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Administrator's Note

...Mrs. Delores Milton, Principal

Lots of exciting things are happening on campus. We have a new Science teacher: Mrs. Vyverberg, students are having fun working on science projects, two more teachers have SMART boards, and two more will be getting one before the end of the year. Also fourth grade students did a great job writing for the Florida Writes test and our guitar club was featured on the District website in recognition of their participation in a regional conference in Tampa.

Please take time to view the information on the website regarding changes that will occur with the grading of next year's FCAT 2.0.

In order for dismissal to run more smoothly I am asking that you remain in your car rather than parking and walking through the traffic lanes. Let's try this and see if it works better.

We thank you for your support at the Bay Point PTA campfire and **look forward to seeing you at the PTA Bids for Kids Auction!**

Mrs. Milton, Principal

MARCH * Calendar of Events * MARZO				
Monday-lunes	Tuesday-martes	Wednesday-miércoles	Thursday-jueves	Friday-viernes
	Daylight Savings Time begins March 11—turn your clocks ahead 1 hour		1 More Health: Firearm Safety, gr 3	2 Casual Friday Read Across America: Dr. Seuss' Birthday
5 Library: Pipino, Bouanene, Alvarez 5th Grade Pearls Sawgrass Lake: Cairns	6 Grading period ends Sawgrass Lake: Gomillion	7 Sawgrass Lake: Henderson	8 PTA Auction, 5:30pm <i>Bids for Kids</i>	9 5000 Role Models Sawgrass Lake: White
12 SAC 3:30pm PTA Bd 6:00pm Sawgrass Lake: Wolf	13	14 Π (Pi) Day	15	16 HSN: Girlfriends
19 5th Grade Pearls Report Cards home	20 First day of Spring	21 Vision/Hearing Class Photo Day (wear uniforms)	22 Vision/Hearing More Health: skin cancer: grade 4	23 5000 Role Models PE Field Day <i>See schedule below</i>
26	27  ← Spring Break →	28	After School Clubs: Club Olé-1 st , 3 rd Th YAC-2 nd , 4 th Tues Guitar, Beg.-Mon Guitar, Int.& Adv.-Th	Next Month: 2 nd Back to school 2 nd -20 th New to BPE student registration 16 th -27 th FCAT 30 th No School

"This month's character trait is *honesty*"



**PTA AUCTION
"BIDS FOR KIDS"**

Thursday, March 8th
5:30 to 8:00 pm

DON'T MISS THE FUN!

**PE FIELD DAY
MARCH 23RD**

8:55-9:55 5th grade
 9:30-10:30 2nd grade
 10:25-11:25 4th grade
 12:15-1:15 Kindergarten
 12:45-1:45 1st grade
 1:25-2:25 3rd grade

Parents are invited!

HONDA GRAND PRIX

See the race and raise money for PTA—contact Hollie Schmidt at schmidt_hollie@yahoo.com

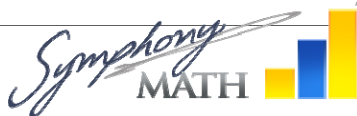
5 Star * "A" Grade * Golden School

Bay Point Elementary Magnet School's mission is to promote highest student achievement in a safe learning environment by utilizing an integrated system of learning with an emphasis on math, science, technology and foreign language.

Symphony Math

...Ms. Sanchez, Tech Specialist

Exciting news!!!! Great news!!! Our Symphony Math program account has been reactivated...that means we can continue utilizing the Symphony Math program again through April 30th. Remember, if you have internet connectivity at home or at a relative's, you can download the software and use this wonderful math program anytime to advance your math skills.



Step 1: Download the Program

Type this web address in your web browser to go to the Symphony Learning web site:

www.symphonylearning.com

Click on the **Downloads** link on the left side of the screen. Follow the onscreen directions to download and install the current version of Symphony Math.

Step 2: Configure the Program

When you run Symphony Math for the first time, you will be asked if you are using the program at school or at home. Click 'Home', and then type **4161** for our school account number and students use their **PCS Login**.

Step 3: Use the Program

During use of Symphony Math, the program automatically adjusts to your child's learning style and skill level, so no additional configuration or adjustments are necessary. When your child asks for help, teach them to press the *Lifesaver* button for hints. The *Lifesaver* button is located at the top right of the screen and alerts the program that students are having trouble. The program will provide assistance with the current question and adjust the level of difficulty on subsequent questions.

Shop These Sites !

www.schoolstore.com
www.btfе.com

Thanks to the PTA and Your Support of the Book Fairs!

Students enjoy using our 70 Kindles to read their favorite books at Bay Point! The use of e-books provides new opportunities and new reading experiences that motivate our students to engage with texts and consequently, contributes to their reading success. We are so lucky that we have 3 classroom sets and 1 library set of Kindles at our school. Each month they are moved to a new classroom for student use during recreational reading time. As of now we have a set for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. Mrs. Parker also is working with small groups in 2nd grade in the library as they learn to use the new e-readers. Hopefully we will be able to acquire more Kindles soon as we are quickly discovering that they can make a big impact on reading in lower grade as well.

Great Representation of Our School in Music Events

... Mr. Pineda

Congratulations to Chauntel Johnson and Reignah Pizarro who were selected to perform with the All County 5th Grade Honors Chorus on Saturday, March 3rd, 2012 at 2:00 pm. at the First Baptist Church in St. Petersburg. Also, big congratulations to the members of the Guitar Club (intermediate and advanced levels) who participated successfully in the Florida Music Educators Association (FMEA) Guitar Festival on February 18 at Blake High School in Tampa. They are: Zack D'louhy, Timmy Santora, Devon Miller, Cody Livingston, Myriam Marc, Christelle Marc, Christina Martinez, Luke Williams, Ray-John Dacres, Renice Dacres, Gus Langer Justin Moncada, Clayton Brody and Jamel Walker

Guidance Corner

...Ms. Tetro

The character trait for the month of March is *Honesty*. Honesty means using truthful speech and behavior. Please feel free to use the dinner dilemma below to teach your children all about honesty at home:

Situation: The game is tied in extra innings. Sam's team could win if he can make it to home plate. Sam is tagged before he touches home plate. The umpire calls him safe.

Dilemma: On one hand Sam knows if he does not say anything his team wins the title. On the other hand Sam knows he should be honest and tell the truth about being tagged.

Discussion: What advice do you have for Sam?

Young Astro's to KCS

...Mr. John Barfield

Bay Point's Young Astronaut Group 3 just returned from an awesome, exciting overnight field trip to Kennedy Space Center! The students experienced many new and wondrous things at our nation's spaceport. We met Shuttle Astronaut Jon McBride who amazed and educated students and parents about the country's Space program and its future.

We slept under the Giant Saturn V moon rocket. We had a great time and experienced things we will remember a lifetime! Many thanks to parents, chaperones, students, and BPE Administration that made this 9th annual adventure to KCS possible!

We recycle: ink cartridges, laser cartridges, and cell phones.

We collect: Box Tops For Education, Campbell's Soup Labels