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The Panther Pride

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Mark Your Calendars

June 7th:
8th Grade
Semi-Formal Dance
7-9 pm Cafe

June 10th:
8th Grade Cook-out
Celebration
3:50-5:20

June 14th:
Early Dismissal
Last Day of School

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"Success comes when we all pull together"

Principal's Corner – June 2013

As we head off into summer at the end of another successful school year, I want to take some time to reflect. First though, on behalf of the entire staff, we want to wish over 450 8th grade students all the best as they move on to the next phase of their education and their lives. We know they will make us proud!

In looking back I must once again offer thanks to the PTA and the parents who support our students and staff. It is because of you we have been able to accomplish a major library redesign, to maintain our thriving Rachel's Challenge program, to undertake beautification projects of the grounds, to provide much needed athletic equipment, to provide resources to support our music programs, and to accomplish many other goals. This is the result of over \$30,000 given to support the school just this year! Just as impressive is the time you have given. We cannot express enough appreciation for the over 150 parents who have logged hours working with athletics and music programs, chaperoning dances and field trips, serving on boards and councils, and volunteering in the office and classrooms! Please know we welcome you and we appreciate everything you offer.

Throughout the year, Princess Anne students have demonstrated a commitment to academic excellence, and a high standard of citizenship and service, while competing and excelling in both academic and athletic endeavors. Students from Princess Anne have participated in and been recognized for excellence in events and contests including the Tidewater District Science Fair, the Elie Weisel essay contest, and the Physics Olympics held at ODU. Our music programs have received the highest honors in both district, regional, and national competitions. PAMS' students were again selected to perform for the mayor and state leaders on the National Day of Prayer and for the Human Rights Commission program. PAMS' students also excelled in a STEM Robotics competition, qualified for state competition in Destination Imagination, and won 2 team City championships, 4 Southern Division championships, and several individual championships in soccer, volleyball, wrestling, forensics, and track, while earning a citywide sportsmanship award. The list goes on and on.

PAMS' students made us proud away from school this year as well: 6th graders partnered with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation to work on environmental restoration and conservation projects in Back Bay and along the Chesapeake. The 6th grade also traveled to Kellam to see *Grease*, while the 8th graders traveled to Monticello, Montpelier, and Washington, DC. In every case the feedback we received was evidence that our students conducted themselves with the highest caliber of citizenship and class.

Calling
all 8th
Graders!!



Don't
Forget!!!

8th Grade
Cookout
June 10th



THANK YOU
PAMS SCA AND
GARDEN CLUB
FOR DECORATING
THE COURT YARD
WITH PAW PRINTS
COMPLIMENTS OF
"NAPOLEON"

Principal's Corner (continued)

Our students' service to others is also breathtaking, whether by coming together to raise money for Hurricane Sandy victims, tornado victims in Moore, OK, or for Cerebral Palsy of Virginia during our Land a Hand Day. They have reached out to the hungry, and the homeless. They have offered time and resources to raise awareness of and money for breast cancer, heart health, and the United Way. They have provided mentorship to each other and to elementary students who look up to them. In so many ways, they have proven themselves valuable and contributing citizens of both our local community and the global community.

As I travel throughout the building I routinely see students highly engaged in content and challenged to utilize their thinking skills and creativity. The evidence of it is everywhere you turn. Though the data is still coming in, it is evident our students' performance on SOL tests will once again place us among the highest performing middle schools in the area! Additionally, the final report cards heading home after school is out will feature nearly 1,000 students on honor roll or principal's list!

Thank you, parents, for your continued support of our efforts to become a true 21st century school, for ensuring your child attends school regularly, for supporting the hard work of teachers, for fostering citizenship values in your children, and for enabling students to take advantage of so many of the opportunities that present themselves. Together, staff, parents, and students are making a difference in the Princess Anne Middle community. Enjoy the respite summer brings, and we will look forward to reconvening in September to continue the process of developing future scholars, leaders, and citizens.

D. Alex Bergren
Principal, Princess Anne Middle School

Look at What These Students Did!!!!



To Mrs. Zajac's students
Chase C., Tim S., and Michael M.
for their honorable mention in the eCybermission
STEM competition.

These boys put in a lot of time and effort and
have been awarded a tool kit each.

Business-Recycling Club Challenge

The Business-Recycling Club would like to challenge each student/parent and staff member to bring in at least one electronic recyclable item before the end of the school year. Items can be: old cell phones, ink cartridges, MP3 players, iPods, digital cameras, GPS devices and tablet computers!

OUR GOAL IS TO COLLECT 1, 580 ITEMS!

Students may give their items to their homeroom teacher or bring them to Mrs. Vinikoff in room 623. Parents may drop their items off at the front security desk.

****REMEMBER, PAMS RECYCLING EFFORTS ARE ONGOING!
WE COLLECT ITEMS EVERY DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR!**



Guidance Needs YOUR Help!!!!

Corey McGinnis and Jenny Hinton, upcoming 6th grade counselors, would like to begin the next school year (2013-2014) asking new Panthers to create a time capsule. Sixth graders will be asked to answer a series of questions and will then seal their "capsules" in self-addressed, stamped envelopes. These time capsules will be mailed to the students upon their graduation from 8th grade. Hopefully, this will provide students with tangible evidence of their growth over the span of their middle school years!



Ms. McGinnis and Ms. Hinton would be very grateful for donations of legal-sized envelopes for this project. Students may bring in boxes of envelopes and leave them in Ms. McGinnis' office or parents may, of course, drop by and bring them in. Envelope donations will be accepted now until the end of summer.

On behalf of the guidance office, thank you so much for the contributions to our food pantry, our school supply closet, as well as the games and other specific items requested. Your support helps us to support Panther students and their families!



Ms. McGinnis is also requesting donations of **chewing gum (any kind)**, **colored index cards** and **tooth picks** for a special project for upcoming 6th graders. Again, these can be left in guidance now or throughout the summer. Thank you so much for your help!!

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Principles of American Citizenship

Princess Anne Middle School is proud to present the Principles of American Citizenship nominees for the month of April!

Congratulations Students! **YOU HAVE BEEN NOTICED!**

Month of April: **Self-Control**

6th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Kylie G.	Ammons	Madison C.	Hoey
James L.	Anoia	Skylar F.	Johnson
Jarod T.	Arnett	Atticus T.	McMurray
Atuyana N.	Campbell	Sophie S.	Metsker
Adrianna L.	Chasse	Isabella M.	Scheuer
Logan G.	Cobb	Gavin T.	Walton
Sarah H.	DeWitt	Brandon C.	Williams
Kaylin D.	Hamby	Harriet A.	Zell

7th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Harrison J.	Abrams	Joel F.	McClelland
Nicole F.	Byrd	Evan S.	O'Malley
Grace J.	Chaves	Sydney C.	Parker
Deven N.	Dean	Collin H.	Reyes
Ethan B.	Hardin	Tiffani W.	Roan
Brooke K.	Hayward	Colby F.	Solheim
Autumn R.	Heischober	Will O.	Thompson
Aiden C.	Henry	Ashli D.	Trojnar
Austin D.	Malbon	Jay B.	Womick

8th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Josh U.	Agami	Diamond M.	Hopkins
James M.	Buddenhagen	Jacob S.	Irish
Heather B.	Cash	Kim B.	Marx
Savannah M.	Cole	Wyatt B.	McGinnis
Tanner K.	Doyle	Eric B.	Morgan
Jamison A.	Dunlo	CJ J.	Perry
Breana R.	Felter	Savannah V.	Sudduth
Sean B.	George	Emily W.	Walsh
Tavion W.	Hart	Cade K.	Zajac



Harriet A. (6th grade: Zell) was selected as the overall winner for Princess Anne Middle School for the trait of

Self-control: keeping one's own emotions, desires and actions restrained.

Her nomination was sent to the Virginia Beach Council of PTA's for the District Awards.

WAY TO GO HARRIET!!!

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Month of May: **Trustworthiness**

6th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Madison S.	Ammons	Melissa B.	Hoey
Sara B.	Anoia	Philip S.	Johnson
Jackson F.	Arnett	Thomas S.	McMurray
Jocelyn C.	Campbell	Anthony C.	Metsker
Mylei H.	Chasse	Juliana S.	Scheuer
Julia P.	Cobb	Timothy W.	Walton
Sydney P.	DeWitt	Nevah P.	Williams
Elizabeth C.	Hamby	Kaitlyn C.	Zell

7th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Kinsey W.	Abrams	Joel F.	McClelland
Dalton L.	Byrd	Katie R.	O'Malley
Kylee D.	Chaves	Ryan K.	Parker
Kaeley B.	Dean	Elise W.	Reyes
Donald O.	Hardin	Kendall C.	Roan
Logan E.	Hayward	Christian H.	Solheim
Rosa M.	Heischober	Krista W.	Thompson
Joseph B.	Henry	Shane B.	Trojnar
Giavanna R.	Malbon	Jillian S.	Womick

8th Grade			
Nominee	Teacher	Nominee	Teacher
Tim R.	Agami	Hailey H.	Hopkins
Raven T.	Buddenhagen	Rachel B.	Irish
An H.	Cash	Stephanie B.	Marx
Jenalyn M.	Cole	Alyssa H.	McGinnis
Zack R.	Doyle	Kelsey W.	Morgan
Dejuana T.	Dunlo	Emily B.	Perry
Myra F.	Dunn\Adams	Danielle I.	Sudduth
Stephanie B.	Felter	Adrienne M.	Walsh
Katie B.	George	Serena M.	Zajac
Sam R.	Hart		



Logan E. (7th grade: Hayward) was selected as the overall winner for Princess Anne Middle School for the trait of **Trustworthiness:** earning the sense of reliability and care from others

His nomination was sent to the Virginia Beach Council of PTA's for the District Awards.

WAY TO GO LOGAN!!!



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 search for **Princess Anne Middle
 School PTA**



HAVE SCHOOL SPIRIT??
 WANT TO SHOW IT???

Click on the link below
 to get your own
 PAMS Spirit Wear

<http://www.pamsptavb.com/spirit-wear.html>

No Plans This Summer? Look No Further...

OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY is holding its 5th annual STEM engineering camp, "Engineers Rule!", this summer. 6th, 7th and 8th grade "future engineers" will have a blast learning what engineering is all about. This exciting, week-long experience will build teamwork skills and electrify interest in engineering as a possible career. Hands-on activities engage students in mechanical, electrical, marine and civil engineering concepts, experiments and demonstrations. A bridge design contest and graduation ceremony will culminate this experience. Camps are available June 24-28, July 15-19 and August 5-9 from 9am-4:30pm. The cost is \$350.00. For more information go to <http://www.odubusinessgateway.com/camps/activities/>.

THE MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT CAMP is designed to provide middle school students with an **OVERVIEW OF MODELING AND SIMULATION AS IT RELATES TO CONTENT BUILDING STRATEGIES AND THE CUTTING EDGE DESIGN OF MOBILE APPLICATIONS**. Middle school students who are interested in exploring educational and career pathways in science, technology, engineering and mathematics are encouraged to attend the camp June 24-27 at the Virginia Beach Advanced Technology Center. The cost of the four-day camp is \$299 per participant, and *students who attend each day of camp will receive a Tidewater Community College Certificate of Completion and earn Continuing Education Units*. Complete registration form and payment of \$299 are due June 8, 2013. Registration information can be found at www.tcc.edu/wd.

Are you interested in **video game design**, **robotics**, **photography**, **web design** or **3D animation**? There has never been a better or more important time to engage in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education! iD Tech Camps is offering weeklong camps at over 60 prestigious universities nationwide, including the College of William and Mary. Over the past 14 years, over 150,000 students have participated, creating websites, digital movies, C++ and Java programs, iPhone and Android apps, robots, 3D animations, video games and more. Interested students should pick up a flyer in the guidance office or visit www.internalDrive.com.

BROWN UNIVERSITY is hosting the **SPARK MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER SCIENCE PROGRAM**. It provides inquisitive middle school students with the ideas, resources and tools they need to nurture their **ACADEMIC CURIOSITY** in the sciences. Students will stay on an Ivy League campus, challenge themselves with science problems, and perform experiments and much more. To learn more and to apply, visit www.brown.edu/summer.

THE YOUTH CAREER CENTER OF HAMPTON ROADS is offering **SUMMER CAREER IMMERSION PROGRAMS** on a variety of topics including **Careers in Visual Arts**, **Careers in Engineering**, and **Mad About Science**. Contact them at 233-8686 or at youthcareercenter@oihr.org.

Labels for Education & Farm Fresh Receipts

We are collecting "Labels for Education" and Farm Fresh receipts!!! This program helps the school to purchase additional supplies that are used to help further the learning process of all students at Princess Anne Middle School. Please make sure to save these items and send them to the office. Every receipt and label helps! Thank you!



Have YOU Re-Linked YOUR VIC Card???

Lend a helping hand.



Shop at Harris Teeter?

Want to earn **CASH** for PAMS?

Link your Harris Teeter VIC card to PAMS using #6741 and earn money for your school every time you shop!!!

Reduce... Reuse... Recycle... Repeat...



The Business-Recycling Club needs your help! Please bring to room 623 your old cell phones, empty printer cartridges, mp3 players and digital cameras.

Students, for each item that you bring in you will receive a ticket for a chance to win a prize! Prizes are given out quarterly!

If you have any questions, see Mrs. Vinikoff in room 623. Thanks for your help!

Have a Fun and Safe Summer!!!!



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