

The WAVE

March 2021



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PVPV (904) 547-3820

Letter From the Principal

Greetings Turtle Families!

We are approaching the year anniversary of the start of the current pandemic-era of education. I know I've said this countless times before, but it bears repeating that I'm so proud of our students, our staff, our teachers, and our entire community for the way we have all sacrificed to overcome the many obstacles the pandemic has brought our way for the sake of our students. While the medical advances and vaccinations seem to suggest that there is a light at the end of the proverbial tunnel, we continue to diligently remain focused on washing our hands, wearing our masks, and maintaining social distancing when possible until we are sure the virus has stopped spreading. It has been a very inspiring year to be a part of this school during these times and I am grateful for all of you as we commit to beating this virus, together.

There are signs, of course, that "normal" is returning. The return of the Players Championship, even at limited capacity, is a perfect example of this. We know how important this event is for members of our community and share in the excitement for its return. In addition to this wonderful event, we have our virtual Carnival with the raffle baskets and the silent auction taking place as well as our well-deserved (albeit shortened) Spring Break from March 17th to the 19th. For Character Counts, we will recognize the important pillar of Trustworthiness.

Finally, I want to let you know that Early Registration is now open for next school year. Registering early helps our school and district prepare for next year and is highly encouraged. Thank you!

Sincerely

Dr. Gates

MARCH

dates
to Remember



17th



17-19th Spring Break

22nd Classes Resume for Students

25th Kid of Character- Trustworthiness

April 2nd Student/Teacher Holiday



Rawlings phone calls, emails, notes, etc.-
Rawlings Receptionist, Mel Intemann, 547-
8570 Melissa.Intemann@stjohns.k12.fl.us

PV phone calls, emails, notes, etc.-
PV Receptionist, Anne Rubocki, 547-3820
Anne.Rubocki@stjohns.k12.fl.us



Lost & Found:

If your child has lost something, they may look in our "Lost & Found" areas on the Cafeteria stage at either school or their front office lobbies. Items not picked up will be donated at the end of the school year.



New Student Registration Open 2021-2022 School Year

<https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/student/enrollment/>



Kindergarten and new students register early!

Voluntary Pre-K: A child must be four years old on or before September 1st.

Kindergarten: A child must be five years old on or before September 1st.

First Grade: A child must be six years old on or before September 1st AND satisfy one of the following:

- Satisfactory completion of kindergarten in a Florida public school.
- Satisfactory completion of kindergarten in a non-public school.
- Previous attendance in an out-of-state school in which the student was admitted on the basis of age requirements established by the state of residency.

Registration Requirements:

- Proof of Residency.
- Proof of Immunization.
- Copy of Birth Certificate.
- Physical/Health Exam within 12 months of enrollment.





Angie's list.
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COASTAL LUXURY OUTDOORS

Kevin & Karyn Carroll started Coastal Luxury Outdoors in 2012 with the vision of creating high-quality, beautiful outdoor spaces that families in our community could enjoy for years to come. Instead of using normal advertising channels, they have chosen to spend those dollars to sponsor local schools and organizations in our community. 6 years ago, they became an official Community Partner of the school's largest fundraiser, The Turtle Trot. Their two sons, Casey & Keegan both have attended PV/PV Rawlings Elementary since Kindergarten and the Carroll family loves the school, teachers, staff and families they have grown to know over the years.

Coastal Luxury Outdoors' specialty is pools! They design, build, service and maintain them. They enjoy and appreciate the continued relationship they have with their clients through their weekly maintenance/service division.





Congratulations to Ethan Rozen, in Mrs. LaMonica's fifth grade class, for winning the "Daughters of the American Revolution" essay contest on the Boston Massacre!

We are thrilled for Ethan and look forward to honoring him with the state certificate and American History Medal at the April meeting.

A "Turtley Awesome" Fact:

Ethan's brother, Lincoln, was chosen as the 6th grade winner from Landrum Middle School! What an accomplished family!



CONGRATULATIONS to our February Kids of Character! **CARING**



KINDERGARTEN

Jonah Hatfield
Hadley Kelly
Edie White
Brooks Johnston
Crosby Winters
Pasquale DeMartino
Sophia Schmidt
Sidney Johnson
Bria Spencer-Gardner

FIRST GRADE

Theodore Cleek
Emma Berquist
Claire Bingham
Jana Mae Jarrett
Rory Wandell
Max Bromiley
Avery Veleber
Autumn Fenn
Rhea Farmand

SECOND GRADE

Joe Rubocki
Mason Dorman
Reese Marburger
Edie Woodard
Vann Latina
Sydney Phillips
Lillian Peterson
Juliet Johnson
Michael Orr

THIRD GRADE

Reagan Mandeville
Piper Kenning
Reid Miranda
Liana Yerkin
Keegan Carroll
Sara Chapnick
Devon Hardy
Sevi Neumayer
Coco Norris

FOURTH GRADE

Whit Clark
Sophia Vitale
Zane Woods
Anderson Brady
Taylor Alt
Cassandra Clark
Iyla Vaughan
Liam Hanyecz

FIFTH GRADE

Cooper Combs
Sophie Kimber
Kayla Hughes
Emily Peterson
Emily Hightower
Brayden Slucker
Londen Parrish
Jocelyn Hixson
Ella Galen
Anna Graves

PVPV RESOURCE/ACE

Kieran Caffrey
Anna Rowlands

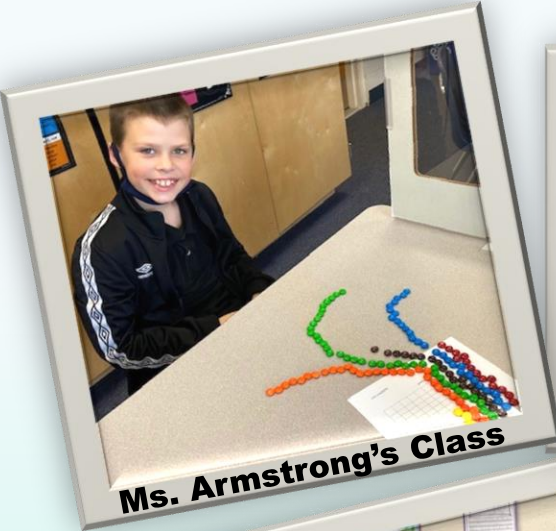
RAWLINGS RESOURCE/ACE

James Huveltdt
Nelson Silverio





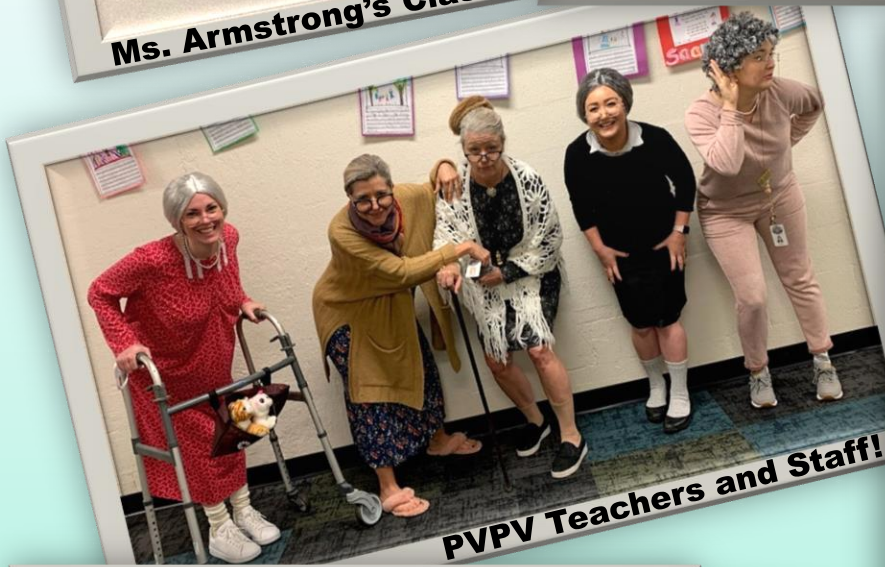
Ms. Armstrong's Class



Ms. Armstrong's Class



Ms. Caldwell's Class



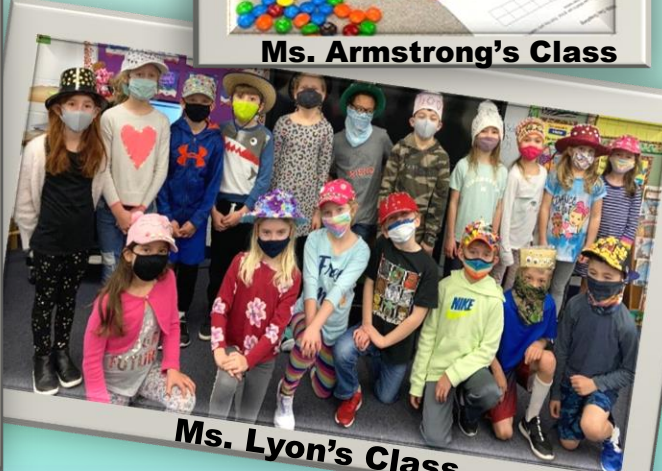
PVPV Teachers and Staff!



Ms. Armstrong's Class



Ms. Huston's Class



Ms. Lyon's Class



****Please be sure to provide your child with a refillable water bottle daily.** Due to covid, the fountains are only for bottle filling. Thank you for your help!**



From the Clinic:

Both the PV and Rawlings clinics need donations of elastic-waist bottoms (leggings, shorts, sweats) for boys and girls, as well as new packages of underwear.

School Hours

8:00 – Doors Open
8:15 – First Bell: Students report to class
8:20 – Morning Announcements
8:25 – Tardy Bell



Don't Forget!
Early Release is
1:45 every
Wednesday

After 8:25 - Please park your car and walk your child into the office and sign them in.

Dismissal Reminders:

Transportation Changes & Early Pickups:

Please arrange transportation changes and early pickups **before 2:00 (1:00 on Wed).** **Please notify the front office if you have transportation changes for your child.** This makes dismissal much smoother in the afternoon if we know where students are supposed to be. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

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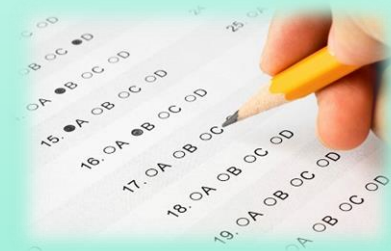
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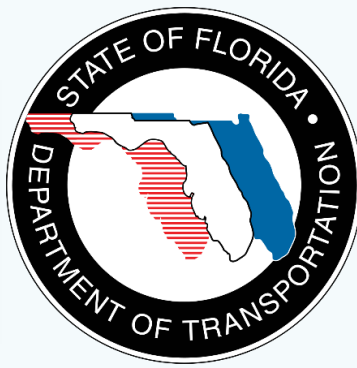


A Message from the St. Johns County School District:

Florida Department of Education does not allow districts to provide a virtual testing option for the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA), **Florida Standards Alternative Assessment (FSAA)**, or EOC's for the 2020-2021 school year. According to the state Department of Education, "We are not considering remote proctoring or at-home testing for any of Florida's K-12 summative or postsecondary assessments in 2020-21". The Florida Department of Education has in the past stated that by statute, "Participation in the assessment program is mandatory for all school districts and all students attending public schools..."

St. Johns County School District does not have the statutory authority to exempt any student from required, state developed assessments, except as specified in Section 1008.212, F.S. which primarily addresses students with physical impairment or children who have a medical complexity as defined in Section 1008.22(9) F.S.





We are happy to inform you all that the two 1st place winners of the **Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), “Bike Lane Design Contest,”** have had their designs installed onto the street at the intersection of A1A and PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School! It’s amazing to see the transformation from the student’s design on paper to the actual street! The FDOT maintenance team did their best to replicate the detailed designs of these students. Congratulations to Ona Broussard, Ms. Sloan’s 2nd grade class and Atlas Danis, Ms. Hanekamp’s 5th grade class, for winning 1st place! It’s always AWESOME to have our students be a part of this FUN celebration of transportation!

Congratulations Ona & Atlas!

Ona Broussard

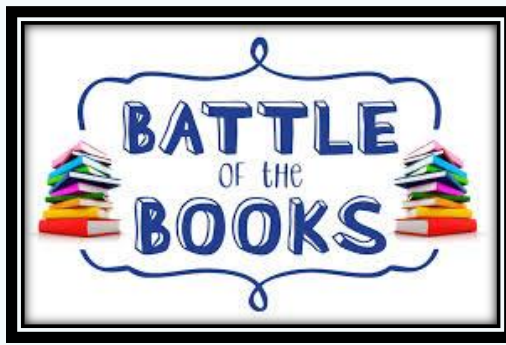


They were installed on Feb. 17, 2020 on the south side of the crosswalk (1 on the Northbound side and 1 on the Southbound side) at the intersection of A1A and PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School.

Atlas Danis



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Congratulations, to the following students, that have been selected to be on our school "*Battle of the Books*" team! These students will compete in the district's virtual battle on March 11, 2021. Battle of the Books is an exciting reading competition for 3rd, 4th & 5th grade students where school teams must match a book quote to the correct Sunshine State Young Readers Award Book.

2021 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS TEAM:

Maggie Black, Hastings

Quinn Faircloth, Zerrahn

Anna Graves, Zerrahn

Kate Hurford, Gard

Ben Kartzmark, Rosberg

Kemin Shang, Hastings

Luke Zarczynski, LaMonica

Congratulations and Good Luck!





SUMMER MARINE SCIENCE PROGRAM

DO NOT MISS OUT! ONLY 2 SESSIONS!



Parents/Guardians,
Application directions for the summer Marine Science Program were passed out by science teachers at all schools during the week of February 10th. Parents/guardians must complete part 1 of the application at our website. Application student essays, part 2, will be due back to science teachers by March 5th. Student essay forms can also be downloaded at any time from the website. Distance learners must return their essay to their teacher through Schoology or email. Please visit us at <http://www-grms.stjohns.k12.fl.us/> and click on the Marine Science link. The link also will have a complete day by day curriculum for each grade level, parent information, and a video from last year's program.

This summer program is available to all students currently in grades five through seven and has been sponsored by the school district since 1982. Hurry do not miss out, only two eight-day sessions are held at Gamble Rogers Middle School with bus transportation provided. The dates for the sessions this summer will be June 14th through June 24th and June 28th through July 8th (Monday-Thursday). Small classes of 12-15 students are separated by grade level. All instructors in the program are St. Johns County School District teachers.

The Marine Science Program is a carefully designed experience for responsible students who are interested in learning about our local marine environments. Learning is "hands on" in the field with students kayaking, canoeing, boating, hiking, snorkeling, sailing, windsurfing, surfing, SUP, (stand up paddle boarding), etc.

More information about the program can be had by emailing Kristina Bransford at marinescienceprogram@stjohns.k12.fl.us.



COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT!

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Lazzara Orthodontics has been a long time Community Partner with PVPV/Rawlings. This year, Lazzara Orthodontics is the Title Sponsor of both the annual Spring Carnival and the annual Fifth Grade Talent Show. We are extremely grateful for their support of our school! The Virtual Spring Carnival presented by Lazzara Orthodontics is around the corner!!

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**Congratulations to the "Celebrate Literacy Week"
Bookmark Winners!**

Kindergarten - Sidney Johnson, Everett Conrad, Blakley Somensatto

1st Grade - Kate Beshany, Vivienne Whittle, Rory Wandell

2nd Grade - Reese Marburger, Quinn Ekdahl, Gavin Garrow

3rd Grade - Poppy Smyth, Piper Ross, Jayleen Lopez-Tapia

4th Grade - Cambree Gavlik, Kingston Krause, Rosalind Lee

5th Grade - A.J. Estrada, Anna Graves, Anabelle Sonntag

Kindergarten

Sidney Johnson	
Everett Conrad	
Blakely Somensatto	

CELEBRATE
LITERACY WEEK,
FLORIDA!



1st Grade

**Kate
Beshany**



**Vivienne
Whittle**

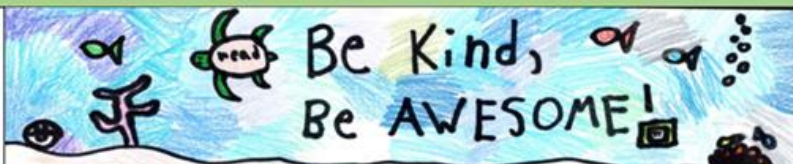


**Rory
Wandell**



2nd Grade

**Reese
Marburger**



**Quinn
Ekdahl**



**Gavin
Garrow**





3rd Grade

**Poppy
Smyth**

Reading.

Piper Ross

Readers
are
Leaders!

**Jayleen
Lopez-Tapia**



4th Grade

**Cambree
Gavlik**

READ TO Believe
Read Read Read

**Kingston
Krause**

Read Read Read GROW GROW GROW

Rosalind Lee

Reading is more colorful than a rainbow!



5th Grade

<p>Avelyn (A.J.) Estrada</p>	
<p>Anna Graves</p>	
<p>Anabelle Sonntag</p>	





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Online Silent Auction Is Now LIVE!

Items are available for bidding starting **TODAY, March 1!**
Check out all of the **AWESOME** items we have available at:

<https://www.biddingowl.com/pvpvrawlings>

Auction closes on March 10 at 5pm sharp!

These students have read all 15 Sunshine State Young Readers Award books!

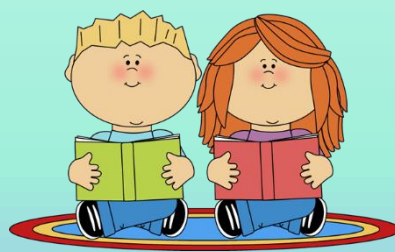
William Bowden
Rylan Wolford
Madison Ritchie
William Lampley
Natalie Penedo
Jack McCabe
Tenley Busch
Sydney Phillips
Gavin Garrow
Lorelei Garrow
Graham Kingston
Kate Berquist
Lola Roache
Wali Bajwa
Landon Rusnak

Carson Malzacher
Joseph Mitchell
Rue Andeer
Gavin Caffrey
Violet Graves
Lauren Scott
Lily Sanfilippo
Michael Orr
Harper Heath
Asher Rammage
James Joyner
Joe Rubocki
Sam Tardif
Makena Williams



Quinn Faircloth
Anna Graves
Raquel Hill
Connie Bowden
Emily McLaughlin
Lila Gregory
Raquel Hill
Dhruv Patel
Lillian Ritchie
Reece Kenning
Jasper Graham
Gemma Laaser
Ms. Garcia
Maggie Black
Ms. Grzybek
Colin Bovee

Abby Kaltman
Whit Clark
Jasper Graham
Arinan Guru
Zack Hanburry
Kate Hurford
Ben Kartzmark
Jaxie Zarczyński
Mr. Edeker
Luka Zarczyński
Emma Wainer
Finley Vadeboncoeur
Delaney Knecht
Ryan Broughton
Sophia Durso
Meining Chen





ART NEWS



Hello Rawlings Families!

This year has been quite a journey for us all! Despite all the hurdles I am so thankful students have been able to continue doing art at school. The therapeutic effects of art are so great I cannot imagine this year, the year of COVID, without art.

I am currently starting a new art unit where I introduce students to fiber arts. Fiber arts consists of crocheting, embroidering, felting, weaving, and sewing yarns into a work of art. Yarn craft is a repetitive, slow, and steady art. The repeating motion can be stress relieving, lowering heart rate and blood pressure. It keeps fingers nimble and improves math skills, and finally, it sharpens memory.

My goal is that each child will create at least one of the following: sewn pillow, woven bag, woven picture, crochet coaster, felt pin, or an embroidered masterpiece.

Please do not feel obligated, but if you would like to donate supplies, the following would be helpful:

Poly-fill or Fiber- fill

Plastic Bags

Cereal Boxes (flattened or trimmed into rectangles)

Yarn

Felt

Crochet Thread

Chinet Round Paper Plates

Fabric Pins

Chinagraph Pencils (China Marker)

Cotton Twine

Embroidery Floss

Beads & Buttons

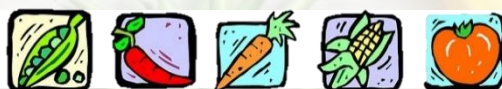


Thank you for supporting the Arts!
Ms. McClung, Rawlings Art Teacher

Cafeteria *News*

Hello and welcome back! I am Jessica Peto the Food and Nutrition manager for PV/Rawlings. Every child this year will be provided with a lunch account number. We are switching back to paypams.com for lunch payments. All positive and negative balance will switch over from schoolpay to paypams.com You will have to make a new login. Your old login will not work. Also, on paypams.com you will be able to see your child's purchases and how much money they have left on their account. You may also send in money with your student. Please have your students first and last name in a sealed envelope. Also, on paypams.com you can sign up for alerts about your student's account. Please keep your student's account current. Your child may get breakfast every day. Your child's breakfast includes breakfast entrée, fruit, juice and milk. Your child's lunch includes a choice of one entrée, choice of vegetables, choice of fruit and milk. If your child gets a second entrée, then he or she will be charged as ala carte. We also have a one cool box daily for lunch that includes yogurt, graham crackers, slice apples carrot dippers w/ranch, choice of another vegetable and milk. Here are some items we sell in our cafeteria.

School breakfast	\$1.25	School lunch	\$2.80
Dry Cereal	\$0.60	extra entrée	\$2.25
Fruit	\$0.75	one cool box	\$2.80
Yogurt	\$ 0.75	Vegetables	\$0.75
Graham crackers	\$0.75*	Goldfish	\$0.75*
Milk	\$0.60	Water	\$0.75
Cookies (Thurs. only)	\$0.40 *	Garlic toast	\$0.75*
Cheese sticks	\$0.75*	Fruit snacks	0.80 -1.00*
Ice cream (Friday only)	1.00 *	pudding	0.80*
Pop tarts	.80	Popcorn and variety of corn chips	1.00*



If you have and questions or concerns please email me at Jessica.Peto@stjohns.k12.fl.us or call me at 904-547-8576. Thank You!



Daily Awesomeness with Deputy Watson!



**"Stranger Danger" presentation
with Deputy Watson in Ms. Lyon's
1st grade class!**



**Deputy Watson feeling the
LOVE on Valentine's Day!**



**"Online Safety" presentation with Deputy
Watson in Ms. Gregory's 5th grade class!**

Deputy Watson's Car Line Reminders:



Deputy Watson would like to remind everyone of some very important information regarding school pick up and drop off. Please follow all signs and arrows in the parking lot. When instructed, please pull up to the designated area to pick up your child. To assist in buckling seatbelts at PV, you may pull into a parking spot on your way out, but please do not hold up the car line.








Car Line is a No-Phone-Zone

Florida law prohibits using a handheld “wireless communication device” while operating a vehicle in any school zone, school crossing, or work zone. The definition of a wireless communication device is broad and includes cellphones, tablets, laptops, and similar devices.

FLORIDA LAW ON VEHICLE CHILD RESTRAINT

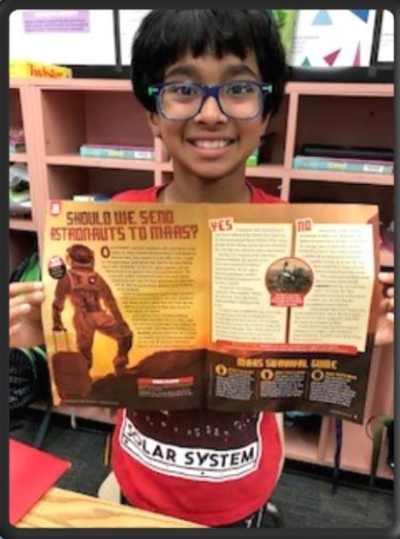
All children aged 5 and younger must be restrained in a federally approved, crash tested, child restraint device. This includes separate carriers, boosters, or vehicle manufacturer integrated child seat.

Birth to 3		4 to 5		6 to 18
Approved Carrier Only		Approved Carrier or Booster		Safety Belt
				
Rear-Facing Carrier	Forward-Facing Carrier	Forward-Facing Carrier	Booster Seat	Vehicle Safety Belt
Children aged 3 years or younger must be properly restrained in a separate carrier or vehicle manufacturer's integrated child seat.		Children aged 4 through 5 years, a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used.		Children aged 6 to 18 must be properly belted at all times regardless of location within the vehicle. Children not big enough to fit in a safety belt properly may be properly belted in a booster seat.

We've had some 4th & 5th grade classes 'Over the Moon' this past month!

Ms. Bettler's, Ms. Gard's & Ms. Link's classes have been studying moon phases, honoring "Perseverance," and the Mars Rover Landing, as well as, conducting a very special interview with Dr. Ian Porter, a military Dr., who was on a simulated space mission! Now this is JUST AWESOME!

AWESOMENESS





ACE NEWS MARCH



Hello Parents!

It's amazing how quickly this year is flying by! Just a friendly reminder that we are now coming up on PAYMENT #8 and it's due March 10TH. Only two more payments and we will be registering for next school year! Our Enrichment Camps are up and running and we have 13 camps in all! See the schedule below!

MONDAYS:

KNIGHT SCHOOL OF CHESS

TUESDAYS:

CHALLENGE ISLAND

CLUB SCIENTIFIC

1ST TEE GOLF NORTH FLORIDA

WEDNESDAYS:

FIRST COAST TENNIS

DEBBIE'S DANCE/ACROBATICS

KIDS CAN CODE

THURSDAYS:

SOCCER SHOTS

KIDZART

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FRIDAYS:

DRAMA KIDS

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FIRST COAST TENNIS (Begins 2/26)

For more information on our camps, please visit our school website and go to "Extended Day/Enrichment Camps" tab. Most camps can be joined at any time. For any further information regarding a camp, please contact the Vendor directly.

Lost & Found:

If your child is missing any belongings, remember to check the lost and found box in the front office at Rawlings. There are also items in the PVPV and Rawlings cafeterias.

SPRING BREAK BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17TH.

ACE will be closing, promptly, at 5:00PM on Tuesday, March 16th. We would appreciate you picking up your child as early as possible, so we can all get home to our families. Please mark you calendars now.

Have a Happy St. Patrick's Day!





Blessings in a Backpack



If you receive free or reduced lunch, you may qualify for a weekend food supplement program known as Blessings-in-a-Backpack. This food staple snack bag is given out weekly throughout the school year. The bag is typically sent home in your child's backpack on Friday afternoons.

If you would like to participate or need further information about Blessings in a Backpack, please contact your building's counselor, **Stacey O'Brien** (PV) or **Christy Thacker** (Rawlings). To apply for free or reduced lunch, visit the St. Johns County website at www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/. You may also contact the cafeteria manager, Jessica Peto at 547-8576, for questions related to the application process.

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ASYMPTOMATIC CLOSE CONTACTS IN THE SCHOOL SETTING -Beginning 12/9/2020

The CDC and the Florida Department of Health continue to recommend quarantine for 14 days from the date of exposure. **It is considered the gold standard!** There are two options that may allow the close contact to return to school/work before the full 14-day quarantine period has been met:

- The quarantine period may be shortened to **10** days from last exposure to the positive case if **daily symptom monitoring indicates the close contact remains symptom free**. The contact can return to school or work on Day 11. **HOWEVER**, it is extremely important that the contact continues daily monitoring for signs and symptoms **through 14 days**, as well as, practice social distancing, **always** wears a mask, and washes hands frequently. If signs or symptoms develop at any point, the contact should immediately isolate, seek medical care, be tested and call the Health Department.
- The Quarantine may be shortened to as few as **7** days if negative **PCR** testing is obtained on **day 6 or later from exposure to the positive case**. A PCR test is required and a rapid antigen test CANNOT be substituted. The negative test must be collected on day 6 or after, and if it is negative, the contact can return on Day 8 of quarantine, if he or she remains symptom free. **HOWEVER**, it is extremely important that the contact continues daily monitoring for signs and symptoms **through 14 days**, as well as, practice social distancing, **always** wears a mask, and washes hands frequently. If signs or symptoms develop at any point, the contact should immediately isolate, seek medical care, be tested and call the Health Department.

FAQs:

DO I HAVE TO GET MY CHILD TESTED?

No, assuming your child remains symptom- free, he or she does not need a negative test to return to school on Day 11. If they develop symptoms you should seek medical care, call the health department and arrange for testing.

HOW DO I GET PCR TESTING?

- You can obtain PCR testing through your medical provider.
- You can obtain PCR testing at a public testing site
- REMEMBER: the rapid antigen tests are not accepted, it must be a PCR test
- If your child develops symptoms, seek medical care and call the Health Department so that we may facilitate testing
- Make sure results can be provided within 24 to 48 hours. If the results are likely to take longer than 48 hours, it may be better to quarantine through day 10 and return to school on day 11, if no symptoms. **CHILDREN WITH A KNOWN PENDING TEST RESULT SHOULD NOT RETURN TO SCHOOL**

IF I GET A NEGATIVE PCR TEST RESULT, OBTAINED ON OR AFTER DAY 6 FOLLOWING EXPOSURE, WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP?

Call the Health Department to check if the result has been reported electronically in their system. If the result is reported, they will let the school know that your child may return, assuming they remain asymptomatic. If you have been notified that the result is negative but it has not yet shown up in the DOH system, you will need to provide a copy of the lab directly to the Health Department. **NOTE: Please DO NOT fax or drop off copies of labs without first contacting the Health Department to make appropriate arrangements.**