



The Orbiter



Mission Ready...That's the Pointe!

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:30pm
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Supervision
There is no supervision before 9:15 each day. Please allow your children to remain in your car until this time.

Social-Emotional Learning

The Social Emotional Learning trait for March is self-care. Self-care is defined as a multidimensional, multifaceted process of purposeful engagement in strategies that promote healthy functioning and enhance well-being. In the last year, each of us has needed to take time for ourselves, whether that means reading a book, going for a run, or spending time with family. As individuals, it is very easy to forget to take care of our own well-being because we are so busy taking care of everyone else, but we cannot give what we do not have. Commit this month to taking a couple hours a week to do an activity for yourself. We will be celebrating self-care, school-wide, on Friday, March 26th.

Celebrations

Congratulations to our girls Volleyball team for coming in 1st place in the district! Way to go, lady Rockets! A special thanks to their coaches, Ms. Williams and Ms. VanName, for coaching the team to the top place!

Our PPE Soccer team brought home 2nd place for the district! Great job to all our players and to Coach Ochacher!

Our SLC Fair display won 1st place!

This year's theme is "Schools Shining Bright Under Carnival Lights." We focused on our acts of kindness, with student-created chains of kindness, class photos, kindness quilts, student writing, and fabulous student art of fair animals and foods. Thank you to our fabulous student artists and our art teachers, Mrs. Schott and Mrs. Wessel!

Go to our Facebook page to see pictures of all three celebrations! Way to go, Palm Pointe!



FSA Testing Information

The Florida Department of Education has established April and May windows of dates for administering the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) for Writing, Reading, Math, Science, and End-of-Course Assessments (Civics and Algebra 1). In April, the FSA exam for Reading in grade 3 and FSA Writing for grades 4-8 will be taken. All other exams will take place in May. All students, whether traditional on campus or MySchool Online virtual, will be provided the opportunity to participate in the Spring assessments. Test and exam results are used to measure student proficiency and growth, and these results help to properly place and schedule students the following year into appropriate classes. MySchool Online virtual students will be notified of participation details soon, as all tests must be taken on campus. The safety and health of each and every student is paramount to us. Please know that strict protocols and procedures are in place as we host MySchool Online students for state testing. Students will be greeted upon drop off, and supervised at all times. We understand and recognize that this may be their first time on campus this year and we will do all we can to make your child comfortable and feel welcomed and safe. Safe social distancing will be maintained. Students must always wear a mask and sanitizer will be utilized. Students will be encouraged to bring their own water bottles. Students will enter the building through a stairway not normally for student use. Students will be tested in one of two smaller groups in separate campus classrooms that have been and will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized before and after each time the room is used. Students will be in testing locations that are not regular instructional classrooms and, therefore, will not be interacting with traditional school students on campus. Adherence to the St. Lucie Public Schools' *Safe Return to School Plan* will be followed. Specific details of testing dates and times for all students will follow soon.

Citizen of the Month for February 2021

Although we are unable to hold live ceremonies, we want to be sure to recognize students each month for being an outstanding citizen. One student in each homeroom was chosen and recognized in class by their teacher. These students were selected based on Palm Pointe's School-wide Expectations: **Take Responsibility, Engage in Your Learning, Act Respectfully, Make Safe Choices, and for demonstrating the SEL theme for the month.** Congratulations to:

KINDERGARTEN: Giuliana Migliore, Adyson Maldonado, Abigail Menendez, Savanna Victor, Sydney Kelleher, Sadie Beland, Jayden Blasco, Cale Hancock, Michael Guzak, Karsen Lasseter

FIRST GRADE: Baylee Chambers, Stephen D'Argenio, Rodney Gaudin, Benjamin Nelson, Andrew Skursky, Brynn Roros, Alex Bonilla, Richard Kowalski, Xejehes Goffe

SECOND GRADE: Taelyn Spencer, Charlotte Haupt, Nathan Alguire, Catcher Perez, Megan Lulkin, Vance Wessel, Harsh Patel, Adriana Jackson

THIRD GRADE: Noah Lyons, Alexander Brown, Briley Gordon, Izabella Stoyanova, Isabella Tran, Tresean Briggs, Anna Wilhelm, Lorenzo Mangual, Kingston Timothee

FOURTH GRADE: Kieran Dodson, Sebastian Barrios, Isabella Diaz, Timothy Parades Alvarez, Isabel Menendez, Layla Moises, Parker Lehman, Gianna Horne Swick, Parker Lehman, Brianna Hudson

FIFTH GRADE: Naomi Joseph, Nael Francois, Emory Harper, Isabella Silva, Andrea Garrido, Sarah Sylvester, Michael Gnofo, Lucas Alguire

SIXTH GRADE: Nakodge Nydez Malone, Jaycee Mead, Danasia Batson-Phinn, Ashton Dimart, Lucas Cruzado, Jeanna Jones, Zoe Walden, Mia Campanella, Aaron Dippolito, Naicha Guerrier, Naima Guerrier, Matthew De La Cruz, Nydez Jackson Malone

SEVENTH GRADE: Jacob Gomez, Ava Kohn, Eddy Romero, Jocelyn Hatfield, Nylah Jones, Dario Hernandez, Findley Wessel, Kayleigh Murnane, Samaya Williams, Jayden McGregor

EIGHTH GRADE: Aidan Hagel, Esteban Gomes Lopez, Ashley Velasquez, Keegan Kern, Aundrea Suarez, Asia Chuong, Julia Wilmoth, Crystal Smith, Ava Booth

Mark Your Calendar

On early dismissal days, school ends at **2:10 pm**. The dates for the year are as follows: **3/12, 4/28, 6/3 and 6/4**

School will be closed for Spring Break from March 15-19. Students will return to school March 22.



Please wear a UNIFORM BLUE SHIRT on Friday, March 26th 2021, to raise awareness for Self-Care across Palm Pointe.

Students must remain in school uniform Please wear a BLUE UNIFORM SHIRT (Spirit or Collared Only)



Spring Virtual Book Fair

Our Virtual Spring Book Fair is up and running. This year, we are holding our Book Fair virtually, so that students and families can enjoy this experience from the safety and comfort of their homes. Palm Pointe will receive 25 percent of the proceeds and the funds earned will be used to buy our Sunshine State Reader Books and other great titles to add to our Media Center. Our fair runs from March 1st to March 14th. Families will browse over 6,000 books through our Palm Pointe Scholastic site. Books ship right to your front door and orders of \$25.00 or more receive free shipping. To access our Book Fair, go to: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/palmpointe>

Daily Home Screening Tool & Health/Safety Procedures

As a reminder, parents must use the Daily Home Screening Tool to assess their child's health every morning. Any student displaying any of the symptoms listed must stay home to protect the safety and well-being of others. While at school, if your child reports to the clinic exhibiting one of the symptoms on the screening tool, parents will be called to pick up their child and he/she must stay home until symptom free for 24 hours. A copy of this daily tool can be found at: <https://www.stlucie.k12.fl.us/pdf/DailyHomeScreening.pdf> Please continue to send your student to school with a clean face covering, a spare mask stored in a baggie in the bookbag, and a refillable water bottle each day. **If someone in your family tests positive for COVID-19 or is awaiting test results, we ask that you please keep your child at home and contact Mr. Keelor at (772) 345-3245.**

Conveniently purchase PPE planners, ear buds, spirit shirts, face masks, mask lanyards, and sweatshirts online! →

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 C	2 D 1st Grade Virtual Family Event 6:00-7:00pm	3 E Virtual Book Store Begins	4 F	5 G No Dress Code Day to Support March of Dimes (must have and wear pre-purchased lanyard to participate)	6
7	8 A	9 B	10 C Gr. 3 Mock FSA Reading Assessment	11 D 8th Grade Family Night -Spotlight on High School- 5:00PM	12 E Early Dismissal Day End of 3rd Nine Weeks 1:30 TCUS Mtg School Wide PBS Events Virtual Book Store Ends	13
14	15 Spring Break March 15-19	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 F	23 G	24 A	25 B 8:50 SAC Mtg	26 C SEL Activity Day Wear your blue uniform shirt to celebrate National Self-Care Day	27
28	29 D Focus on Forever Spring Pictures	30 E	31 F Citizen of the Month students recognized		Clubs: Boys Basketball - T & Th, 4:20-5:45 Comic Art Club: T & Th, 8:15 AM-9:15 AM Book Explorers: Th, 8:15 AM-9:15 AM (ends 3/11)	