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Principal's Note...

Dear Bay Point Families,

October has arrived and we enjoyed a brief relief from FL. Humidity, teasing us with a taste of real Fall weather. The children are busy and many activities are being planned – conferences, Fall Festival, character parade, field trips, etc. The procedures for the year are beginning to become routines.

Lately, we have been focusing on health and safety issues. Our students have been experiencing about a 3% absences due to flu. We are trying to be sure to sanitize the areas and ensure children and staff taking sanitary measures throughout the day. Please be sure to monitor your child's symptoms and notify the office of reason for absence. We all are trying to take precautionary steps. The vaccine information is being sent home.

With the large reduction in buses all car circles at the elementary schools have increased in load. Ours is no exception. We invited a safety traffic person to help us improve our conditions. Several changes will be made. We will have opening put into the railings east of the crosswalk, raised and brighter paint on the crosswalk, right turn only when exiting car circle, and a few other things were recommended. The district will be financially supporting these changes.

Remember that we begin school 5 minutes earlier this year. The side gates open at 8:20 AM and close at 8:35 AM. If dropping off at the YMCA we have someone posted at the front gates to greet you.

Thank you for your continued partnership with your child's learning. Science, Math, Spanish and Technology continue to be our magnet focus areas while building the essential reading and writing skills.

Sincerely,

Gaye B. Lively, Principal

This month:

Early Release Every Wednesday, 1:35

2nd First Friday, No Uniforms

6th PTA Board Meeting

7th PICTURE DAY, No Uniforms

13th SAC Meeting

16th Pro-Ed Day, NO SCHOOL

20th Pearls of Bay Point Induction

24th PTA Fall Festival, 5:00-8:00 PM



October 24, 2009 at 5:00-8:00 pm *Early Bird tickets* \$5

Clubs—Please be prompt picking up your child or they will be dismissed from clubs

Earth Force meets 2:55 pm -4:00 pm October 6th & 20th

Guitar Club meets 3:00 pm—3:45 pm *Beginners* on Mondays *Intermediate* and *Advanced* on Thursdays

Young Astronauts meets 2:55 pm -4:00 pm October 13th & 27th

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.

A Community of Master Learners



MATH SUPERSTARS Presented by BPE PTA!!

...Jason and Tracy Grant

This is a volunteer at home mathematics and problem solving enrichment program for students K-5. Students will receive rewards for achieving certain levels of completion on worksheets. Sign up now! Program starts Oct. 5 for grades 1-5; Jan. 25 for Kindergarten.

Let's Reach for the Stars!!

Thank you to these parents who have volunteered to grade classroom papers:

Elizabeth Anderson Kathy Blackett **Doris Chapel** Roger Cohen Jason Grant Lynn Guinagh Stacey Hughes Lynn Jurgensen Claudia Llach Grande Courtney McLaughlin Dawn Ottaviani Michelle Rogers Jonise Sherman Sonja Stiles Diane Kelley Sandra Jackson-Lamb

Lisa Brody
Marina Casanelles
Kristen Cohen
Nancy Comiskey
Tracy Grant
Michael Hughes
Julie Jones
Tom Lawery
Cinnamon McGeehan
Rachelle Myott
Diane Peebles
Cheryl Shaughnessy
Jessica Socash
Robin Cook
Stacy McCain

Noticias Olé

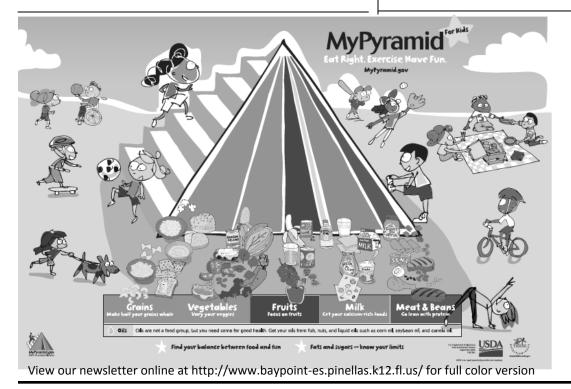
...Sra. Gómez

¡Saludos!

From September 15th to October 15th, people all over the United States are celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. Data from the U.S. Census Bureau shows that more than 41 million people are of Hispanic Origin. Many Hispanics have made big contribution to this country throughout the years. Some of the great Hispanic people we honor during this month are: Pablo Casals (Spanish Catalan cellist), Salvador Dalí (surrealist painter), Ellen Ochoa (astronaut and engineer), Roberto Clemente (first Latino in the Baseball Hall of Fame), César Chavez (civil rights activist), and Rita Moreno (singer, dancer and actress).

Raytheon Hispanic Organization for Leadership and Advancement (HOLA-Raytheon), once again, has invited Bay Point Elementary students to participate in a poster contest to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Poster must be an original creation by each student and must relate to Hispanic Heritage. The contest is open for grades 3rd thru 5th. There will be three prizes per grade level. Prizes will be Gift Cards from our own Scholastic Book Fair: 1st prize \$30.00, 2nd prize \$20.00, and 3rd prize \$15.00. Although the poster will be done in the classroom during the Spanish class, participation in the contest will be voluntary.

Let's celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month by encouraging our children to practice Spanish at home! ¡Español es chévere, olé!



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Raytheon - HOLA

Strike n Spare Fun Centers

Guidance Gab

...Ms. Kerry Cunningham

Hi parents! I am kicking off another year of classroom guidance activities and small group work. This year the Kindergarten class will once again be visited by I-Care-Cat as part of the Peacemaker program. 1st and 2nd grade will be participating in Second Step Violence Prevention, focusing on the Anger Management section. I've chosen the Solving Conflicts Creatively curriculum for 3rd and 4th grade with our initial focus on diversity. 5th graders will take part in an internet safety computer program and then we will move into a piece on careers. Also, I will be starting groups out at the end of October with my first group focusing on children whose families are involved in a parent separation and/or divorce. Please let your child's teacher know if you would like your child involved in this group. Thank you!



Sra. Jakubik and Ms. Cunningham

Please congratulate these students who are our peer mediators:

Marcus Everett Ciana Rogers **Charles Langer** Olivia Gleason Julia Dolson David Deister Reese Remington Marica James **Troy Redding Brandon Barco** Shurdon Parker Holleigh Bohanen Sathya Romero-Rueda Holly Spayde D'Asia Hobbs Dylan Lewis Ivy Penn Alyssa Kelly Ryan Calamari **Devon Ware** Brianna Neal Jamie Loomas

KUDOS to **Lisa Brody** Past SAC Chair 2010 Recipient of the "Heroes Among Us" Awarded by the St. Petersburg Bar Foundation

Help Us Keep Your Children Safe

- * No cars in the bus circle in the front
- ★ Students must have written permission to have a cell phone
- ★ Keep your phone numbers up to date in the front office
- ★ Present your driver's license to the receptionist if you wish to enter Campus

Attention Students

...Mrs. Bonnie Parker

Now you can use Britannica Online School Edition at school and at home!

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Username: <u>bpes</u> Password: Pinellas
Britannica Online School Edition provides easy access to a world of knowledge!

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- **★** Automatic Citations
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Everyday Math Online Site

...Ms. Angela Owens

Check out the site listed below. It has interactive activities students can complete online at home:

http://www1.center.k12.mo.us/edtech/ everydaymath.htm

Young Astronauts Launch a New Year

...Mr. John Barfield

The Young Astronauts Club will begin its journey on September 29. Our first meeting will be a meet and greet, learn the group rules, and information on just what the Young Astronauts Club is all about!

All members will have received their notifications on September 21st. Those not picked, will get their waiting list number that week also. We hope for a fun, and interesting time this year. Thanks in advance to all the parents, and administration that support our unique organization! I am listing all of the clubs meeting dates below, write these down on your calendar. See you all soon!

The club will meet from 2:55p.m. until 4:00p.m. on the following Tuesdays: Oct 13, 27, Nov 10, Dec 1(group 3 only!) 8, Jan 12, 26, Feb 9, 23, Mar 9,23, April 13, 27, May 11. The last meeting and rocket launch will be May 25, and will end at 4:30. On Saturday, May 8th there will be a family beach party at Fort DeSoto Park, North beach from 11:00a.m. until 3:00p.m. at shelter # 7.

John Barfield Coordinator Cindy Wilson, Assistant Coordinator Ms. Sue Godfirnon, Teacher advisor



Parent-Teacher Association

...Mrs. Dawn Smith, President

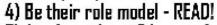
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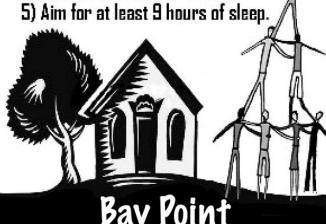
September was PTA membership month. We had a lot of classes competing for the popcorn party and prizes. We will let you know the winners in the next newsletter. If you haven't joined yet, it's not too late. You can get a membership envelope from the front office or download a form from the PTA website www.bpepta.org.

Just wanted to remind you all that the Fall Festival is just around the corner. Mark you calendars for October 24th from 5-8pm. This is a great family event you don't want to miss. This festival is done purely to bring our Bay Point families together for a night of fun so please plan to attend. We will sell tickets in the car circle the week before. Early bird tickets are 5 for a dollar. These tickets are used to play games, do crafts, go thru the haunted house, ride ponies, visit the petting zoo and buy food. Inside the newsletter you will find a volunteer sheet you can fill out to help us. We are only asking volunteers to help in 1 hour shifts so everyone can still enjoy the event. We are accepting candy donations (no chocolate please) for game prizes in the front office. Any questions please go to www.bpepta.org and email Chris Hudgens or Dawn Smith. Look forward to seeing you there. Dawn Smith

SUCCESS BEGINS @ HOME!

- 1) Ask your child what they learned today.
- 2) Establish a routine to do homework.
- 3) Encourage your child to read for fun, in a quiet place.





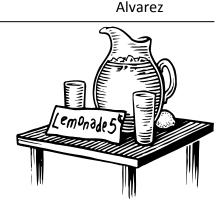
Center for the Advancement of Sciences & Technology

Ahout 1/2 of our teachers have been adopted!

Daniel & Jennifer Bell	Williams
Carl & Lisa Brody	Bouanene
Kathleen Carhart-Kiser	Wooten
Sergio Castro (Comnet)	Morgan
Randy B. Cornett, Inc.	Wooten
Steven Culbreath (Law Offices)	Cairns
Mari Czyszczon	Johnson
Andrea DeSouza Rimoli	Pierson
Autumn Dreyer– E & E Services	Morgan
Colleen Fleming—Central Florida	
Door and Hardware	Morgan
Chris and Brodie Harvey	Scott
William and Suzanne Icely	Scanlon
Michael Martinez-Colon	
and Omaris Saneaux	Pipino
Jeff Meister – Mad Scientist	Griffin
Mark and Tracy Milanese	Frady
Mark and Tracy Milanese	Wood
Surendr Babu Parvataneni	Cairns
Rick and Dawn Smith	Griffin
Rick and Dawn Smith	Bouanene
Ted and Valeria Strickland	Pierson
Scott Stroud	Pierson
Timothy and Mary Lynn Sullivan	R. Wilson

Thank You for your support of Emma's Lemonade \$\text{Stand}\$

Alice Thompson



Box Tops For Education \$512.70 to date!

Ask you family and friends to please collect:
Campbell's Soup Labels
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Sweetbay School Dollars (check your receipts)

And if you shop on-line, consider using this site to earn even more for the school: www.btfe.com

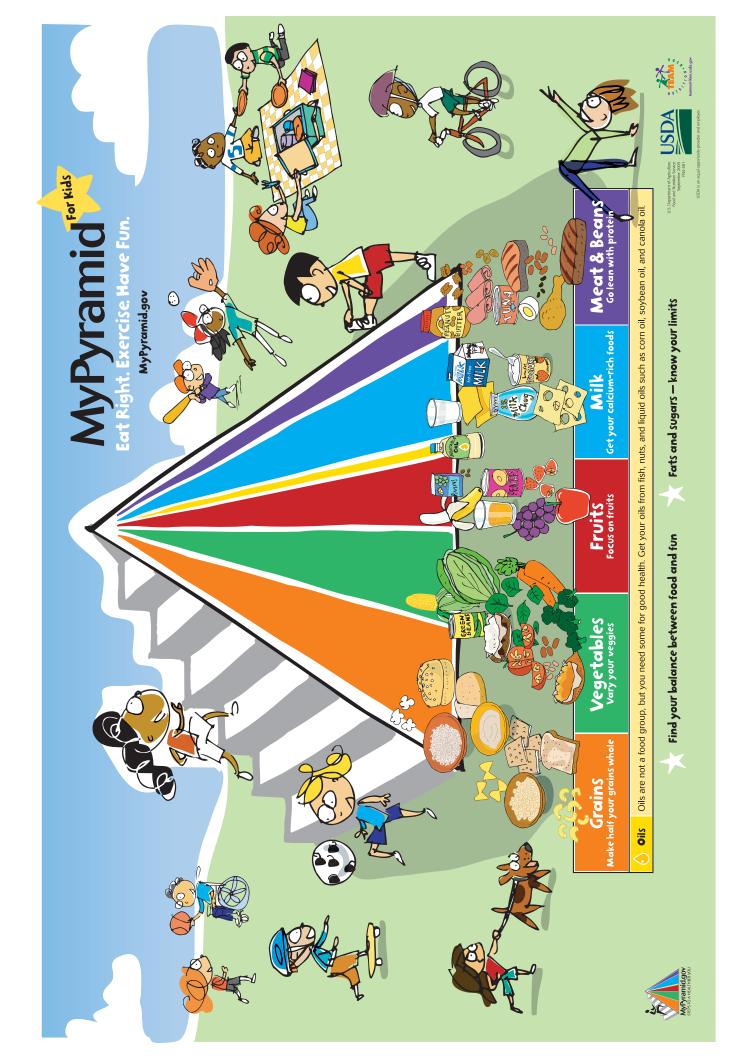
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May We Have Your E-mail Address?

Can you believe it? All the forms you filled out at the beginning of the year—and not one had a space for your e-mail!! It's just another way to facilitate communication (you can access ours on the school webpage by clicking the person's name.) Please fill out this form and return it to your child's teacher. Thank you!

Your Name:	
E-Mail: (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)	
	Teacher:
Child's Name:	Teacher:
The Great American Tead	Ch-In * November 18th
day, parents, grandpa our students. You come for a half hou We hope to see you! For more information	ted to come to The Great American Teach-In at Bay Point Elementary. On this arents and friends share their work experience, favorite hobby or interest with have an opportunity to broaden the horizons of our students. Speakers may r or for the day. on, email Cindy Petelle at petellec@pcsb.org, or check the website at o://it.pinellas.k12.fl.us/teachers7/petellec/index.html
I'm interested in participating	—please send me more information:
Name:	Topic:
E-Mail: (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)	Phone:
	oting a Class or program?
more to adopt a teacher? The Adopt A their class. (Science, Spanish, Art, Musi items. Some employers will match cont	en sponsored. Would you (or someone you know) consider contributing \$100 of Class program allows teachers to go beyond the basics to provide something for the same and PE would also benefit). Often they spend their own money for the stributions, so please consider asking where you work. Forms may be found in the s.k12.fl.us/teachers7/petellec/index.html, or send in the one below:
Name:	Teacher/Program:
Address:	The money is to be used this year for: Teacher's Discretion Classroom Supplies
Signed:	Please make checks payable to: Bay Point Elementary





Progress Energy Great American Teach-In

5800 22nd Street South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33712

727-552-1449

Thank you for your interest in participating in The Great American Teach-In at Bay Point Elementary Magnet School on Wednesday, November 18th.

Here is some information to help you plan your time at our school:

- You may choose to speak only to your child's class, or to several classes.
- You may come in for an hour, or for a day. School begins at 8:35 AM and our first speakers will start at 9:00 AM, present for about 25 minutes, and then each half hour throughout the day, until 1:00 PM.
- May we "double-up" classes? (If you would present to 2 classes at one time it allows more students access. This would bring the number of students up to 42). Please note your preferences on the attached form.
- Please remember these are elementary age children and attention spans may be limited. Hands on activities are often effective and fun for the kids.
- Consider wearing attire appropriate to the occupation or hobby you plan to discuss.
- If you plan to bring printed or audiovisual materials, please provide them to the school in advance. (All such materials must be age appropriate and approved by the principal.)
- Likewise, please check in advance if you have any handouts or "goodies" to share with the classes.
- There are some restrictions on bringing live animals on campus, please call for more information.

On the Day of the Teach-In:



- When you arrive on campus, please check in at the Front Office. You will be given a nametag, and a copy of your schedule.
- You are invited to lunch in *Club Olé*.
- Thank you for volunteering! Your presentation will broaden horizons!

If you have any questions, contact: Cindy Petelle, Family and Community Liaison Phone: 552-1449 e-mail: petellec@pcsb.org



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Name:	Organization:
Phone:	E-mail:
Address:street	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
What is Your Topic/Subject Matter?:	
What Equipment Do You Need?:(table, electrical	Outdoors?yesno
Please schedule me for my child's class:	and (teacher name) (teacher name)
I will speak to other classes as well. I p Kindergarten 1 st 2 nd 3 rd 4 th 5 th	refer these grades (circle all that apply):
I will present to one class <i>or</i> tw	vo classes (about 42 students) at a time.
Please check all the sessions you wish to speak to sign up their classes, so please plan to atte	•
9:30 11 10:00 12	1:00 :30 :00 :30
Will you join us for lunch?yesno	What is your child's lunch time?
Please return this form by Oct. 31 st to: (You may want to make a copy of this form for your own calendar before sending it in)	Cindy Petelle, Family and Community Liaison Bay Point Elementary Magnet School 5800 22 nd Street S., St. Petersburg, FL 3370

Thank you for making our day!