

Palm Valley Academy: Week of 2/2-2/8

Good afternoon, PVA families,

We hope this message finds you well as we move through another busy and exciting week at Palm Valley Academy. Thank you, as always, for your continued partnership and support—it truly makes a difference in the experiences we're able to provide our students. Below you'll find important updates, reminders, and highlights from around campus.

One additional note—this week is **National School Counseling Week**, and we are proud to celebrate **Ms. Fennelly and Ms. Frick** for all they do to support our students, staff, and families at PVA. Their compassion, guidance, and dedication help our students navigate academics, friendships, and life's challenges with confidence and care. We are incredibly grateful for the positive impact they make each and every day and extremely lucky to have them both! Thank you, ladies, for all you do!

Have a great week everyone.

GO BOBCATS!

Mr. Strom

PVA Vision Statement

Building purposeful leaders where everyone shines through achievement.

We Pursue Excellence.

We Value All.

We Achieve Success.

We are PVA!

INFO FOR ALL (K-8)

PVA Kindness Campaign Launch: "We Value All"

Palm Valley Academy is excited to launch our 2026 Kindness Campaign. This year's theme, "**We Value All**," comes directly from our PVA mission statement and celebrates our commitment to creating a school where every student feels seen, valued, and included. The campaign is led by our 8th grade WEB leaders and Middle School Sources of Strength leaders. WEB stands for *Where Everyone Belongs*, and these student leaders will be visiting elementary classrooms to guide kindness activities throughout the month. WEB students will also visit 6th grade classrooms to lead this month's character chat focused on caring.

Throughout the campaign, PVA students will take part in daily Kindness Challenges created by the WEB leaders. Students will receive one simple challenge each day to practice throughout the school day. We encourage families to ask their students how they did with the challenge each day and what they noticed as they practiced it. Many classrooms will also participate in their own kindness-centered activities, and we are excited to highlight all that PVA is doing to promote a culture of **caring and valuing** every member of our school community.

Week One: Inclusion & Belonging Challenges

Monday: Greet everyone nicely.

Tuesday: Talk with someone outside your usual friend group.

Wednesday: Include someone new during lunch, recess, or group work.

Thursday: Work as a team and value everyone's ideas.

Friday: Make sure no one around you is left out.

Bobcat Basketball!!

Our basketball season continues this week with an AWAY game Tuesday and then our first HOME game of the season Thursday night against Mill Creek Academy. The girls start at 5:30pm and the boys follow (around 6:30pm). Let's pack the stands and show our Bobcat Pride! 💙🐾

- Tuesday 2/3: AWAY vs. Valley Ridge Academy [GET TICKETS HERE!](#)
- Thursday 2/5: HOME vs. Mill Creek Academy [GET TICKETS HERE!](#)

Also, a heads up... with 8th Grade now going to DC the last week of February, the big home game against Pine Island Academy has been rescheduled to next Monday, February 9th. We want it LOUD, so all PVA students will get in **FREE** for this rivalry game!

- Monday 2/9: HOME vs. Pine Island Academy [GET TICKETS HERE!](#)

Lost & Found Reminder

Our Lost & Found collection is *continuously* growing! All items have been organized and placed on racks just outside the Art Room porch (near the flagpole). Families are welcome to send students to check for missing items or stop by themselves to browse the collection. Please note that all unclaimed items will be donated at the end of next week (2/13), so be sure to take a look soon!

PVA'S BOBCAT BOLT IS ALMOST HERE!

Get ready for PVA's biggest fundraiser of the year!! Our goal is to raise \$100,000 for our school to purchase outdoor equipment like soccer goals, provide our teachers with stellar professional development, fuel our Positive Behavior Incentive program (PBIS), and upgrade technology by purchasing things like much needed student laptops and lab computers.

The elementary Bobcat Bolt run will be on **February 27th** during school. Parents - come out and cheer on your kiddos! The middle school Glow Bolt on **April 10th** will be an awesome evening event to bring us into the end of the year.

Fundraising will happen February 20 - March 1st, with early registration opening on **February 9th**. Please help us support PVA with your participation!



February's Counselor Corner

How fitting that February's Character Counts trait is Caring. Not only does it align with Valentine's day fun, but it also aligns with resiliency traits Empathy and Gratitude. Caring is defined as being kind, compassionate, and considering the feelings of others. Caring also involves forgiving others, expressing gratitude, and showing appreciation to others. This month, PVA kicks off our KINDNESS Campaign. Students will be asked to participate in random acts of kindness throughout the month and to demonstrate caring in school, at home, and in their community. You can find ideas and tips on ways to spread this kind and caring message at home on the attached Parent Resource sheets. Through modeling and conversation, caring and kindness starts with us!!



Chip in for Charity

Palm Valley Academy is participating in The Players Championship Chip in For Charity Fundraising Program. For every ticket sold using our unique code: **817QRP** - PVA PTO will earn \$40 per ticket. Tickets are on sale through February 27, 2026. Tickets purchased through Chip in for Charity must be for Competition Round Days (Thursday-Sunday). Although general tickets are dynamically priced, meaning the cost will increase over time, tickets sold through the Chip-in for Charity Program will remain the same price: Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster [HERE](#); purchase instructions are available [HERE](#) and on the website



MAKE YOUR TICKET COUNT


Purchase a ticket to THE PLAYERS Championship through Chip-in for Charity and \$40 will go directly to

PALM VALLEY ACADEMY PTO: 817QRP

Visit [THEPLAYERS.com/chip-in](https://www.theplayers.com/chip-in) for more details.


PVA Valentine's Grams Are BACK!

PVA Valentine's Grams are back and on sale! Students can spread some love and kindness by sending a Valentine's Gram to friends, teachers, or classmates. Valentine's Grams will be on sale now through February 11, and all proceeds will support our National Junior Honor Society (NJHS). See the flyer below for purchasing details - and thank you for supporting our students and NJHS while helping make Valentine's Day extra special at PVA!



Valentine Gram Order Form

Help spread the **LOVE** through PVA!
February 2-February 11
PVA NJHS are selling Valentine Grams, A box of
Conversation Hearts and a gram!
All Proceeds will benefit Palm Valley NJHS.



Valentine Grams will be delivered on **Friday, February 12th** before school.
COST: One gram = \$1/ CLASS SET (22-24 grams) = \$20

Please fill out the following information COMPLETELY & LEGIBLY


SENDER INFORMATION

Is this a class set of Valentine Grams? CHECK ONE ☐ Yes ☐ No
(Class sets will receive individual boxes and a single class card)

If this is a class set, how many students are in the class _____


How many individual grams are you purchasing? _____
(If you are purchasing several individual grams, you must attach **separate completed messages.**)

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE THE GRAM TO SAY?



To: _____
Homeroom Teacher _____
Grade: _____

From: _____
Message: _____



The Homeroom teacher is your FRIEND'S class, NOT yours! Put the name AND grade level, please!

Write your message exactly as you want it to appear. This card will be cut out and sent to your friend, or your class!

PAYMENT INFORMATION
**Elementary Students please attach payment to this form and return it to your homeroom teacher (teachers place in gold mailbox in the front office).
**Middle School students please attach payment to this form and return to gold mailbox in the front office or Ms. Stofko in room 617.

Last day to turn in forms is Wednesday, February 11th!**

PAYMENT TYPE (Check one): **CHECK PREFERRED (make payable to Palm Valley Academy)
Amount _____ Check # _____ **CASH (No Coins Please)** Amount _____

ELEMENTARY INFO (K-5)

Volunteer for Elementary Lunch Duty

We're looking for family volunteers to help out during **elementary lunch**! Your support makes a big difference in keeping things running smoothly—whether it's assisting with opening snacks, helping students find their seats, or simply being an encouraging presence in the cafeteria. [If you're interested, please sign up HERE!](#) Even just one lunch period helps our staff and brightens our students' day!

MIDDLE SCHOOL INFO (6-8)

8th Grade Families – Baby Pics & Yearbook Ads Due Soon!

It's time to celebrate our Class of 2026! We encourage all 8th grade families to **submit baby photos** and **purchase/create 8th grade tribute ads** for this year's yearbook. This is a special way to honor our students and capture their journey as they prepare to move on from PVA.

The deadline to submit is **February 2nd**, and all orders and uploads are completed through www.buytheyearbook.com.

8th Grade Fence Banners – ORDER TODAY!

Celebrate your 8th grader with a personalized 2'x3' mesh banner that will line the fence at the school entrance! Banners will remain on display throughout the spring, creating a lasting memory for your student's milestone year. This first and second round of ordering at the discounted price has passed, the **FINAL DEADLINE TO PLACE AN ORDER FOR A FENCE BANNER IS FRIDAY, MARCH 13.**

JOIN US FOR PVA PTO'S
SPRING CARNIVAL

— AND FREE COMMUNITY —

EASTER Egg Hunt



BRING YOUR OWN
BAG OR A BASKET!

29 MARCH

PALM VALLEY ACADEMY
700 BOBCAT LANE

1PM-4PM

FUN, INFLATABLES
FOOD, MUSIC

STAGGERED EGG HUNTS START AT 2:00PM AND WILL BE BROKEN INTO 4
HUNTS: PRE-K AND UNDER, GRADES K-1, GRADES 2-3, & GRADES 4+



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PALM VALLEY ACADEMY'S PTO

PBIS CARNIVAL

March 29, 2026 | 1:00 - 4:00PM

**FREE
ENTRY**

**INFLATABLES
FACE
PAINTING**

**MUSIC
EGG
HUNTS**

**FOOD
TRUCKS**

**AND
MORE!**



PTO HAPPENINGS (ALL GRADES)

- **Papa John's Partnership – Support PVA While You Eat!** We're excited to share an easy way for families to support PVA all year long—just by ordering pizza!
 - **All Year Long:** Use code **PVA10** when placing your Papa John's order, and 10% of your purchase will go back to our PTO.It's a simple (and tasty!) way to support our school while enjoying a family meal. Thank you for helping us bring in extra support for our Bobcats!
- Get your **8th Grade Fence Banners** TODAY! Scan the QR code above!
- PTO SPRING CARNIVAL IS COMING UP March 29th! Mark this free community event on your calendars today!

DATES OF NOTE:

- Tuesday, February 3rd
 - MS Basketball @ VRA 5:30/6:30pm
- Wednesday, February 4th
 - MS 1st Wednesday Study Hall after school 2:20-3:20pm
 - Early Release
- Thursday, February 5th
 - MS Basketball **HOME** vs MCA 5:30/6:30pm

On the Radar:

- Monday, February 9th
 - MS Basketball **HOME** vs. PIA 5:30/6:30pm – **STUDENTS IN FOR FREE!**
- Tuesday, February 10th
 - MS Basketball @ Hallows Cove 5:30/6:30pm
- Wednesday, February 11th
 - MS 2nd Wednesday Study Hall 1st Period
 - Early Release
- Thursday, February 12th
 - SAC Meeting 3:45pm
 - MS Basketball **HOME** vs LPA 5:30/6:30pm
- Friday, February 13th
 - Teacher Workday! NO SCHOOL!
 - Lost and Found being donated today!

That's all for this week!

Sincerely,

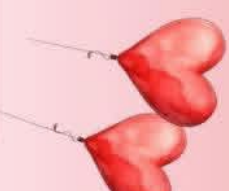
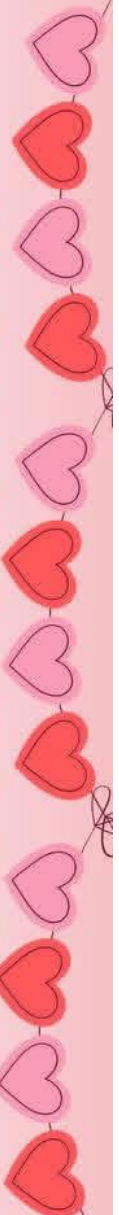
Zach Strom

PVA School Principal

The advertisement for the FortifyFL app features a dark blue background with a white diagonal line. On the left, the FortifyFL logo (a red megaphone) is above the text "FORTIFYFL Suspicious Activity Reporting App". Below this, the text "See suspicious activity at your school? Report it." is displayed. At the bottom left, there are three circular logos: the PVA School Community logo, the PVA School logo, and the PVA School logo. On the right, two smartphones are shown displaying the app's interface. At the bottom right, the text "Visit www.getfortifyfl.com to submit a tip or download the app" is present. The hashtag "#FORTIFYFLORIDA" is at the very bottom.



FEBRUARY 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		MS @ VRA 5:30/6:30		MS Home v MCA 5:30/6:30		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	MS Home v PJA 5:30/6:30 Bobcat Bolt Pre-Registration	MS @ HCA 5:30/6:30		SAC @3:45 MS Home v LPA 5:30/6:30	Teacher Workday No School	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	School Holiday		General PTO Meeting 9 am		Bobcat Bolt Kick Off	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	President's Day		Character Counts Breakfast		Bobcat Bolt!	
8th Grade to DC						





2025-2026
Exceptional Student Education
PARENT SURVEY

Your participation is requested!

The 2025-2026 survey takes less time to complete making it easier for you to provide feedback.

To complete the survey, scan the QR code or visit

bit.ly/ESEParentSurvey

*Use your camera
to scan here!*



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