



**Princess Anne
Middle School**

The Panther Pride

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If you would like to share your story about a Great teacher you currently have or had at PAMS please email your story to GreatTeachers@VBSchools.com

President's Corner

Sliding towards the end of the school year the momentum is certainly picking up. Did you see the Sign Up Genius that was sent out on the 15th? So many of our staff members need the help and support of the PTA and our volunteers to help them achieve their goals for the end of the year. These goals involve our children. These goals benefit our children. These goals celebrate our children! The faculty at PA Middle wants your child to succeed but they cannot do it alone. Would you like to stand in front of 30+ adolescents and keep them engaged day in and day out? Think about it. Sending in that pack of muffins for the NJHS and SCA, or donating a bag of goldfish for the math SOL "cruise" is WAY easier than being in front of those eyes. Who look at you every day/ Who crave attention and the want to learn. Where is the closest store because I am there!



We hope that you all will join us on Saturday, April 30th from 10-2 for our Lend A Hand community event that we will host at the school in around the center courtyard, side parking lot and of course the 1 mile run on the track. It is a day to relax, enjoy the Spring weather and support PA Middle which is in turn supporting our community in so many ways.

Thank you for all of your support. Thank you for caring about the amazing school our children attend. Thank you for your time volunteering. It is noticed. And it is appreciated. Please be on the look out for more events coming up. We will be needed for SOL testing to monitor the halls, we still have concessions and we will need an army to pull off the 8th grade end of middle school picnic scheduled for Wednesday, June 15th right after school. Three people cannot possibly feed 400+ kids in a timely manner.....will you join us to help out?

Literacy Corner

Throughout this school year, I've been providing you with some food-for-thought about encouraging your middle grades children to continue to endeavor to be life-long readers. As the literacy coach and a former English teacher, this is a subject very dear to me. The article I would like to guide you to read this month comes from Forbes magazine and provides just a bit more incentive to keep our children reading—indeed, to be continuous readers ourselves—to become better, more effective leaders. The older I get, the less I find myself reading fiction. Instead, I turn to reading that will help me perform my job(s)—coaching and parenting—better. That doesn't mean my love

of fiction is gone, but perhaps my current need, to learn more in my fairly new position and to navigate my way through my children's tween and teen years, is more pressing. Our reasons for reading will change over time, but we must continue to model strong reading habits to our children and encourage them to build those habits as part of their everyday lives.



"Why Leaders Must Be Readers" Article Link: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/85broads/2012/08/03/why-leaders-must-be-readers/#dbc0fd065638>

Happy reading! Jennifer

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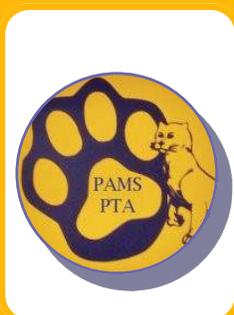
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Lost & Found

Just a reminder all items in lost and found will be donated to charity after Thursday 4/28/16. Students may check on lost and misplaced items during their PAMS/ Design Time Monday

through Thursday 4/24-4/28. They must have signed agendas. Items are located in Mr. Clarks office/ room 551. Students are reminded that items that are not theirs, should be neatly

returned to the appropriate bins.



Book Fair

Our final book fair for the year is April 25th through 29th. The book fair will be open for students to purchase books from 11:00am to 2:00pm during PAMS time. There will also be a book preview for teachers and students April 21st & 22nd from 9:30am to 3:30pm.

This book fair is a great opportunity for students and parents to take advantage of the buy one get one sale!

Interested in Volunteering to help at the Book Fair?

Please click the link below to review the available time slots:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f49abaf292-book>

Thanks in advance for giving your time to support the book fair!
PAMS PTA



Food Pantry



The PAMS food pantry, that services four PAMS families is in need of supplies. If you would like to donate a gift card to Walmart or the Commissary we will be happy

to do the shopping for you for them :) Thank you to all that have donated this year. It truly is an awesome feeling taking care of our own.

Homework Center

The Homework Center provides students a quiet, monitored place to complete homework and projects or to study. Laptops are available for students who have the need.

Before School: M-F / 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria

After School: M-TH / 3:55pm – 5:30pm- Room 106 (Activity Buses are available after school)

Library Offerings

The Library Media Center Before School @ Your Library program is available for all students. Students may come to the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM to check in/

Out books, research, print from flash drive, work on a group project, or BYOD.



Updated Volunteer Procedure

Virginia Beach City Public Schools has issued a new volunteer procedure. Please note that if you intend to volunteer in any capacity at any time during the school year, please

download and complete this volunteer agreement link, complete the form and return it to the PAMS security desk prior to volunteering. All forms must be verified in ad-

vance. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation
[REQUEST TO VOLUNTEER](#)



Log Your Volunteer Hours

Princess Anne Middle School and their PTA are grateful for all of their parent volunteers. Please remember to log your volunteer hours!! Logging your volunteer hours has now been

made easier. You can access the mobile friend website where you can log your volunteer hours quickly and easily. Should you not have access to a smartphone, tablet or com-

puter, the Volunteer binder is still available at the security desk for your convenience. New Volunteer Website - [LOG YOUR HOURS HERE](#)

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Harris Teeter

Re-Link your VIC card. Visit www.harristeeter.com or give the number 6741 at the register. Either way works! Harris Teeter will donate a percentage of your purchase to Three Oaks. We have to re-link every year after August 1st.

Target

Raising funds for our school is as easy as using your REDcard. Designate our school through Take Charge of Education to give our kids a boost. And save 5% every time you shop. REDcards are available as a debit or credit card. The new Chip-and-PIN cards will need to be enrolled. The account numbers are different from the original REDcards. Enroll at Target.com/TCOE or call 1-800-316-6142.



Farm Fresh



No more receipts! Key tags have already gone home. Parents and supporters scan your key tag to help our school earn free educational equipment.

Both Harris Teeter & Target send us a check to support student activities. Farm Fresh provides a list of educational equipment for us to order. Encourage extended family and neighbors to support these programs. This is a simple process and a win win for all.

Labels for Education

From soup, cereal and snacks to dairy products, beverages and food storage – your kitchen’s probably full of eligible *Labels for Education*® items. Get clipping and start earning free stuff for your school! Turn them in to your homeroom teacher



Click to keep up on our events



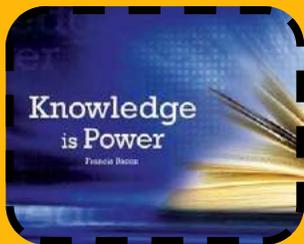
Panther Paws with a Cause

is participating in Cycle for Survival again this year. However, this year we are throwing all of our support behind Ben Goldberg. He is a 7 year old boy that lives in Virginia Beach and has a rare form of cancer. News reporter Andy Fox has challenged him to see who can raise the most money, and of course we love a challenge! We want to beat Andy Fox and raise a lot of money to help Ben and



pediatric cancer research. Below you will find a link to our page. We appreciate any support you can provide.

http://mskcc.convio.net/site/TR/CycleforSurvival/CycleforSurvival?px=3397542&pg=personal&fr_id=2490



Please join us as we pay special tribute in April, Month of the Military child, to all of PAMS Military Connected Students.

The entire student body and staff are invited, throughout the entire month of April, to stop by PAMS Military Rock Stars wall of fame outside of the lunch room to write messages of appreciation and recognition.

April 22nd- PAMS JS2S will be hosting a VIP Reception for our Military Rock Stars. All Military Connected Students are invited to stop by Room 309 during their lunch or PAMS time for this special event.

Also, **April 22nd everyone is encouraged to gear up** in their patriotic colors or military branch apparel to commemorate our "Stars."

Lastly, we will be **Remembering Everyone Deployed Friday, April 29th by wearing Red.**



SCA Spirit Week

Monday, April 25:

Crazy Hair Day

Tuesday, April 26:

Rainbow Day

Wednesday, April 27:

Twin Day

Thursday, April 28:

School Colors Day, SCA Elections during lunches for 6th and 7th graders only

Friday, April 29:

Wear Red Day, SCA Election results announced



KEEP CALM AND DRESS UP FOR SPIRIT WEEK

PTA! Membership Update:

[JOIN HERE](#)

We are at 1,140 Members and only 338 members away from reaching 100% PTA membership. It is never too late and your support is always appreciated. Let us once again be the ONLY middle school in the city to achieve our 100% membership goal!



School Store

The school store is located in the Library Media Center and is open daily from 8:55am until 9:10am. Supplies include: pencils, lead refills, flash drives, spiral notebooks, rulers, etc. A

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SPIRIT... SPIRIT... LET'S HEAR IT!!

Get your PAMS Spirit Wear now and make a statement loud and clear. We're Panthers and We're Proud!!

