

# PALMETTO POINTS - AUGUST 2024

To highlight the month ahead, a calendar and reminder service from your PTA.

- WELCOME TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR! As a reminder, children should report to their classroom each morning.
  - The school day is:
- PK, K, 1: 8:20AM 1:50PM daily
- o 2-5: 8:35AM 3:05 PM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
- EVERYONE is released each Wednesday at 1:50PM
- JOIN THE PTA today! https://palmettoelempta.givebacks.com/store
- ALL VOLUNTEERS must register with Miami-Dade County Public Schools every new school year.
  - To complete a volunteer application select this link: https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MTY62W4tVVM=
  - Join the PES Volunteer Bank at this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/ckh6EvxQXQ9qKPS97">https://forms.gle/ckh6EvxQXQ9qKPS97</a> and be contacted for volunteer opportunities throughout the school year.

#### STAY CONNECTED WITH PES!

- Visit our school's website at <a href="https://palmettoelem.net">https://palmettoelem.net</a> and our PES PTA website at <a href="https://palmettoelem.net">www.palmettopta.org</a>
- Follow us on Instagram @palmettoelementarypta. Join by providing student name, grade and teacher in a direct message.
- Download WhatsApp to stay connected and informed to the PES Community this year.
- Shop at the **PES school store** online! Check out <a href="https://palmettoelempta.givebacks.com/store">https://palmettoelempta.givebacks.com/store</a> to purchase uniform items and PES Spirit Items! Items will be delivered to your child's classroom or be available for pick up throughout the school year. Contact <a href="mailto:palmettoschoolstore@gmail.com">palmettoschoolstore@gmail.com</a> with questions.
- Do you own or know someone who owns a local business that would be willing to become a Palmetto PAWtner or Friend of Palmetto? Sponsorship opportunities explained further on our PTA website! Sponsors can pay directly online on our school store or we can arrange to pick up a check. Easy peasy! Deadline to be a sponsor is September 18, 2024.
- Celebrate your child's birthday with **Birthday Book Club** available on school store! Your child will be celebrated on morning announcements with Principal Torres and have a book donated to the school library in their name.

#### IMPORTANT AUGUST DATES!

- Please join us at **Brewing Buddha**, located at 8219 SW 124th Street (across from Evelyn Greer Park) to laugh and cry with your fellow PES Family immediately after drop off on the first day of school **Thursday, August 15, 8:45am**.
- Attention New Families and Returning Families, please plan to attend our first General PTA Meeting on Friday, August 16 at 9AM in the
  Cafeteria. Come meet the Board, other parents, to learn about the exciting year ahead, and approve our budget. Volunteer Orientation will follow!
  Stick around to learn more about being a PES Volunteer, from guidelines to opportunities.
- Getting back into the school rhythm is hard enough! Give yourself a break and support your PTA by ordering take out or dining in from Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza on Thursday, August 22, located at IO2O5 S Dixie Hwy. Don't forget to mention Palmetto Elementary as 20% of the proceeds will be donated back to our school!
- Dads and father figures of PES are invited to join us for a fun night of axe throwing and male bonding at "Axe Habits Palmetto Bay", on Thursday, August 29th at 6PM. Get to know fellow Watch D.O.G.S and learn more about the program.

### SNEEK PEEK AT SOME EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER!

- Our Media Specialist, Mrs. Orin, will host an Accelerated Reader Parent Workshop & Cambridge Program Orientation on Wednesday,
   September 16, at 9AM in the Media Center.
- Our first PAWS for Wellness will be Monday, September 23rd, at 12:30PM at Lifetime Miami at the Falls. Palmetto PTA members are invited to take a private Yoga class reserved for Palmetto Families only. Pre-registration is required and space is limited!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISING EVENTS OF THE YEAR!

- Friday, December 6: Winter Social and Silent Auction, 7PM. Get your sitters ready for this parent mixer!
- Saturday, February 22: FUNFEST! A day for the whole family to create PES memories!