

# Dates to Know

August – All Pillars

**FAST Testing Window for Fall** K-5 – August 12<sup>th</sup> – September 27<sup>th</sup>

Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> – Welcome email from your teacher (3:00pm or later)

Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> – Meet the Teacher for Kindergarten (4:30-6:00pm)

**Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>** – Meet the Teacher for grades 1-5 (8:30-11:00am)

Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> – FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL for grades 1-5

Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Staggered Start

**Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>** – All Kindergarten students begin; 5<sup>th</sup> grade Kickball Game (4-6pm)

Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> – Girl Scouts visiting during lunches

**Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>** – PTO general meeting and volunteer fair at 9:00am (PVPV Café)

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Open House for grades 1-5 (5:00-5:45 or 6:00-6:45pm)

Aug. 23rd – School Spirit Store closes

Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> – Cub Scouts visiting during lunches

Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> – Cub Scout Meeting (6:30pm at Rawlings)

Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> – Individual Picture Day at Rawlings

Aug. 29th – Individual Picture Day at PVPV

Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> –PVPV PTO Shellebration Movie Night (5:30-7:30pm Rawlings Café)

#### **School Hours**

8:00 - Doors open for students
8:15 - First bell
8:25 - Tardy bell
2:45 - Dismissal (1:45 early dismissal every Wednesday)

Work Hard, Be Kind, Be Awesome!



**PVPV/Rawlings Elementary's Monthly Newsletter** 

#### PVPV (grades K-2) 630 A1A North Ponte Vedra Beach (904) 547-3820

Rawlings (grades 3-5) 610 A1A North Ponte Vedra Beach (904) 547-8570

https://www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us

# A Note from the Principal

I hope everyone had a "turtley" awesome summer! Welcome back to the 24-25 school year! As we step into this new academic year, I want to extend a heartfelt welcome to all our returning families and a special greeting to those who are joining us for the first time.

This year promises to be filled with exciting opportunities, new friendships, and countless moments of discovery. Whether your child is stepping into their first classroom or their final year with us, know that we are here to support them every step of the way. Our dedicated team of teachers and staff have been working diligently to prepare for the year ahead, ensuring that our school remains a place where every student feels valued, supported, and inspired to achieve their best. Our theme this year is "Do Your Wild, Wild Best and Saddle Up for Success!" Giddy up and get ready to ride into another amazing year!

#### All the best, Mrs. Jill Hillier, Principal

# Important Information

## Teacher Announcement

On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> (3:00pm or later), you will receive a welcome email from your new teacher! If you do not receive an email by Wednesday morning, please call the front desk and we will gladly assist you.

## Meet the Teacher

Come meet your teacher, see your friends, visit your classroom, drop off your school supplies, and much more at our Meet the Teacher event.

# \*\*Please note that there are two separate "Meet the Teacher" events this year.\*\*

KINDERGARTEN ONLY: Thursday, August 8th (4:30-6:00pm - drop in) \*\*\*Kindergarten Parents - Please make sure you sign up for a staggered start time for you and your child when you come to "Meet the Teacher".

1st - 5th GRADE ONLY: Friday, August 9th (8:30-11:00am - drop in)

## <u>Class T-shirt</u>

Students and teachers will have custom class t-shirts this year! This t-shirt can be worn on field trips, field day, class parties or events, or to show school spirit on Fridays. The cost for students is \$5. Please pay via SchoolPay using the QR code that is provided at Meet the Teacher. We will also post the QR code on our school's website.

# Important Information Continued

## First Day of School

#### August 12<sup>th</sup> is the first day of school for students in grades 1-5.

#### August 16<sup>th</sup> is the first day of school for all Kindergarten students.

- A special photo spot will be set up for kindergarten families to capture that first day of school picture.
- ☆ Kindergarten students will begin their day in the PVPV cafeteria from August 16<sup>th</sup>-August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Tips for a successful first day of school:

- ☆ Get a good night's sleep.
- $\Rightarrow$  Be sure your backpack is ready the night before.
- $\Rightarrow$  Lay out your first day outfit ahead of time.
- $\Rightarrow$  Know your teacher's name and what grade you are in.
- ☆ Eat a healthy breakfast.
- ☆ Make sure you have lunch money in your account or your lunch box is packed. Pack a snack too.
- $\Rightarrow$  Bring a water bottle to keep with you in class, at recess, and/or at PE.
- ☆ Have a sweater or sweatshirt in your backpack just in case it is cold inside.
- ☆ Do not be afraid to ask for help. There are adults and safety patrols that are happy to assist you!
- $\Rightarrow$  Smile and be friendly.
- Be certain you know how you will be going home (car line, bus, ACE, walker, biker, etc.). If you're a bus rider, memorize your bus number.
- ☆ Work hard, be kind, be awesome!!

Please make sure all of your things are labeled with your first and last name too.

#### **Arrival and Dismissal**

**Please arrange transportation changes and early pickups before 2:00 (1:00 on Weds.)**. This includes providing the name of an emergency contact that will be coming to pick your child up. <u>Notify the front office and your child's teacher if you have transportation changes for your child.</u> This makes dismissal much smoother in the afternoon.

Bikers/walkers will dismiss from the PVPV building. Parents may meet their children near the bike rack. Note: Summerfield walkers will meet parents at the flagpole.

ACE students will dismiss to their age-level groups. Pickup for ACE is at the Rawlings building.

Here are some car line guidelines for arrival and dismissal:

- PVPV car rider line: All Kindergarten and 1st grade students as well as their older sibling(s) are dropped off and picked up at PVPV car rider line.
  - Older siblings in grades 3, 4, 5 will walk to and from Rawlings.
- Rawlings car rider line: All 2nd, 3rd, 4th, or 5th grade students that do <u>not</u> have a sibling in grades K or 1 will be dropped off and picked up in the Rawlings car rider line.
  - 2nd grade students will walk to and from PVPV.
- $\Rightarrow$  Students in cars must get out/in on the passenger side of the vehicle.
- ☆ Please pull as far forward as possible before letting your student(s) out.
- $\Rightarrow$  Display your car tag in the front windshield.
- Drivers should not exit their vehicle to assist students getting in and out of the car. If needed, the driver may park and walk the child up to the school entrance.
- $\Rightarrow$  Watch for those going across the crosswalk.
- ☆ Please do not use cell phones while in car line.

#### Open House – August 22<sup>nd</sup> (Grades 1-5)

\*Kindergarten Open House is done during Staggered Start.

Visit your child's classroom during one of the time slots (option A or B) to hear important information about your child's school year. Topics will include information about curriculum, testing, classroom management, events, etc. Option A: 5:00-5:45pm

Option B: 6:00-6:45pm

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## Home Access Center (HAC) and Transportation

Our parent platform, referred to as HAC, is the place to go for information on your student's attendance, bus transportation assignment, grades, test scores, report cards and much more. Please make sure you have a Home Access Center account.

Information on new bus assignments for the 2024-2025 school year will be on HAC before the start of the school year. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT HAC ACCESS HAS BEEN TURNED OFF BY THE DISTRICT WHILE WE ARE BUILDING CLASSROOMS AND SCHEDULES. HAC ACCESS WILL BE TURNED ON FOR FAMILIES ON AUGUST 8, 2024.

## Please call the Transportation department at 904-547-7810 if you have any questions regarding your child's bus route.

If you are new to our school, follow the link provided to log into HAC. <u>https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us/HomeAccess/Account/LogOn</u>

- $\Rightarrow$  Your username will be the email you used to register for school.
- $\Rightarrow$  Your temporary password will be: Temp2025.
- ightarrow You will be prompted to change your password after logging in the first time.

IF YOU HAVE MULTIPLE STUDENTS WITHIN THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE SAME LOG-IN INFORMATION WILL GIVE YOU ACCESS TO ALL OF YOUR STUDENTS.

## Lunch Account

If your child was a student in ANY St. Johns County School District school last year, his/her lunch account information will remain the same. If you are new to the district, you can create a lunch account for your student at **paypams.com** If you are interested in completing an application for the reduced or free lunch program, you can find information about that program here: <u>https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/</u>

## <u>SchoolMessenger</u>

The St Johns County School District has partnered with SchoolMessenger to quickly and efficiently communicate both general and emergency messages to parents/guardians and staff using email, text, and voice mail. The system can send thousands of messages in minutes.

To participate in this service, you must indicate your willingness to receive text messages to your phone. The process is simple and only takes a few seconds to complete. Parents and staff who wish to receive *text messages* from this system must, (1) simply text the word Yes to the number 67587. (2) have their mobile number on file with their child's school (for parents/guardians) or on file with Employee Online (for staff/employees). <u>SchoolMessenger – St. Johns County School District (stjohns.k12.fl.us)</u>

## **PTO**

Who has a PTO that works harder, is incredibly kind, and is totally awesome? That would be the PVPV Rawlings PTO! All funds raised through PTO come back to support the school in a variety of ways from our technology and software needs to our playgrounds and building needs. Volunteer opportunities will be communicated through our PTO room representatives.

Joining PTO is super easy! You can join in-person during Meet the Teacher, or you can join online! <u>https://www.pvpvrawlingspto.com/</u>

# School Spirit Gear – open NOW until August 23rd

Show your support for our school by purchasing school spirit gear! The online store will close on Aug. 23rd.

PVPV RAWLINGS ELEMENTARY

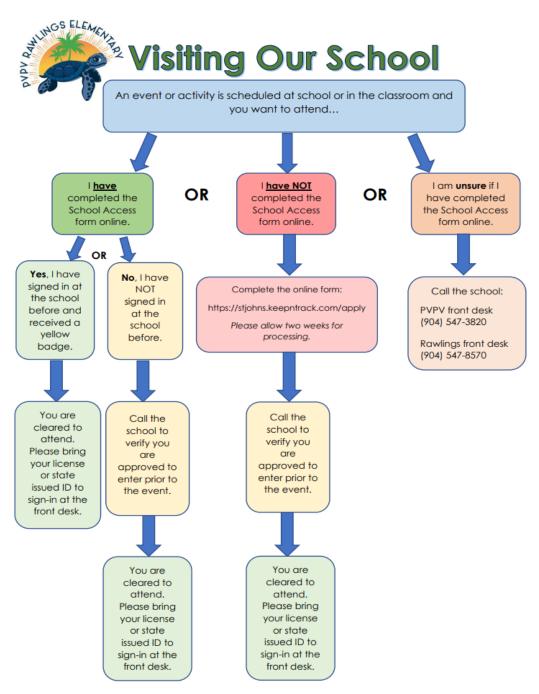
2024 FAMILY SPIRIT STORE POP-UP



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#### **Visiting Our School**

For any adult to have access to any St. Johns County School building for any reason, he/she must first submit a school access request form, background checks must be run, and the adult must be cleared. IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, please take a minute and complete the school access request for found here: https://stjohns.keepntrack.com/apply/.





# Please contact Gail Catania at 904-547-3830 if you have any questions regarding enrichment camps.

#### ENRICHMENT CAMP LIST CONTACTS

#### MONDAY

**TUESDAY** 1<sup>st</sup> Tee Golf

S4 Sports

Tennis

KidzArt

Spanish

FRIDAY Drama

Chess

Tennis

THURSDAY Kids Can Code

Soccer Shots

**Club Scientific** 

WEDNESDAY Chess

Dance/Cheer&Acro Booked Club

Challenge Island Chess Burn Boot Camp Kick Start Art

#### VENDOR EMAIL

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All additional information can be found on the Enrichment Camp link on the PVPV/Rawlings website:

https://www-pvmkr.stjohns.k12.fl.us/enrichment-camps/



