

St. Johns County School District



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Dear PVPV/Rawlings Families,

We are so excited to welcome you back for the 2017-18 school year, and to welcome our new students into the sea turtle nest! Here at *the school by the sea with an orange grove*, we are honored to represent the St. Johns County School District, ranked the top school district in Florida nine years running. We set high expectations that are consistently exceeded by our students, our highly skilled faculty and staff, as well as our wonderful parents, PTO volunteers and Community Partners. Here is some information to help us all prepare for the upcoming school year:

Meet Your Teacher will be held **Wednesday, August 9th**, from 8:00-11:00 am. Your new teacher will send you an email the day before (Tues., Aug. 8th) between 4:00 and 6:00 pm. When you come to see your classroom and meet your teacher the next morning, bring school supplies with you, so you can start strong the **first day of school, Thurs., Aug. 10th!**

Reminder for **kindergarten** parents: the first day for kindergarten students is **Tues., Aug. 15th!** We will implement a flexible first week schedule as approved by the School Board. Every kindergarten child will be scheduled for a one-hour session with his or her teacher Thurs. (8/10) through Mon. (8/14). Parents will sign up for their session during *Meet Your Teacher*.

Meet Your Teacher is sponsored this year by Lazzara Orthodontics, one of our outstanding Community Partners. When you come on Wednesday, be sure to swing by your respective Cafeteria to be welcomed by our Community Partners and our **amazing PTO**. They will have all you need for a successful year, including school spirit wear, student planners (grades 3-5), Sunshine State Book ordering information, and PTO membership and volunteer opportunities.

The school district's **Transportation Department** will have representatives in the Cafeterias as well, to answer questions. Potential bus riders will receive a postcard from the Transportation Department the week before school starts. If you have additional questions about buses, visit the school website or call the Transportation Department at 547-7810.

For **car riders**, Kindergarten through 2nd graders are dropped off in front of the PV building. For dismissal, the K and 1st graders are picked up at PV, and the 2nd graders are picked up at the front of Rawlings. The 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are dropped off and picked up in front of Rawlings. If you have children attending both schools, please drop off and pick up at the PV building.

Student Safety Information Needed! If your child has any medical concerns, please visit or contact our school nurses Kim Webb (PV) at 547-3824 or Cindy Masley (Rawlings) at 547-3834. Also, any court-ordered custody paperwork needs to be brought during *Meet Your Teacher* to the front office of the building that your child attends.

To register for our **Extended Day Program**, visit the PVPV/Rawlings website and under Extended Day, you will be able to print the brochure and registration form, or you may request one from the Rawlings front office. Please register as soon as possible; spaces are limited and registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Extended Day is open in the mornings from 7:00 – 8:00 and in the afternoons from dismissal until 6:00 pm. Morning Extended Day is located in the PV Media Center and Computer Lab. Our afternoon program is located in the Rawlings Media Center, Computer Lab, classrooms and outside Fitness Fields. Our students are supported with completing homework and extended learning opportunities. The goals for our students are to be in a safe and nurturing environment which extends their learning day, and includes outside fitness time. Please contact Lynda Wing, our Extended Day coordinator, with any questions at 874-7774.

After-School Enrichment Programs will also be available, and information about these fee-based programs can be found at the Extended Day Link on our website.

The Home Access Center (aka HAC) will be turned off until August 10th. If you try to log in before that, it will appear your log-in credentials are incorrect. Please wait to log in until August 10th. The Home Access Center offers parents the opportunity to monitor their child's academic performance for grades 3rd-5th. New 4th and 5th grade parents as well as all 3rd grade parents need to be sure to register for HAC on the school website at www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us after August 10th. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact our Registrar Pam Nelson at 547-8568 or pam.nelson@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

School Hours will remain the same. The school day will start at 8:30 and end at 2:50. Student supervision begins at 8:10. If children need to arrive prior to 8:10, they must participate in the early morning care provided through the Extended Day Program. Ideally, students are in classrooms and ready to learn by 8:25. The school day will end at 2:50 on M, T, TH, F. Remember, EVERY WEDNESDAY is early release at 1:50 p.m.

School lunch is available every day in our Cafeterias for \$2.80. Our Food Service Program will offer a consistent and nutritious menu. The St. Johns County monthly lunch and breakfast menu will be sent via email in our parent newsletter *The Wave*. On the free app *School by Nutrislice*, you can select our district and school to see the daily menu and monitor your child's lunch account. Please visit our website and click on PayPAMS for more information. Parents are welcome to join their child for lunch Monday through Thursday; there is a table designated for parents and their students.

Classroom volunteering is important to our success! We invite parents to join in supporting our students' education by participating as classroom volunteers. Opportunities for volunteering will be explained at our **Open House** scheduled for **Aug. 30th for K, 2nd and 4th** and **Aug. 31st for 1st, 3rd and 5th**. All visitors to the school *must* be approved by the District. Please visit our website to complete the School Access Form.

We can't wait to see you all and hear about your summer adventures!

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