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December 2015

No School- Winter Break 21-31
Astro Skate 18

January 2016

No School- Winter Break 1 - 4
End of Semester 14
Teacher Planning Day
No School 15



Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are approaching the end of our second quarter grading period and 1st semester. Please continue to check your student's eSembler account, backpack, and teacher's websites. Positive parent involvement is one of the keys to increasing student success. Daily attendance is another way to increase student achievement. It is important for students to be in attendance everyday and for every class period. By strengthening our school to home partnership through a commitment to our student's education, we can reach our goals of career, college, and life readiness.

Winter is here. Please ensure your student is dressed for the cold weather and is within dress code rules. The Dress Code rules are attached to this newsletter for use as a reference. I hope everyone enjoys their holiday break from Dec. 20-Jan. 5th with their family and friends.

Mrs. Susan Seibert
Principal



SAC

The School Advisory Council supports family and community involvement in Florida public schools. The SAC will assist in the preparations of PRSMS annual School Improvement Plan, the expenditure of Title 1 funds, and determine other ways to improve our school.

SAC members are required to attend all SAC meetings. Meeting will begin at 7:30 A.M. in the media Center.

Dec. 17
Jan. 28 Feb. 25 Mar. 24
Apr. 21 May 26



Astro Skate Nights Will be held

Dec. 18 Jan. 15 Feb. 19
Mar. 18 Apr. 15 May 20

from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Entrance fee will cost \$7

then stay from 8-11 pm for free

Earn money for your school while having fun.

**Volunteers of the Month Congratulations

Mary Wells
Jamie Robey
Renee Nieman

Thank you for all your hard work handing out
Cookie Dough to our students.

If you would like to become a volunteer,
Remember to apply online: at
<http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/communications/volunteer>
you must be approved to begin volunteering!

Call Ms. J. Nantz
At 727-246-3230





Counselor's Nest



If you are looking for help for the holidays:

Metropolitan Ministries

3214 US Highway 19, Holiday, FL 34691

(727) 937-3268

*If your child is in need of warm clothing for the season,
please contact Ms. Coile at (727) 246-3214.*

Make your student's year unforgettable at Paul R. Smith Middle School

BUY A YEARBOOK

Don't wait to reserve your student's copy of the PRSMS yearbook!

Buy online at www.schoolpay.com or **in person** in **Mr. Heffron's room 3-232.**

Yearbooks are on sale for \$25 now. These are the days your child will want to remember forever.

Buy their yearbook now to help make it unforgettable.

Yugioh Duel Monsters Club



The Yugioh! Club has new champions this month:
Congratulations!

Jean Carlos: League Champ & Deck Master Champ

Colin & Quinton Murphy: Tag Dueling Champs

Math Lab



Resumes January 13, 2016

Wednesdays 7:45-8:15 a.m.

Room 3-104

Thank you staff

'Twas the week before Christmas at the middle school, and all the weary teachers and staff were losing their cool!

Santa searched for the ones that gave their time and hearts he wanted to thank them but how could he start?

So many hours, they worked without fuss
They worked for the children; they all gave so much.
What could he do to show them their worth;
The difference they made with all their hard work.

"I know" Santa said, "I'll open their eyes.

"They'll see clearly the impact they have on small lives.

They'll see smiles on faces that their work puts there;

They'll see kindness in children taught the lesson to care."

"They'll hear laughter from families that share in their days

They'll get hugs that without them would just go away."

"And at night when they rest, they'll sleep soundly and know

Their giving hearts keep the children aglow."



Stay in the loop

Stay informed

Being part of your child's school experience can help him succeed, even in the middle grades.

Stay informed

Parents of Paul R. Smith Middle School students are able to receive information about our school and events happening through our connect calls, school newsletter, and our school website. School newsletters are on our website and in our front office.

<http://prsms.pasco.k12.fl.us>

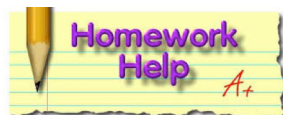
PRSMS on Facebook!



Please follow our school on Facebook to get updates, announcements, event information, and celebrations of student and staff success!

<https://www.facebook.com/eaglesprsms>

Homework Help



Parents & Students

Homework Help Has Begun!
Homework Help will be held every
Tuesday & Thursday
3:00 pm - 4:20 pm
Snack will be provided

Student's who need a bus stop assignment for the late bus, which leaves campus at 4:30 must communicate this to a teacher on their team. The teacher will present the student's name and the Homework Help team will request a bus stop for the student. It may take up to one week before a bus stop is assigned from District. The student must wait to receive confirmation that a bus stop has been assigned before staying after school.

Car riders, walkers, and bike-riders must inform a parent that they are staying after school for Homework Help. Car-riders must be picked up no later than 4:30 pm.

This is not "one-on-one tutoring". The students will be expected to work independently, and come to the Homework Help sessions with overdue assignments or homework. If they need some help to get started then they can seek help from one of the teachers who is part of the Homework Help Team.

Box Tops for Education



The Box Top for Education program is an easy way for you to help support our school every time you shop for groceries. Clip Box Tops for hundreds of your favorite products and have your child bring them into school. Each Box Top coupon is worth 10¢.



PRSMS Science teachers are very proud to announce the following students that will move on to the Pasco Regional Science and Engineering Fair in February. Congratulations!!

Gold Medal

Angelina
Kammerer
Ricky Hall
Haley Daabs

Silver Medal

Brady Booker
Kylie Pospiech
Stevie Konstas
Jillian Horn

Bronze Medal

Ben Smith
Kerri Bump
Isabella Voveris
Mickenzie
Wilson
Morgan Nieman

Alternates- On standby in case others cannot attend.

Danielle Hutchinson
Landon Barrett



Paul R. Smith Dress Code

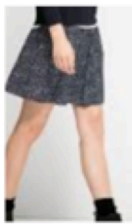
Dress Codes will be Enforce.

Dress Code Examples

No



Yes



Skirts/shorts can be no higher than 4" above knee.



Pants/Jeans/shorts need to be secured at the waist.

No



Yes



Shirts must cover the chest area and cover the shoulder.



Skirts/shorts can be no higher than 4" above knee.

No



Yes



Muscle Shirts are NOT permitted. Boy's must have sleeves on their shirts.

Take Stock in Children Scholarship Opportunity



Your child may be eligible for a wonderful opportunity – a **Take Stock in Children College Scholarship**. Since 1997, Take Stock in Children, a program within the Pasco Education Foundation and supported by Pasco County Schools has helped students from economically disadvantaged families achieve the goal of going to college. Awarded to Pasco County's undergraduates, the scholar's progress is continuously monitored through college.

The online application will be available, for 8th graders only, on December 3, 2015 and must be completed by January 24, 2016, found at:

www.pascoeducationfoundation.org .





Boys Basketball



A boys basketball informational meeting will be held, for students who wish to try out, on December 8th.

Boys will be called down to the Gym, after the morning news.
Open Gym will be held on December 14th and December 16th
from 3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Students must have a 2.0 GPA for the first semester of this year to participate.

PRSMS Athletics

Girl's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location
Dec. 2	BPMS	PRSMS
Dec. 7	CLMS	PRSMS
Dec. 9	CMS	PRSMS
Dec. 14	PRSMS	HMS
Dec. 16	PRSMS	GMS

Boy's Soccer

Date	Opponent	Location
Dec. 2	PRSMS	SSMS
Dec. 3	BPMS	PRSMS
Dec. 8	CLMS	PRSMS
Dec. 10	CMS	PRSMS
Dec. 15	PRSMS	HMS
Dec. 17	PRSMS	GMS

Girl's Soccer

Date	Opponent	Location
Jan. 25	GMS	PRSMS
Jan. 28	PRSMS	River Ridge
Feb. 1	PRSMS	SSMS
Feb. 4	BPMS	PRSMS
Feb. 8	CLMS	PRSMS
Feb. 11	CMS	PRSMS
Feb. 16	PRSMS	HMS
Feb. 18	PRSMS	GMS

Boy's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location
Jan. 20	GMS	PRSMS
Jan. 25	PRSMS	RRMS
Jan. 27	PRSMS	SSMS
Feb. 1	BPMS	PRSMS
Feb. 3	CLMS	PRSMS
Feb. 8	CMS	PRSMS
Feb. 10	PRSMS	HMS
Feb. 17	PRSMS	GMS

Girls Soccer Tryouts



Girl's soccer tryouts will be December 14th, 15th, and 16th.
A parent meeting will be held, on the December 17th at 3:15.



Athletic packet must be completed. Students must have a 2.0 GPA.