

The Panther Press

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Pine View Middle School

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PVMS Mission Statement:

Our mission is to provide a rigorous, world-class education which inspires students to become active, compassionate, and collaborative lifelong learners who understand and respect other people and their differences.

Learner Profile of the Month: Thinkers

As a PVMS Family, we will focus on a different Learner Profile (a trait that we strive to display to become the best people possible) every month. For September, we are focusing on being *Thinkers*. We are *Thinkers* when we use both critical and creative thinking to approach complex problems. We understand that sometimes there are no simple answers. PVMS staff members have orange #IBSTRONG tickets that they are giving out throughout the month to students who are displaying that they are *Thinkers*. Teachers will also be choosing students for "Student of the Month" who are an example to others in exemplifying that they are *Thinkers*. We encourage students to wear orange on Fridays during the September to represent our Learner Profile of the month.

You will see signs displaying the Learner Profiles throughout the school. The profiles are also posted above the white board in each classroom. Teachers have a second set of magnetic Learner Profiles that will make it easier to highlight which Profiles are relevant to the current classroom activity.

The MYP Community Project is coming to PVMS!

The MYP Community Project provides Year 3 students an important opportunity to collaborate and pursue service learning. This project is student-driven, student-centered, age-appropriate and a unique opportunity for students to engage in an exploration to pursue a topic or cause that they are passionate about while reflecting on and applying the skills they have learned through their time in the MYP at PVMS.

Upcoming Events:

Pink Out every Wednesday!

September-

*National Hispanic Heritage
Month*

- 9/17 Constitution Day
- 9/18 PVMS Volleyball v. PBSMS (@PBSMS)
- 9/19 PVMS Football v. Pasco (@LOLHS)
- 9/25 Celebrate Freedom Week
- 9/26 PVMS Football v. JLMS (@WRHS) (6:30pm)
- 9/28 PVMS Volleyball v. JLMS @ PVMS (6:00pm)

****See our Student spotlight section on page 5!**

Disaster needs:

Pasco has been declared eligible for Federal support due to Hurricane Irma. If approved, resources can be accessed quickly at <https://www.disasterassistance.gov/address-lookup>.

What is the Middle Years Programme (MYP)?



The MYP is a student centered, inquiry based, globally focused framework of teaching and learning. Students reflect on their learning in their classes and apply it to real world situations in their neighborhood, state, country and world. Students in MYP schools are enrolled in eight subjects throughout the school year: Arts (performing or visual), Design (Graphic Arts, Cooking, Technology and/or Agriculture), Individuals and Societies (Social Studies), Language Acquisition (Foreign Language), Language and Literature (English/Language Arts), Math, Physical and Health Education and Science.

What is the current state of the MYP? What will happen in the future?

PVMS applied to be a Candidate School in April of 2015 and was approved the following month. Because we are a Candidate School, we are authorized to implement the Middle Years Programme until we apply to become an authorized World School, which we are doing this school year. Candidate schools make consistent steps over time toward the ultimate goal of becoming an IB World School. Every candidate school is assigned an IB consultant, and ours will be visiting PVMS at the beginning of October for a pre-authorization visit. She will then send her recommendations to the IB. At that point, a team of professionals from the IB will visit PVMS to determine that we have met all the requirements needed to become an IB World School. We should receive an answer shortly after the team from the IB visits the school. If you have any questions about this process, or would like to learn more, please don't hesitate to contact our MYP Coordinator, Becky Cardinale at rcardina@pasco.k12.fl.us.

MYP Parent Council

It's not too late to be part of our MYP Parent Council! The MYP Parent Council is a newly formed group that will be meeting throughout the year and will be representing PVMS Parents when the visiting team from the International Baccalaureate comes to the school both in October and then after Winter Break. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email our MYP Coordinator, Becky Cardinale at rcardina@pasco.k12.fl.us.

What's happening at PVMS?

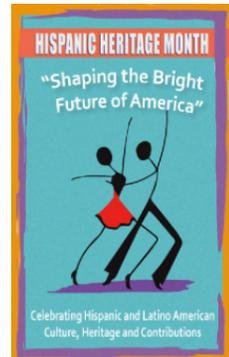
ExploraVision is coming to PVMS for Year 3 Science Students

Year 3 Sciences have kicked off the 2017 ExploraVision Competition. ExploraVision provides students, working in small groups, the opportunity to delve into real world problems, develop critical thinking and communication skills, do meaningful research and consult with scientists and researchers. Students will expand their imaginations and creativity, while they develop interests in science and technology and have the opportunity to earn national recognition and monetary rewards. Check out <http://www.exploravision.org/> for more information and examples of past winning projects.



September is Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is an official U.S. observance. The month is a time to learn about and recognize the “histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America” according to the Library of Congress. Please see more information at www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/about



Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated between September 15 and October 15. The start date was carefully chosen for its cultural relevance. September 15th is Independence Day for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Also during the month-long period are Mexico and Chile's independence days.

Lyndon Johnson was the first president to make an official government celebration 49 years ago, when he started Hispanic Heritage Week. President Ronald Reagan expanded it to be Hispanic Heritage Month.

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated in a myriad of ways, from parades to concerts to food fairs. Please see the video at <http://abc7.com/society/celebrating-hispanic-heritage-month/2411981/>

Holocaust Museum

In conjunction with our summer reading of *Night* and our current Culture & Belonging unit, Year 3 students will be visiting the St. Pete Holocaust Museum with their teams on September 26th, 27th, and 28th, 8:30am-2:30pm each day. **Students need to remember to dress nicely and bring their lunches.** We are looking forward to this experience as a way to bring literature and history to life and to understand a dark time in our global past in order to be positive change for the future.

Constitution Day and Freedom Week



Federal legislation (Federal Public L. 108-447) requires educational institutions to recognize **Constitution Day** in their instructional program on September 17 each year by commemorating the original signing of the *U.S. Constitution* on September 17, 1787. **This year it will be recognized on September 18th, when students are in school.** As the foundation of our nation, the *Constitution* provides the framework of government for our country through its seven articles and further outlines citizens' rights in Amendments I-XXVII.

September 25th-29 is Celebrate Freedom Week. Students are encouraged to gain knowledge of the sacrifices made for freedom during the founding of our country and the values on which it was founded. Florida Statute 1003.421 designates the last full week of classes in September as Celebrate Freedom Week. The statute directs schools to educate students about the sacrifices made for freedom in the founding of this country, as well as the values on which this country was founded. Celebrate Freedom Week must include an in-depth study of the intent, meaning, and importance of the *Declaration of Independence*. In order to focus attention on the importance of this week, school principals and teachers shall conduct a daily oral recitation by students of the following section of the *Declaration of Independence*:

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

#IBInvolved

Student Spotlight

This month, we highlight Year 3 students **Jessica and Sarah Harris and former Panther Katelyn Harris (LOLHS c/o 2017)**. Jessica, Sarah, Katelyn and their family helped evacuate three Tampa Assisted Living Facilities to Orlando. Six facilities in total. It was approximately 1000 people. Sarah, Jessica and Katelyn worked about 12 hours a day since last Thursday helping with the residents. They seriously were life savers.

Years 1 and 2 students, **Vaughn and Zane Sheehan** and **Peter Trzeciak** and their families answered a call for help from Frogmore Farms in Dade City and helped save over 900 blueberry plants from being destroyed by Hurricane Irma.

THANK YOU to our Panthers! You truly demonstrate the heart and soul of an IB Learner by your kind and selfless acts! #IBPrincipled #IBCaring #IBStrong

Music Notes



Advanced Band Middle School Night

Middle School Night for Advanced Band is October 20th at LOLHS. Our middle school Advanced Band will be performing with the Gator Band for a high school football game!

Advanced Band and Year 3 Music Students:

Advanced Band and Year 3 Music students are invited to attend the Florida Orchestra Field Trip at the Wesley Chapel Center for the Arts on October 19th. Cost to attend is \$12.00. Please make sure to submit all field trip paperwork and money to Mrs. Richardson no later than October 12, 2017.

Year 3 End of Year Activities



It may seem early, but now is the time to begin thinking about the end of your child's middle school experience. We have several promotional activities planned. We will highlight details of the activities throughout the school year.

Friday, May 18, 2018: Year 3 Universal Studios/Islands of Adventure's Gradventure

Wednesday, May 23, 2018: Year 3 Dance

Thursday, May 24, 2018: Year 3 Awards

Thursday, May 24, 2018: Year 3 Lunch/Field Day

Yearbooks!

Ms. Fromm is the new Yearbook advisor this year. She is excited to be in this role and is ready to make the 2017-2018 yearbook the best ever

Have a great pic?? Tweet it to @PVMSPawPrints

Want a yearbook?

- Purchase for \$30 now! Price will increase in January.
- You can purchase your yearbook through Acorn.



Picture Day- Smile!

Picture Day has been rescheduled to October 25th. Make ups will be on December 6th.

Join Remind! Class Remind Codes



Want to be in the know as to what's going on in your child's class? Join Remind!

Class of 2022 (Year 3 Students and Families): Text @pvms2022 to 81010

Class of 2023 (Year 2 Students and Families): Text @pvms2023 to 81010

Class of 2024 (Year 1 Students and Families): Text @pvms2024 to 81010

Odyssey of the Mind at PVMS

Enjoy thinking outside the box? **Join Odyssey of the Mind!** Joining an Odyssey of the Mind team provides you with the opportunity to learn creative problem solving, teamwork and self-reliance while having fun solving a problem and creating a presentation with your own ideas and those of your team mates. Although you have a coach to support and advise you, all the ideas and the work on the solution comes from the team members. It all culminates in a multi-school competition in late February/early March and a chance for the highest scored teams to compete at the state level in Orlando. Interested students can complete the form at: <http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/wp-content/uploads/pvms/2017/08/PVMS-OM-2017-2018-flyer.pdf>

Dairy Queen Spirit Nights @ the Ballantrae Dairy Queen



The Dairy Queen @ Ballantrae has partnered with PVMS to give back to our school!

Who: All PVMS families and friends

What: Enjoy a Dairy Queen treat and help PVMS

When: September 28th from 5-7pm

October 12th from 5-7 pm

November 2nd from 5-7 pm

Where: Dairy Queen at Ballantrae. 17826 Aprile Drive, Lutz, FL 33558

Why: Your support will help our Year 3 families who need assistance with end of year activities

Dairy Queen will donate 10% of ALL non drive-thru sales.

FFA Updates:



9/27- Sunbelt Ag Expo Field Trip money and forms due (\$80)

9/28- Chapter Officer Leadership Training @ Haines City

10/5 - FFA Member Meeting 3-4

10/17 - Food Science CDE team practice 3-345

10/19 - Sunbelt Ag Expo Field Trip to Moultrie GA

10/24 - Food Science CDE practice 3-345

10/31 - Food Science CDE practice 3-345

Chapter Officers:

President - Autumn Gaddie

Vice President - David Aprile

Secretary - Gianna Suarez

Treasurer - Joanne Curran

Reporter- Kyla Sterner

Sentinel - Reese McCandrew

Chaplin - Jade Riverol

Student Advisor- Jana Swank

Chapter Exhibitors:

Athena (Goat) - Joanne Curran

Solei (Goat)- Alexandra Brown

Rabbits (Coco & Cinnamon)- Reese

McCandrew

Pepper (Horse)- Jana Swank

Heifer- Autumn Gaddie

Chickens - Peyton McKenzie

Three other rabbits (Midnight, Thumper,

Willow) still available for

exhibitors/Caretaker

Agriculture Department:

9/20-10/30- Woodwick Candle Fundraiser

Money and Forms due 10/30

They will be here in time for Christmas

Presents :)

NJHS



Congratulations to the following students who have been accepted into the National Junior Honor Society! The Induction Ceremony will be on October 24th beginning promptly at 1:15 in the gym at PVMS.

Year 2:

Allen, Benjamin

Allen, Olivia

Amedy, Charles

Barbro, Payton

Bordelon, Sarah

Brown, Ashley

Chundi, Krishnavamsi

Detuccio, Kaitlyn

Dicicco, Ashlen

Domingo, Audrey

Dunn, Andrew

Eisenberg, Jules

Farnell, Victoria

Hodieme, Corey

Kress, Alexis

Kunzweiler, Sydney

Lefante, Kyle

Luker, Emma

Quigley, Zoe

Ray, Nolan

Spencer, Jadyne

Trzeciak, Patrick

Vinson, Tabitha

Walsh, Lily

Year 3:

Alejandro, David

Bordelon, Jordan

Freire, Andrew

Hildebrand, Maranda

Lebsack, Davis

Scharfeld, Skylar

Swank, Jana

Board Game Club

Starting in October, students will be meeting after school twice a month to socialize as they play board games/cards such as Life, Clue, Ticket to Ride, Chess, UNO, or Phase 10. The Board Game Club will meet from 3:00pm to 4:00om on Tuesdays.

Please contact Ms. Gay in guidance if you are interested in the club (you will need a permission form) or if you have any gently used board games that you would like to donate to the club.

Support our supporters!

A HUGE thank you to our local businesses who support us. If you own a business or know of one who would like to support our school, please contact [Becky Cardinale](#).

Thank you to our supporters:

The Law Offices of Lucas/Magazine- Thank you for providing gift cards for our students of the month!

Florida Hospital Wesley Chapel- Thank you for providing wrist bands for our students of the month!

JB's Sweet Addictions- Thank you for providing us with a generous donation toward our service t-shirts!

McDonald's- Land O'Lakes (and partner restaurants)- Thank you for providing certificates for our students of the month!

PVMS Social Media and Helpful Links

Instagram: pvmsmyp

Twitter: @pineviewmiddle

Facebook: Pine View Middle School

Snapchat: pvmsibmyp

School Website: <http://pvms.pasco.k12.fl.us/>

*Be sure to check out the IB MYP tab for everything IB!

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