

The WAVE

December 2023



PVPV/Rawlings
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Vedra Beach, FL 32082
Rawlings (904) 547-8570
PVPV (904) 547-3820

Letter From the Principal

"December is the time for remembering the past and reaching toward the future." Ralph Waldo Emerson

Sea Turtles,

The year's most festive month is upon us all. For our families of the Jewish faith, we wish you all a most happy Hanukkah! We hope your candles burn extra bright this year. Many of our families are busily preparing for the many joys of the Christmas season. No matter your faith, I hope your time is spent with loved ones making memories during these special times.

The season also reminds us all that true joy comes from the gift of giving. We have several opportunities for our community to give to those in need if you are able. This month, our Kids Care initiative is a new toy and game drive in partnership with the Duval County Ad Litem Program. Students and families are encouraged to send in new toys and games to our media centers so that children facing serious hardships might have a gift to open this holiday season. Please turn in your toy or game by December 15th.

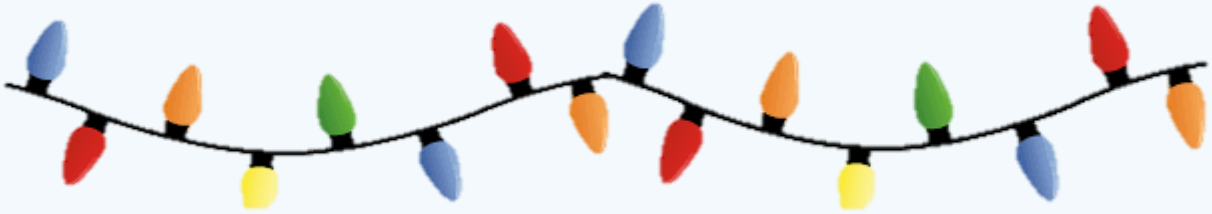
In addition, Let's share the love this holiday season and help support our sister school in St. Augustine, Crookshank Elementary School. They need teacher lounge snacks, classroom supplies, student snacks, clinic supplies, etc. They have started an Amazon Wish List linked below and will continue to add items as needed. Please consider supporting this school and the wonderful work they do there. To donate, click [here](#). Send all items to Bailey Benoit whose address will populate as a delivery option once you add an item to your cart.

And finally, the PTO is continuing to support our own Blessings in a Backpack students. Donations from Thanksgiving provided Thanksgiving dinners for all our PVPV Rawlings Blessings families. Our PTO will continue to collect money through December 8 to provide holiday gifts and clothing for our families in need. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044BAFA622ABFC1-45931565-share#/>

As I take time to remember this year, I'm just so proud and grateful for this school and this community for the many ways we have faced challenges, supported families in need, and continue to provide an amazing academic environment for our children. It is an honor to be a part of this school and community. Work Hard, Be Kind, Be Awesome, and Be Merry!

Dr. Gates

**Please be sure to provide your child
with a
refillable water bottle daily**



School Hours

8:00 – Doors Open

8:15 – First Bell: Students report to class

8:20 – Morning Announcements

8:25 – Tardy Bell

2:45 – Dismissal

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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Important Dates

EARLY ACT Spirit Week Dec. 4-8:

(see flier below)

December 21 – Early release

December 22 – January 5 Winter Break

January 8, 2024 – All Students & Staff return



We're Here to Help!

***Rawlings* phone calls, emails, notes, etc.-**

Receptionist Gina Baker

904- 547-8570

gina.i.baker@stjohns.k12.fl.us

OR

***PVPV* phone calls, emails, notes, etc.-**

Receptionists Anne Rubocki (M-W)

Lisa Bevill (T, Th)

904- 547-3820

Anne.Rubocki@stjohns.k12.fl.us

lisa.bevill@stjohns.k12.fl.us

Lost & Found:

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

Lunch Visits

Parents and loved ones are allowed to eat lunch with their child any day during the week. All visitors must sign in and be a cleared volunteer. We ask for parents to sit at the Turtle Terrace at PVPV, and at designated tables on the Rawlings Stage.



Spirit Week

December 4th-December 9th

Early Act Club Fundraiser

Please help support service-learning projects at our school!

\$1.00 Each Day or \$5.00 for the Week

Monday/Dec. 4th: U.S.A./Show your patriotism and wear your red, white, and blue!

Tuesday/Dec. 5th: Decades Day/Dress anywhere from the Roaring 20s to the 80s!

Wednesday/Dec. 6th: Career Day/Dress as your dream job! Can your class guess your profession?

Thursday/Dec. 7: Ugliest Sweater Day/Contest for the tackiest sweatshirt/sweater in your class!!!

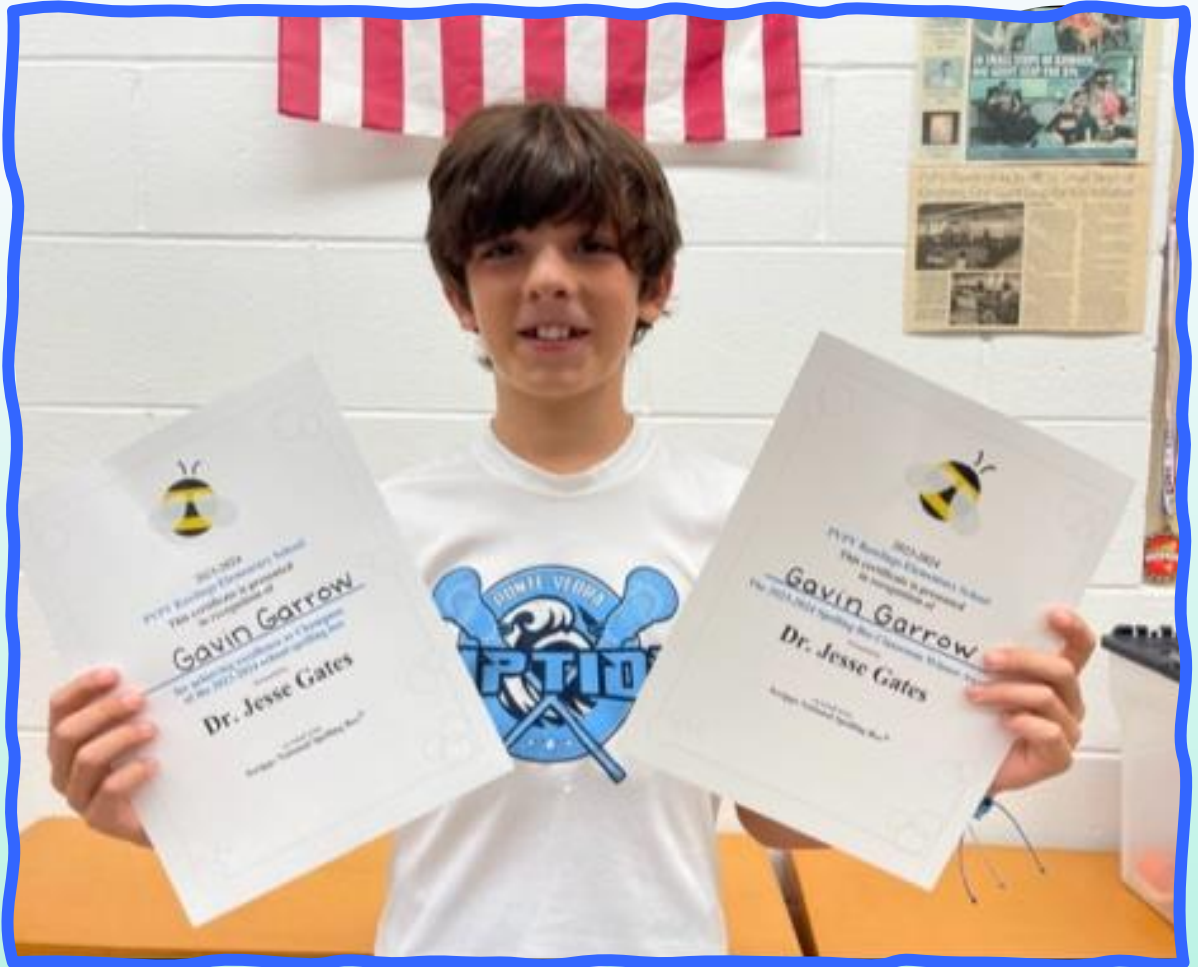
Friday/Dec. 8th: Barbie and Ken Day/Pink Out for Cancer

Spirit Week Competition: Early Act will collect data from spirit participation for each day of the week.

- Class w/ most school spirit on each grade level= Popsicle Party from Rotary Club
- Winning homeroom teacher=Free planning period, while the class has a kickball game or enrichment with Mrs. Brim

Congratulations

GAVIN GARROW



2023 Rawlings
Spelling Bee winner

Early Act Club News



Early Act Club students, parents, and siblings of PVPV/Rawlings Elementary volunteered at the Wounded Warrior's Carry Forward 5K on November 4th, 2023. Student leaders created patriotic, uplifting, growth mindset posters for the race participants. They distributed medals, as they crossed the finish line. These Sea Turtles did a fantastic job demonstrating the pillars of respect and citizenship! Well done, Early Act Club....showing gratitude and pride for our Veterans, who have served in the military for the U.S.A!!! We thank all who have dedicated their lives to serving our country.

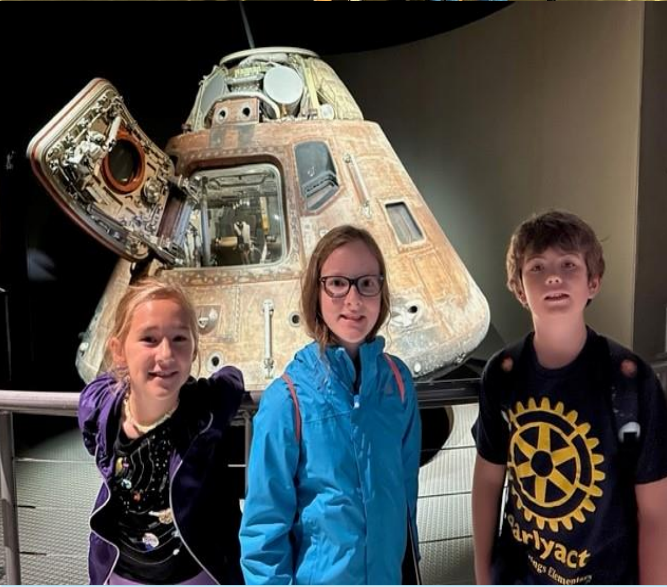


**WOUNDED WARRIOR
PROJECT®**

Book Character Parade



Kennedy Space Center

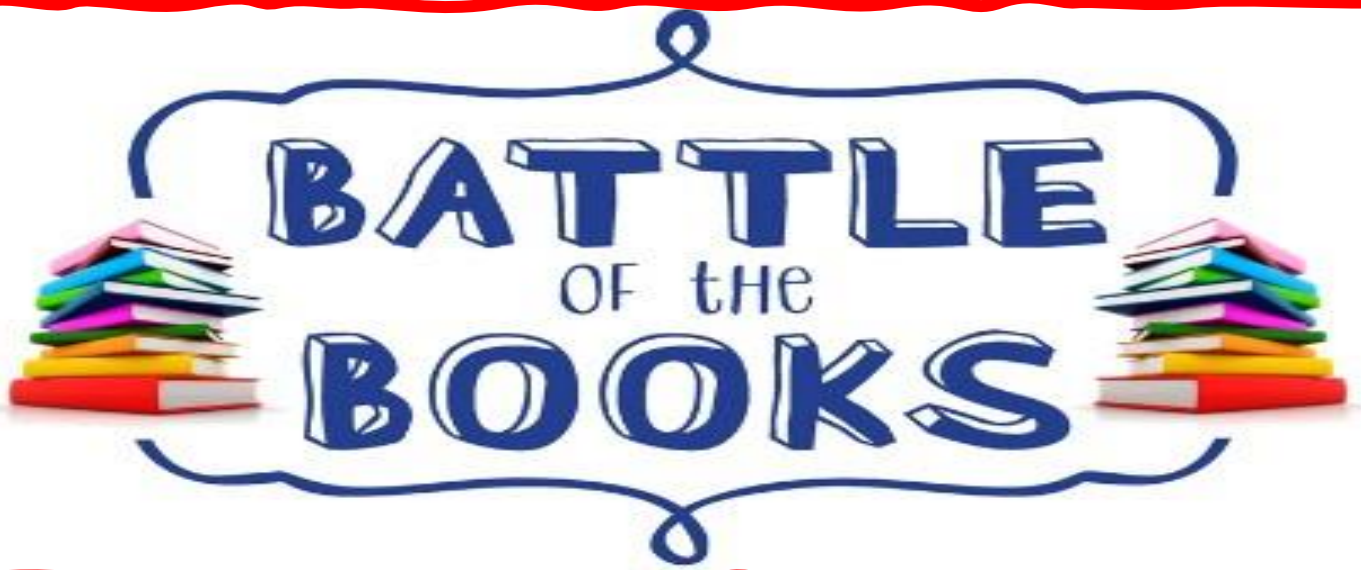


A decorative border of colorful gift boxes with red, green, and yellow wrapping and bows surrounds the central text.

*On behalf of the PTO,
let's treat our teachers and
staff to a
Holiday Gift Wrap "shopping"
treat!!*

*We will fill the lunchroom with
everything they need to wrap
their holiday gifts. Deadline
for donations is December 4th.
Click the link to donate & to
learn more!*

Use CTRL+Click [HERE](https://pageborders.org) to donate & learn more!



Battle of the Books is an exciting reading competition for 3rd, 4th & 5th grade students.

Each school in SJCS D will select a team of 5 students to represent their school at the district battle in March 2024.

All students interested in trying out for our school team **MUST** read a minimum of 10 current SSYRA books by January 8, 2024.

Our school team selection process begins in January during library classes and will include multiple choice questions (like an AR quiz) and random quotes from the SSYRA books. Each correct response is worth one point. At the end of the selection process, 5 students with the highest scores will be selected for our school team.

More information can be found on the media website:

<https://www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/battle>



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Rawlings Reading Stars



Bronze
50 AR Points

Andrew Malzacher
Anthony Allison
Asha Wandell
Asher Agnor
Blakely Somensatto
Bryn Barnhart
Conner Pilar
David Dimitrievski
Elliott Combs
Henry Dasher
Jack Lucas
Julie Hatfield
Katherine Crowe
Landon Rusnak
Lauren Scott
Leana Dettlaff
Levon Siloyan
Lily Sanfilippo
Lorelei Garrow
Lucy Trifiletti
Luke Sekeres
Michael Orr
Nicholas Atkinson
Piper Lee

Rory Wandell
Ryder Tardiff
Rylan Wolford
Sidney Johnson
Sofija Kojovic
Tatum Bestic
Thomas Green
Violet Graves
William Lampley
Xander Astralaga



Silver
100 AR Points

Anna Burnham
Gavin Garrow
Graham Kingston
Grayden
Fenstermacher
Matthew Patrick
Reid Patrick
RheaLynn Jones
Rylee Brant



Gold
150 AR Points

Aubrey Ritchie
Bear Robinson
Carson Malzacher
Charlie Scott
Dean Hunter
Morgan Paul
Nathan Olomu
Rook Schlotzer
Sophia Sojka
Yan Nigh Chen



Superstar
200 AR Points & Higher

Anna Darvick
Ariana Guru
Kaavya Chaudhary
Kareena Patel
Rook Schlotzer
Saanvy Chaudhary



READERS
ARE >>>
LEADERS

Congratulations Reading Superstars!



Celebrate Reading!



SSYRA JUNIOR

K- 2nd



SSYRA

3rd – 5th

Leela Patel
 Oscar Stamper
 Evelyn Carpenter
 Tierney Sullivan
 James Bolton
 Henry Lamontagne
 Jake Phillips
 Dylan Farwell
 Henry Lampley
 Alice Skeen
 Tucker Orr
 JR Adams
 Alexandra Dimitrievski
 Alexa Forte
 Tyler Radulovich
 Adrain Escallon
 Chance Demir
 Eliana Vincenzes
 Louisa Shi
 Sloan Guterman
 Emily Tingle
 Finn Stabler
 Bryce Manees
 Judith Aboudan
 Axel Kells
 Soley Corring
 Livia Astralaga
 Reed Saltman
 Elena Lecompte
 Rhett Ryan

Ariana Guru
 Gavin Garrow
 Kaavya Chaudhary
 Karena Patel
 Morgan Paul
 Saanvi Chaudhary
 Violet Graves
 Yan Ning Chen
 Mr. Edeker
 Mrs. Garcia
 Mrs. Masitti



SSYRA Junior

Parents,

Below is the list of the Sunshine State Young Readers Award Junior Books for 2023-2024. Mrs. Masitti will read aloud these books to the students throughout the year in the Media Center. However, if your child is interested in earning our SSYRA JR brag tags, they will need to read the books on their own at home. You are welcome to read the books with your child or have them read independently. Once your child has read each book, initial next to the title and turn in this form. Try to read all 15 or just a few; it's up to you! Return this sheet to the Media Center when you are DONE reading! *In lieu of this form, first and second graders can complete AR quizzes and earn brag tags as quizzes are completed.*

Picture Books:

_____ ***The Three Billy Goats Gruff*** written by Mac Barnett and illustrated by Jon Klassen

_____ ***Knight Owl*** written and illustrated by Christopher Denise

_____ ***Bug on the Rug*** written by Sophia Gholz and illustrated by Susan Batori

_____ ***A Mouthful of Minnows*** written and illustrated by John Hare

_____ ***Maybe...*** written and illustrated by Chris Haughton

_____ ***When Glitter Met Glue*** written by Karen Kilpatrick and illustrated by German Blanco

_____ ***Tomatoes in My Lunchbox*** written by Costantia Manoli and illustrated by Magdalena Mora

_____ ***Not That Pet*** written by Smriti Prasad-Halls and illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw

_____ ***Big Truck, Little Island*** written and illustrated by Chris Van Dusen

_____ ***Chickadee Criminal Mastermind*** written by Monica Silvie and illustrated by Elina Ellis

Independent Readers:

_____ ***Doggo and Pupper*** written and illustrated by Katherine Applegate

_____ ***Cornbread and Poppy*** written and illustrated by Matthew Cordell

_____ ***Beak and Ally Unlikely Friends*** written and illustrated by Norm Feuti

_____ ***Sir Ladybug*** written and illustrated by Cory Tabor

_____ ***Bibbidi Bobbidi Academy: Rory and the Magical Mix-Ups*** written by Kallie George and illustrated by Lorena Alvarez Gomez

Parents, please work with your students to help them memorize their Lunch Pin numbers. Home packed lunches need to know their Lunch Pins when coming through the lunch line to buy snacks, ice cream and Papa John's

Sea Turtles Café News

The cafeteria will start selling snacks, ice cream and Papa John's Pizza starting August 31st. Students must have money in their lunch accounts to buy ala carte' items.

Papa John's is not a school lunch item and is offered as ala carte' for \$2.00 per slice, in addition to the scheduled school lunch menu. Papa John's days are as follows starting September 12th:

Rawlings Papa John's – Tuesday's

PVPV Papa John's – Wednesday's

If you find your student is spending too much money at lunch, you may put restrictions on their account by emailing me at Michele.Morrissey@stjohns.k12.fl.us or 904-547-8576.

Sea Turtles Café Price List

A la Carte'

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|------------------|-----------------|
| Snacks | \$0.75 – \$1.00 |
| Juice's and Izze | \$0.75 – \$1.75 |
| Papa John's | 2.00 per slice |

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| Monday – Cookies / Pop tart | \$1.00 |
| Tuesday – Chips | \$1.00 |
| Wednesday – Rice Krispy | \$1.00 |
| Thursday – Ice Cream | \$1.00 |
| Friday – Fruit Gummies / Rollups | \$1.00 |



School Nurse News



Parents: If your child calls or texts you from their phone/watch and states they are not feeling well please request they see the nurse. From the clinic we can discuss next steps on your child's return to class or pick up from the clinic.

Please see the PVPV/Rawlings website if you need medication forms for your children. If you have any questions about what you need regarding your child's medication, please call your students respective clinic

Rawlings 547-8573 –

Cindy Masley, RN (M-W)

Toni Freeman, RN (Th & Fri)

PVPV 547-3834 -

Kathy Cavallini, RN (M & W)

Janet Lewis, RN (T, Th & F)





EXTENDED DAY

ACE Extended Day

Payment #6 is due December 10th
Please be sure **all payments** are paid
prior to winter break.

As a reminder, ACE will close at 5:00 p.m. sharp
on Thursday December 21st. Please pick up your
students as early as possible so our staff
may get home to their families!



BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY AND HEALTHY
HOLIDAY SEASON! ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH
FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

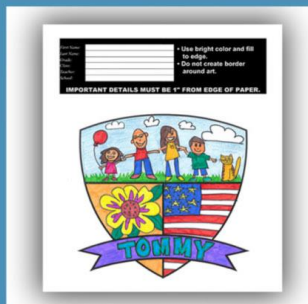
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE
IN THE NEW YEAR.



DISPLAY MY ART

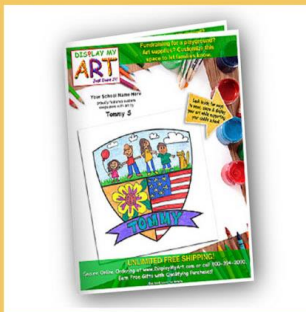
Support Your Child's School &
Creativity!

HAPPENING NOW



Your child is creating
art in school that you'll
be able to purchase on
a variety of products.

COMING SOON



In a few weeks
your child will
bring home a
custom brochure
featuring their art.



SELECT from Over
60 Keepsakes
Customized With
your Child's Art,
Perfect for Gift
Giving.



Place Orders Online or
Over the Phone.
FREE Shipping
Delivers Gifts
Anywhere in the
Continental US.

KIDS CARE

December Projects

Kids Care is
collecting new games
and toys for children
in need in northeast
Florida.



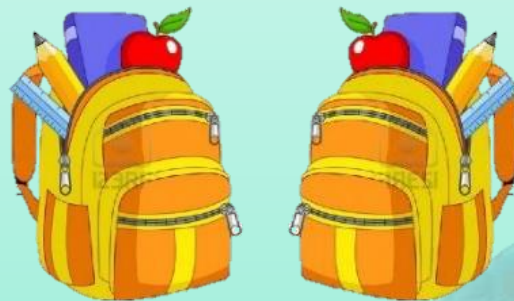
Blessings in a Backpack

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, a letter is being sent home with your child to let us know if you would like to be a part of the program. You may also contact your child's counselor. PVPV –

Heather.harrington@stjohns.k12.fl.us Rawlings –
kim.hollis@stjohns.k12.fl.us

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, Michele Garren at 547-8576, for questions related to the application process.





SPRING CARNIVAL

PVPV RAWLINGS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



SAVE *the* DATE

PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PTO ANNUAL SPRING CARNIVAL

Saturday, February 24th 12 - 4 pm



GAMES | RAFFLE BASKETS | FACE PAINTING

BALLOON ARTISTS | GAME TRUCK | TEACHER EXPERIENCE AUCTION

FOOD & MORE



get involved!

Contact: Jennifer Cleek for more info:
jbcleek@gmail.com



PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY

PTO NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

December 5 - Gift Wrapping Event for Teachers

December 22 - January 5 - Winter Break

January 8 - Students Back to School

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a successful November... Thank you to all our incredible committee members and chairs for helping make our PTO sponsored events, including Character Parade, Donuts with Dudes, Book Fair and Mother Student Dance so successful! Also, we could not do all we do without our incredible sponsors including Compass Reality, Fishman Pediatric Dentistry, Amara Med Spa and Precision Turf. Thank you to all the parents who took time to help Stock the Lounges for our incredible teachers, they are so appreciative. Through our Giving Thanks Initiative, we were able to provide 38 families gift cards for a Thanksgiving meal. -Kristine DeMartino

FUN FACTS

Fall Book Fair- Thanks to our incredible school community we raised \$27,825 earning us \$13,480 Scholastic Dollars for our school.

Mother Student Dance- Our first annual Mother-Student dance was a huge success, we had over 650 rsvp's resulting in a waitlist. The students danced the night away and all the moms out there were able to make amazing memories.

Character Parade- Students dressed as their favorite book characters and paraded while parents cheered in excitement -- an incredible turnout as always!

Donuts with Dudes- We had a record number of "dudes" turn out for donuts and coffee.

COMING SOON

Let's treat our staff to a holiday gift wrapping event, where donations of bags, ribbon, gift wrap & more will be provided.

HELP MAKE OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY STRONG!

While we love volunteers, your donation is NOT a commitment to volunteer. It instead goes toward teacher training, classroom supplies, schoolwide hardscapes, and technology used by every student, which is what really sets PVPV Rawlings apart from other schools! Sign up or Renew your PTO Membership

Our Spirit Rock Sign Up is filling up fast! Reserve your spot today in either the bus loop or PVPV carline. Spirit Rock Sign Up

CONNECT WITH US

pvpvrawlingspto@gmail.com

Instagram - @PVPVRawlingsPTO

Facebook - PVPV Rawlings PTO

FIELD DAY

Get ready PVPV, Field Day is approaching fast! 1st & 2nd grade Field Day is on Jan. 29th & Kindergarten is on Jan. 30th



Visiting Our School

An event or activity is scheduled at school or in the classroom and you want to attend...

I **have** completed the School Access form online.

OR

I **have NOT** completed the School Access form online.

OR

I am **unsure** if I have completed the School Access form online.

OR

Yes, I have signed in at the school before and received a yellow badge.

No, I have **NOT** signed in at the school before.

Complete the online form:
<https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply>
Please allow two weeks for processing.

Call the school:

PVPV front desk
(904) 547-3820

Rawlings front desk
(904) 547-8570

You are cleared to attend. Please bring your license or state issued ID to sign-in at the front desk.

Call the school to verify you are approved to enter prior to the event.

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Deputy Taylor's Car Line Reminders



Deputy Taylor 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. |



ST. JOHNS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ROBERT A. HARDWICK, SHERIFF

4015 LEWIS SPEEDWAY, ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32084 | 904.824.8304 | www.SJSO.org

Dear St. Johns County Parents,

Welcome back to school! I am thrilled to share that there will continue to be a Deputy Sheriff in each St. Johns County public school within our jurisdiction. The St. Augustine Police Department will also have officers placed at RB Hunt Elementary, Ketterlinus Elementary, Gaines Alternative School, and St. Joseph Academy. The partnership between our agency, the school district, and most importantly the families and students is vital to our success as a county.

As your Sheriff, I challenge all parents to continue being an active participant in your child's life. Their future depends on it. As a youth coach in St. Johns County for nearly 30 years, I've seen first-hand the importance of strong mentorship and involvement with our youth.

For me and this agency, there is nothing more important to us than the safety of our students. Our Youth Resources Deputies under the leadership of Captain Peggy Tennyson have spent the summer training so they are prepared for any situation that may occur during the school year. I cannot stress enough that if you see something, please say something. If it is an emergency, please dial 911 or for a non-emergency, call 904-824-8304. We will always put the safety and well-being of your children first.

I also challenge both parents and students to get to know your respective school's Youth Resource Deputy. The St. Johns County Sheriff's Office Youth Resource Deputies are there for each of you. If you hear or see something you think isn't right or you have a question about, reach out to them. It is paramount that our students know that the deputy in a uniform is a friend and there to be a resource to them.

I would also encourage you and your child to utilize the FortifyFL app to report suspicious information that is learned by our schools and students. These tips are relayed to law enforcement and school officials for immediate investigation. It is incredibly important for parents to remain vigilant and aware of their children's activities at school and elsewhere.

Finally, I'd like to thank you for your continued support of law enforcement in St. Johns County. It is truly our honor to be of service to you. For updates and current events on the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office if we can ever be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Hardwick
Sheriff

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Edie Williams, Agent

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