## Palmer Catholic Academy

Weekly Update

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### Unified in Faith, Respect and Service

### Palmer Catholic Academy Mission Statement

Palmer Catholic Academy of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church provides a Catholic and Christ-centered educational environment that inspires all students to reach their full spiritual and academic potential.

### Respect Yourself, Respect Others, Respect Our School

# #Palmer Strong #Faith over Fear

**Upcoming:** 

Oct. 14th: 8th Grade PSAT Testing

Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>: Professional Day – No school for

students

End of the 1st Quarter

Nov. 18th: Science Fair

**Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>:** School Improvement – Early staggered holiday release.

(Day K O Nove W o O 10)

(PreK @ Noon, K-3 @ 12:40, 4-8 @ 1:15 pm)

(No Angels After Hours)

Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Break – No school

for teachers and students.

<u>Reminder: Picture Day</u>: Leonard's Studio will be here **Friday**, **September 25**<sup>th</sup> to take individual school photos. **Mandatory uniform is required by every student in PreK thru** 7<sup>th</sup> **grade per the Parent/Student Handbook found on the pcapyb.org website.** (Option 2 student photos will be taken on the make-up day)

The exception to this rule is our 8th grade students.

8th grade boys must wear a dress shirt and tie with slacks.

8th grade girls <u>must</u> wear a dress or skirt or dress slacks (no leggings).

<u>NO</u> jeans, mini-skirts or mini-dresses, Capri's, leggings, shorts, sneakers, or flip-flops. <u>Shoulders</u> must be covered, and make-up <u>may not</u> be worn. Order forms were sent home via the backpacks on Monday. Check your child's backpack if you have not received one. For easy ordering, order online at <u>www.leonards.com/photoprepay</u>, access code C511931. Order forms need to be handed in to the photographer with payment included.

<u>Forgotten Items</u>: Parents are asked to NOT drop off lunches, PE clothing, homework assignments, books, water bottles or backpacks until further notice. Students who do not have a lunch will be given an upgraded Oops Lunch for that day. The cost of an Oops lunch is \$10.00. If PE clothing is forgotten on PE day, the teacher will be lenient, as long as it is not habitual. Forgotten homework assignments can be photographed and emailed to the teacher until a hard copy can be received. Teachers will be understanding and flexible in these cases.

**<u>Drop off and Dismissal Reminders</u>**: We ask all drivers to follow our guidelines that will help maintain the safe and smooth arrival and dismissal of every student.

- ALL STUDENTS WILL HAVE THEIR TEMPERATURE TAKEN BEFORE THEY EXIT THEIR CAR DURING MORNING CARPOOL.
  - Please drive carefully and pay attention to the car in front of you.
  - After announcing your arrival on the PikMyKid app, please stay off your cell phone.
  - For safety reasons, please allow us to load/unload your child(ren) on the passenger side only. Do not get out of your car or unload backpacks from your trunk. The aides will assist your child into the car as needed.
  - When entering our grounds from CR 210, please take turns with others alternating your entry from either direction.
  - Please follow all driving and road rules as defined by the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.
  - Always follow the direction of traffic through our parking lot, it is one way only. Do not "shortcut" against traffic to pull into a closer parking spot.
  - Directly in front of the school, stay outside of the white line, do not drive inside of the line, even if it is raining.
  - You must stay in the carpool line, even if your child has gotten into the car already, until the stop sign aide directs all the cars to proceed forward. Do not swerve out of line to leave before everyone else is moving.
  - Parents must arrive only at the designated time to pick up their children. The pick-up time for your family is the pick-up time for your OLDEST CHILD. You have received a color-coded carpool card based on your designated time. If you arrive more than 25 minutes after your oldest child's release time, your child will be escorted to Angels after care and you will be assessed a drop-in fee. Carpool ends at 8:15 in the morning and at 3:20 in the afternoon.
  - If you arrive before your designated time, you will be asked to circle back through the car line before getting your children to allow for all other cars to continue moving.
  - When exiting our parking lot, do not make a left-hand turn during carpool times. You must turn right and please be respectful of our neighbors, we cannot use their entrances to do a U-turn.
  - Parents, we have seen an increased number of students hanging out of windows and sunroofs while in the carpool line. This is extremely dangerous especially if you are hit from behind or your child falls out of the car. We encourage you to please have your students stay seated until a staff member lets them out of the car. Thank you!

### SERVICE HOURS REMINDER:

EACH YEAR, FAMILIES LOG THEIR SERVICE HOURS ON THE COMPUTER IN THE MAIN OFFICE. SINCE VISITORS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING AT THIS TIME, YOU WILL NEED TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR SERVICE HOURS UNTIL YOU HAVE ACCESS TO THE COMPUTER. (HOPEFULLY AT SOME POINT DURING THE SPRING SEMESTER.)

THE SERIVCE HOUR REQUIREMENT FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR IS 20 HOURS. FIVE OF THOSE 20 HOURS WILL BE FROM A LUNCH AND A RECESS DUTY IN THE SPRING SEMESTER. THE HSA WILL BE SENDING OUT SIGN UPS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO EARN VOLUNTEER HOURS VIA EMAIL AND THE WEEKLY UPDATE.

Please support our Palmer Church PreK Campus fundraiser through September 25<sup>th</sup>. The top selling student wins a tailgating chair!



### ATTENTION! Please REGISTER NOW for Palmer Catholic Academy PreSchool's fundraiser!

It's super easy! Please help support our fundraiser by following the steps below to register online today. When you register, we'll know you're committed to supporting our fundraiser and helping us reach our goals. To help our organization even more, send 10 email invitations to friends & family and spread the word about our need for help. With over 2,500 gift ideas, supporters can shop and check-off their holiday gift-list, all while supporting our important cause.

Will you follow the instructions below and register today? It's easy, it's simple, and it's important!

#### Here's how to register today and help us spread the word!

Invite friends and family (even if they're out of town), online orders ship directly to the purchaser!

Organization ID:

19505



Step 1: REGISTER at <u>www.charlestonwrapstore.com</u> (use organization ID to the left)



Step 2: Use our Email-Invite Generator to invite out-of-town friends & family to shop and support! Plus, share your unique invite links via text and social media.



Participant Registration

















Beaches Catholic Young Adults

Middle School Meet & Greet THIS SUNDAY in the Upper Room above the gym from 11am-1pm:

Oct. 17 - Beach Clean Up
Nov. 21 - BEAM Garden Service Day