



**BAY POINT ELEMENTARY  
MAGNET SCHOOL**

# BROADCAST

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Greetings BPE Families and Friends.

We are bouncing right into the Spring season with many fun filled rigorous activities. Students are working on community service projects, writing research papers, and participating in physical education activities that promote good health and gross motor skill development. Our primary students have been taking their SAT-10 assessments and our intermediate students are embarking upon their Florida Standards Assessments.

We are asking that parents continue to support and encourage Critical Thinking, an important skill that can help your child do well in every school subject: thinking! Consider these ideas for helping them think critically: spot similarities and differences between objects, be strategic and share your thought process (perhaps through games such as chess or checkers), and flip fairytales by encouraging your child to write a tale from another character's point of view (modified from Home & Schools Connection).

We would like to congratulate the following PRIDE winners who will represent BPE in April at the county-wide recognition program being held at Ruth Eckerd Hall: **Andrew Blackett (Math), Lilly Kennedy (Writing), Evan Baker (Science), and Gabriel Manahan (Social Studies)**. They have each worked hard to accomplish this level of recognition and we are so very PROUD!

We'd like to send a special thank you to all volunteers who partner with our school. We love having you and our students look forward to your being here! Thanks for all that you continue to do to support learning at home. TOGETHER WE ARE BETTER!

Best regards,  
Dr. Felita Grant

## Calendar:

### April

- 6 School reopens  
Registration begins for 2015-16 for invited families
- 7-16 FSA Testing Continues
- 10 Casual Friday—no uniforms  
PTA T-Shirt sales, main gate until 8:30am  
5th Grade Picture Day
- 15 Ft. DeSoto (Cairns, Kelly, Wood)
- 16 Ft. DeSoto (Wolf, Goss, White)
- 17 ALL PRO DAD Breakfast, 7:30 am  
PTA MOVIE NIGHT: Big Hero at 6:30 pm
- 20 Solid Waste Facility (Grade 3)
- 25 STEM Club Expo
- 20-28 Buy your ticket to the RAYS game!
- 21 Volunteer Appreciation Brunch, 8:35 am
- 30 Enterprise Village (Grade 5)

### May

- 4-8 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 12 Kindergarten 15-16 Orientation, 5:30 pm
- 25 Memorial Day, School Closed



## Commitment to Character

### SELF-CONTROL:

*Managing your emotions and choosing acceptable behavior*

Through our curriculum, we will facilitate learning by providing relevant, multidimensional learning experiences. We will place a special emphasis on the integrated applications of mathematics, science, foreign language and technology to prepare students to function productively in our global environment.

## Congratulations to These Students Who Earned the Principal's List

### THIRD GRADE

Kaitlyn Duke  
Sydney Walsh  
Sariah Wilson  
Gavriel Bussy  
Kit Cohen  
Norah Craig  
Lyndie Lezvow  
Sarah Blackett  
Cory Diaz  
Apyrl Hester



### FIFTH GRADE

Amira Kattaria  
Barrett Stetler  
Gavin Tran  
Kai Paasch  
Ryder Marsicovetere  
Rafael Velecela  
Kendall Salvant  
Jonathan Owens  
Chamberlain Campbell  
Hayley McCormack  
Aiden Beck  
Braydon Lumpkins  
Amani Walker

### FIFTH GRADE

Leah Sonberg  
Evan Baker  
Angelina Cao  
Jed Cohen  
Riley Craft  
Lily McGeehan  
Dillon Pupo  
Merritt Smith  
Mitchell Wilson  
Andrew Blackett  
Christelle Marc  
Gabriel Monahan  
Kaleb Friday-Saunders  
Joshua Hughes  
Alex Walsh  
Hana Skipper  
Jaden King  
Olivia Delancy  
Samuel Phrasavath  
Quinlan Whitney

## Science Fair May 7th

...Mrs. Vyverberg

It is time to start thinking about our school's science fair, especially if your child is in third, fourth, or fifth grades. The students should start researching a topic that they can investigate. Most are bringing home a paper where they must write a brief summary of what they propose to do. It is recommended that a good starting point is the website ScienceBuddies.org. It has a Topic Selection Wizard that will suggest over 100 projects once a questionnaire is completed. There are of course many other websites as well as books that can be checked out from the school's library or from the public library about various science fair projects.

The fair is May 6th, 7th and 8th. Each individual classroom teacher will assign a due date for when the projects are to be brought to school. Boards will be sold for \$3.00 in the science lab before and after school until mid-April. Please email your child's classroom teacher or me at vyverbergc@pcsb.org if you have any questions.

## ALL PRO DAD

...Mr. Jorge Angulo

Dads! Don't Miss Out!  
Come join us for FREE breakfast!

**7:30a.m.—April 17<sup>th</sup>**

Let us know you're coming so that we can prepare enough food at:  
<http://www.allprodad.com/3578>

*Last date:*

May 22

Congratulations!



**Miles Baker**

Drawing  
winner for  
entering all  
your hours

## Homework Helpline

Call: 547-7223

Monday-Thursdays  
on days school is in session

- 8:05 a.m. breakfast
- 8:35 a.m. in class



Gates close at 8:30 a.m. to allow students to get into their classroom before the 8:35 a.m. bell

## Problem With the Bus?

Call Transportation at 587-2020

Keep on Clipping!



Help us earn money for the school!

## Fans! Get your tickets for the Rays vs. Rangers Game Saturday, May 9th at 6:10 p.m.

**April 20th – ticket orders go home**

**April 28th – deadline to return ticket purchase**

The Tampa Bay Rays have put together a fantastic ticket offer for Pinellas County students, employees and their families and friends for the Texas Rangers vs. Tampa Bay Rays game on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at 6:10 p.m. Upper Level tickets will be offered for \$10 (up to \$25 value) and Lower Level tickets for \$17 (up to \$60 value).

Each school that reaches 150 or more tickets sold will receive a visit from the Rays mascot, Raymond, and the Rays Street Team to their campus during the 2015 school calendar year.

### Volunteer Appreciation April 22nd

Our Outstanding School Volunteer: Bobbi Zolg  
Business Partner: Florida Print Solutions

### Kudos to Chorus

...Mr. Pineda

Congratulations to the following students who did an outstanding job during the All County Chorus Concert:

**Riley Craft**  
**Christelle Marc**  
**Jade Martin**  
**Tahlia Rutherford**

The Elementary All County Festival will be aired on Saturday, April 3rd at 6:00 p.m. It will then run on Tuesday, Saturday, and Sunday through the month of April at 6:00 p.m. on Channel 14.

### Keep up with the latest!

**WEB PAGE:**

**[www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es](http://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es)**

**FACEBOOK:**

**BayPointElementaryMagnet**

Bookmark the school's webpage! On the home page you will find quick links to the lunch menu, see the calendar for upcoming events, find your classroom teacher and staff email.

### Club News and Open Houses

**Guitar** until 3:45PM  
Beginners: Mondays  
Intermediate: Thursdays

**STEM**  
until 4:15 Wednesdays

**Rock Band**  
*Coming Soon!*

**MAD SCIENCE**  
until 3:45 Wednesdays

### Young Astronauts

...Mr. John Barfield, YA Team Leader

Bay Point's Young Astronauts Group 2 enjoyed their field trip to Kennedy Space Center March 28th-29th!

*YA Meeting Dates:*

April 14 & 28 after school until 4:00

### MATH MEET

...Mrs. Hale

Four of our 4th graders participated in the Southeast County Gifted Math Meet at North Shore Elementary. They were one team of eleven for a total of 44 students. The competition included an individual written test, an individual solutions test, a team speed round and a cooperative round (students working with kids from other schools).

It is with great PRIDE I celebrate their participation and accolades:

The four students were CHOSEN to attend based on math performance in class, Math Rules! scores AND additional quiz scores. The students were: **Gavin Tran** (captain), **Landon Hale**, **Ryder Marsicovetere** and **Tripp Spoor**.

One of our students, **Ryder Marsicovetere** was on the WINNING cooperative round team!

One of our students, **Gavin Tran**, placed 3rd overall for individual awards!

One of our students, **Landon Hale**, placed 1st overall for individual awards!

AND.....

Our 4th grade Bay Point Elementary Panthers of Pi team placed FIRST overall!!!

These students had afterschool practices and put in extra time to participate in this competition and that hard work paid off!! WAY TO GO!!

# Family Movie Night

## Friday, April 17th

- ◇ Free Admission
- ◇ Free Popcorn



**6:30 p.m.**  
 Please join us for a short tribute to two of our retiring staff members: Ms. Harrington and Mrs. Tucker

**6:45 p.m.**  
 Movie Starts



# News From the PTA

...Mrs. Cannizzaro, Vice President

Thank you Bay Point families for making our Spring Fundraiser a success. With your support, we collected over \$2590.74! Congratulations to these classes (K-Johnson (\$248.92) overall winner, 1st-Negretti (160.20), 2nd-Murray (204.96), 3rd -Bouanene (135.74), 4th - Wood (\$106.96), and 5th -Gomillion (130.63)) for collecting the most money for their respective grade level. These students all enjoyed a yummy Ice Cream Party before spring break. Kudos also goes to Ms. Johnson's class for collecting the most money overall. They received a brand new digital

microscope to enhance science-learning opportunities in their classroom.

Now, as we vowed to do: "Let's Get Digital"! PTA is proud to report that we recently approved the purchase of 10 laptop computers using funds raised this year during both our fall and spring fundraising campaigns. Way to go families for boosting the technology resources in our school!!!

Although we're getting close to the end of the school year, we still have several events coming up: On April 17th (6:30-8:30pm), we're holding a Family Movie Night in the cafeteria. Please join us that night for a free showing of Disney's animated film 'Big Hero 6'. We'll be serving up some free, tasty popcorn, so be sure to come hungry. Before the movie begins, we will honor our marvelous art teacher, Ms. Harrington, and our Data Management Tech, Mrs. Tucker, who are retiring at the end of this year. We will miss them very much and wish them our best!

Speaking of terrific teachers, mark your calendars for May 4-8th (Teacher Appreciation Week). Our Hospitality Committee is busy planning some delicious and fun surprises for our hard-working teachers that week. Look for a flyer coming home in your child's agenda soon that will include ways you and your child(ren) can participate. Please show your support and help make our teachers feel special! The annual Science Fair Open House will be held on May 7th (6-8pm). Along with viewing all the amazing science fair projects that our children have been working hard to complete, students will have the opportunity to blast off into space and explore our solar system while completing several fun, hands-on science activities. Prizes, free raffle drawings, and more....stay tuned! It'll surely be out-of-this-world! Last but certainly not least, we are still in need of several enthusiast individuals that would like to join our fun-loving, hard-working PTA team. I promise you, this is not a huge commitment, but it takes many volunteers to plan and put on the fantastic events our PTA does each year. If you are interested in getting more involved by becoming a PTA board member, please contact Greta Klungness (Programs@bpepta.org).

# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH



Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>  
 At 8:35 a.m.  
 Media Center  
*Come One, Come All!*