



BAY POINT ELEMENTARY
MAGNET SCHOOL

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A Word From the Principal...

Greetings BPE Families and Friends.

We are now in full gear at school, and we have moved quickly through the first part of the term. Teachers are continuing to assess our students in order to guide and adjust their instructional practices in an effort to continuously meet the needs of our student learners. We encourage you to take time to speak with your child's teacher about his/her progress. The more you check-in on your child's progress, the greater the likelihood of his/her success in school.

*We would like to notify parents of our Annual Salvation Army Food Drive. It runs through November 16, 2015. Suggested non-perishable food items include: boxed breakfasts, boxed desserts, dry boxed meals, canned fruits, canned meats, canned juices, canned vegetables, salad dressing, instant soups, pasta, peanut butter, sauces, and powdered drinks. Thanks to Mrs. Bouanene and Ms. Scott for leading this initiative, and we thank you in advance for helping our team reach out to families in need. Until, next volume we ask that you take good care and thank you for partnering with us in your child's education. With love and care,
Dr. Felita Grant, Principal*

Calendar: October

- 2 PTA T-shirt sales
- 5 PTA Math Superstars begins
- 7 PTA Walk to School Event 7:30-8:30am
- 13 SAC Meeting, 5:00pm
PTA Board Meeting, 6:00pm
- 16 ALL Pro Dad's Breakfast, 7:30am
- 17 St. Pete Science Festival, 10am -4pm
- 19 No School For Students
- 21 The DUMP Field Trip (2nd grade)
Mahaffey Theatre Field trip (1st grade)
- 23 The DUMP Field Trip (2nd grade)
PTA Fall Festival, 5:30-8:30pm
- 26 PTA Fundraiser Pickup, 2:35-6pm
- 29 Picture Re-takes
- 30 Kindergarten Character Parade, 9:00am
Knuckleheads Anti-Bully Assembly

Upcoming-Nov.

- 6 Creativity Olympics, 8:30 (4th grade Gifted)
First Friday-Dress down day

Office Hours

8:00 AM—2:35 PM

Office Phone: 727-552-1449

Dial "0" for the Front Office

School Website:

www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es

TIP: Bookmark this page in your browser!

Commitment to Character

Cooperation

Getting along with others and working together to accomplish a goal

MISSION STATEMENT

Educate and Prepare Each Student for College, Career and Life.

Teachers out of Field

Florida law requires Pinellas County Schools to notify parents and guardians when a teacher is assigned teaching duties in a class outside the field in which the teacher is certified. The following teachers are considered out-of-field until they have completed additional training or passed a FL Certification subject area exam.

BOWEN R. G. Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
HEDMAN ROBIN Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
JEFFERIS CARRIE Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
JOHNSON REGINA Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
OHLEMILLER KATRINA Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
PARKER BONNIE Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT
WARE CAMESHIA Subjects:	ESOL ENDRSMNT

NON HIGHLY QUALIFIED
LUDWIG PROVINCE Subjects: ELEMENTARY ED K-6

All of these teachers are certified by the state of Florida and are currently pursuing their additional credentials to become in-field. I am confident they will provide excellent instruction in a safe learning environment to all his/her/their students. If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,
Dr. Felita Grant

Time is Important

School Times:

Gates Open 8:05am
 Free Breakfast 8:05-8:25am
 Gates Close 8:30am
 Classes Start 8:35am
 Classes Dismiss 2:35pm

Notes:

- ◆ Unless a child rides a late bus, no breakfast will be served after 8:25am.
- ◆ Families are not permitted to escort their children to class once the school day starts as we try to keep distractions to the learning environment to a minimum.

Learning is
from BELL
to BELL

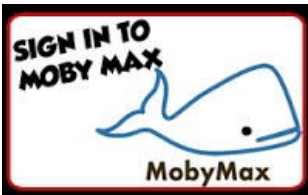
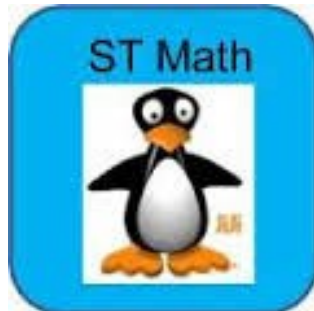


Tech News Practice, Practice, Practice...



Our students have several online programs that can be accessed at home and/or at a public library. Every student has or will soon be provided

with his/her own individual Online Home Accesses handout which contains information about the online programs along with the login process information. Please keep this handout in a safe location for your reference. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.



School Food Drive Underway...

Annual Food Drive 2015
Needed Food Pantry Items



- Canned or dry mix soups.
- Hamburger Helper (or similar) boxed dinners.
- Canned meats & stews including, tuna, Manwich, Spam, Dinty Moore, etc.
- Spaghetti and other pastas. (Ramen noodles, etc.).
- Canned cooking sauces such as spaghetti sauce, pasta sauces, etc.
- Pork & beans
- No glass jars or bottles, please.
- Packaged dry goods such as rice, stuffing, boxed potatoes, baking mixes, etc.
- Breakfast foods such as cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, etc.
- Juice or fruit drinks in cans or plastic containers (Ocean Spray, etc.).
- No perishable food items produce or pet food.

Collection Boxes:
 Mrs. Bouanene's Classroom #211
 Ms. Scott's Classroom #216
 October 1 until November 16, 2015
 8:05-8:35 a.m.



Thank you for your help!

Magnet News

...Ms. DePerro

The Application Period for 2016-2017 is
Jan 6-15, 2016

Important Info-5th Grade Parents

Learn how to apply for programs at Parent Information

Sessions:

- ◇ Nov. 3, 6: 30 p.m. at Boca Ciega High, 924 58th St. S, Gulfport
- ◇ Nov. 5, 6: 30 p.m. at Countryside High, 3000 State Road 580, Clearwater
- ◇ Nov. 9, 6: 30 p.m. at Pinellas Park High, 6305 118th Ave. N, Largo

Meet with program representatives throughout the district at Information Fairs:

- ◇ Nov. 12, 6 to 8 p.m. at Gibbs High, 850 34th St. S, St. Petersburg
- ◇ Nov. 14, 9 a.m. to noon at Pinellas Park High, 6305 118th Ave. N, Largo

Discovery Nights:

Schools with Application Programs will hold Discovery Night events mid-November through early January. Check out our Website for more information and dates.

Dress for Success...

Just a gentle reminder that the school dress code must be followed at all times:

Bottoms

- ◇ Solid khaki/tan or navy blue (free of writing and designs)
- ◇ Shorts, skirts, jumpers or long pants
- ◇ No denim (jeans) material

Tops

- ◇ Solid navy blue or white, short or long sleeve, polo-style with collars
- ◇ (free of writing and designs)
- ◇ Bay Point Elementary School logo T-shirts sold by the PTA
- ◇ Order forms available in the office or online at: www.bpepta.org
- ◇ White or navy blue turtlenecks are allowed in the winter months

Sweatshirts and Sweaters

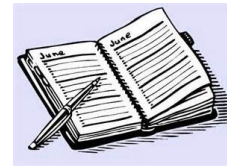
- ◇ Solid navy blue or white sweatshirts or sweaters for use in classrooms



SAC news

Meetings held in Media Center, 5:00-6:00pm

October 13th	May 10th
November 10th	June - Tentative
December 8th	
January 12th	
February 9th	
March 8th	
April 12th	



Our Guidelines for Success

- ◆ Be Responsible
- ◆ Be Respectful
- ◆ Be Safe

Don't' Forget

Picture Retakes

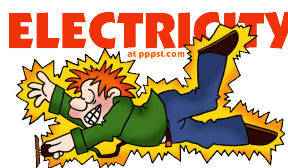


Bay Point Elementary
Picture Re-Takes will take place on
Thursday, October 29, 2015

Mad Science Club— Coming Wednesdays in November/December!

Magic, Forces & Flight

In Magic Forces & Flight students will take an exciting look at air pressure and vortexes. They will unlock the secrets of some mysterious chemicals and the resulting reactions.



They will also find out the shocking truth of electricity, how it is produced and used, and uncover the basic forces of physics through some

very cool demonstrations and build-em activities. They will also learn all about wave dynamics and our watery environments, and discover the science behind lots of secret magic tricks that they will get to perform themselves. Students will investigate the principles of flight by building and flying lots of model airplanes, and become engineers by designing and building their very own structures. Look for more information to come.... Registration forms will be available at the school for those interested in joining.

PTA News



PTA FALL FESTIVAL

Friday, October 23 • 5:30-8:30pm

BOUNCE HOUSES • Games • Prizes • Photobooth • Spooky Science • FACE PAINTING • Crafts • Hamburgers + Hotdogs • BBQ pulled pork • sno-cones • POPCORN

Free admission • Fun for the whole family!

Tickets on sale: Oct. 20+21st (25 for \$5) • Oct. 23rd (20 for \$5)

>100 Volunteers are needed! Please contact us at volunteercoordinator@bpepta.org, if you can help.

PTA Uniform orders

Did you know that our PTA sells both short- and long-sleeve uniform t-shirts and zippered sweat jackets before school on the first Friday of every month? Items can also be purchased at any time by filling out an order form and submitting it with payment to your child's teacher or the PTA mailbox located in the front office. Order forms can be obtained from our website (www.bpepta.org) or the front office. We accept both cash and checks (made payable to 'BPE-PTA').

PTA Fall Fundraiser



Thank you BPE families for participating in the **PTA Fall Fundraiser**. Together, we raised more than \$9,000 for our school! These funds will be used to organize our many events (Fall Festival, Fiesta Night, Teacher Appreciation Week)

and programs (Math Superstars, Reflections Art) and to purchase items in support of our children's education.

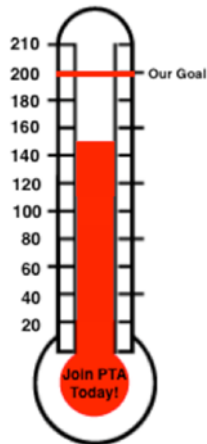
Please mark your calendars. Fundraiser orders can be picked up in the cafeteria on **Monday, October 26th 2:35-6:00pm**. This will be the only day to retrieve your orders as we have no way to store frozen food! Additional information will be provided in your child's backpack soon.

Thanks for your support! Bay Point Elementary PTA

PTA - Membership Drive

Did you know that by joining PTA and becoming a member does not obligate you to attend any meetings or volunteer at any of our events? However, we truly do hope that you will! Becoming a PTA member simply means that you support PTA's mission, which is *"to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children."*

Membership forms can be obtained from our website (www.bpepta.org), in the front office or the **back of the newsletter**. Join us today and get a free discount card to use at many area businesses. By joining PTA, you can make a significant contribution to the success of all students at our school!



Math Superstars- Registration is currently underway for our **Math Superstars program**, sponsored by the



PTA. This voluntary, enrichment program is designed to enhance students' appreciation and knowledge of mathematics by offering challenging and fun problems. Assignments will be provided week-

ly for students to complete at home. Prizes for participation will be awarded several times throughout the year. Visit us at www.bpepta.org to learn more about how your child can become a Math Superstar!



<http://www.bpepta.org/>

PTA News Continued...

The **National PTA® Reflections Program** was started over 40 years ago by to enhance arts education, and is the oldest and largest arts education program of its kind. The program provides opportunities for students to express themselves and to receive positive recognition for their artistic efforts.



Once again Bay Point will be taking part in the National PTA Reflections Program, with Ms. Griffin as our teacher sponsor. To participate, students reflect on the theme, and then create an original work in dance choreography, film production, music composition, literature, photography or visual arts (which includes art forms such as drawing, painting, print making, and collage). Students may submit one entry in as many categories as they wish. **The theme for the 2015-2016 school year is *Let your imagination fly!***

To submit an entry, students must bring the entry forms, complete with parent and student signatures, along with their original work, to Ms. Griffin in the art room by October 30, 2015. Entry forms and contest rules (including general rules and rules for each category) can be found at <http://www.bpepta.org/index.php/reflections-art-program> . For students without internet access, see Ms. Griffin for entry forms and contest rules.

Please consider submitting an entry.

We Recycle:

- ◆ Ink Cartridges
- ◆ Cell Phones



Don't forget to designate Bay Point Elementary on your **Target** card!

Stay Engaged

The PCS Family Engagement Mobile APP provides parents access to extended classroom opportunities, family engagement tips and opportunities and parent "How To" videos. There is information about parent workshop schedules, parent peer support, and information that will support student learning and school improvement.

The PCS Family Engagement Mobile APP is free to download and is available for both Apple and Android Mobile devices. To download the APP, simply type "PCS Family Engagement" in the search box of either the Apple iTunes APP Store or the Google Play Android APP store.



The APP has direct links to all PCS schools, Parent Academy and mentor workshops, daily engagement tips, videos, academic support, Florida Standards and much more. The APP also allows for more effective communications with families via its direct messaging feature.

Volunteers Needed-Give us a call to hear about our opportunities

727-552-1449

- ◆ Great American Teach-In
- ◆ Student mentors
- ◆ PTA needs
 - * Fall Festival
 - * Math Superstar graders
 - * PTA Committees





Thank you for Adopting -A-Class!!

Cynthia Petelle
Griffin, Parker, Pineda

Ricky & Renee Rowe
D. Smith

Total Air/Stephanie Mischke
Milford

Roger Cohen
Hale, Goss

Spoor Family
Hale, Pineda, Andolina

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Adopt-A-Class

Your Name/Business Name

Phone

E-Mail

I understand the Adopt-A-Class program requires a minimum donation of \$100. I have enclosed a check payable to **Bay Point Elementary Magnet School** \$100 \$200 \$_____

Classroom Teacher Name / Program Name

Student's name

I understand this year for: **Classroom /Program Supplies** and/or **Teacher's Discretion**
If the funds are not spent in the current year, donors may request a refund. Otherwise the money will Be transferred into the Adopt-A-School account for various school needs, including teachers whose classes were not adopted.

Your signature
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Return in person or via your child to the PTA mailbox in the front office

Bay Point Elementary Magnet PTA Membership Form

Please enclose \$6 per person

Name (#1) _____ Name (#2) _____

Parent () Staff () Other () _____ Parent () Staff () Other () _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____, _____, _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone (# 1) _____ Cell Phone (# 2) _____

Email Address (es) _____ / _____

Contact preference (# 1): (1-5) Email ___ Mail (if available) ___ Home Phone ___ Cell Phone ___ Text ___

Contact preference (# 2): (1-5) Email ___ Mail (if available) ___ Home Phone ___ Cell Phone ___ Text ___

Student's Name _____ Student's Grade and Teacher _____

Student's Name _____ Student's Grade and Teacher _____

Student's Name _____ Student's Grade and Teacher _____

Just keep me informed _____ or I'm interested in helping with _____

Membership/Treasurer Use: Date _____ Amt _____ Cash() Check (# _____) Card #s _____ Delivered _____