



2025

Panther Tales

MARCH EVENTS

- February 24- March 4 Autism Awareness Fundraiser
- March 3-7 Read Across America Week
- March 4 PTA Ice Flyers on Campus
- March 6 Spring Pictures
- March 6 Shining Star Awards
- March 7 Roy L. Hyatt Night of Nature (Flyer Attached)
- March 7 ECPS National Day of Unplugging
- March 7 2nd Grade Fieldtrip
- March 7,14, 28 PTA Spirit Sales
- March 9 Daylight Savings Begins
- March 10 PTA MEGA PARTY
- March 12 Blue Wahoo's Kazoo Visit
- March 14 PTA Ice Flyers Spirit Night
- March 14 End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- March 17-21 Spring Break
- March 25 Deadline to order Custom Yearbook Pages
- March 26 Field Day
- March 31 Report Cards in FOCUS
- March 31- April 4 Autism Awareness Week
- April 1 4th Grade Writing Test
- April 1 Yearbook order deadline
- April 6 Pine Meadow's Blue Wahoos Game Day
- April 10-11 1st Grade Field trip
- April 18 Teacher Planning Day/ No school for students
- April 15-16, 23-24, 30 5th Grade Star Base Field Trips
- April 22 Earth Day
- April 23 Kona Ice
- April 25 Cupcakes with Mom
- April 26 Battle of the Books
- April 29 Academic Teams Celebrate

WE ARE PANTHERS AUTISM AWARENESS



**February 24- March 4
FUNDRAISER – Wristbands \$2**

Autism Awareness Day is Tuesday, April 1st

The week of March 31st - April 4th will be full of many school wide events to bring awareness & acceptance for those with Autism and other disabilities.

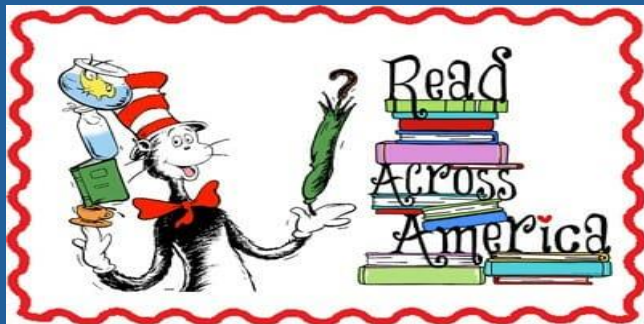
Please Join us Friday, April 4th by wearing your new glow in the dark blue “We Are Panthers Autism Awareness” Wristband to support our Pine Meadow Panthers! Cash or check only please! (Please make checks out to PME Autism Awareness Fundraiser.)

Order forms have been sent home!



FORTIFYFL

Dr. Seuss/ Celebrate Reading Week March 3- 7



Monday, March 3 "Fox in Socks"
Wear crazy socks



Tuesday, March 4 "Cat in the Hat"

Wear a RED shirt or THING shirt if you have one (we will be dressing up as THINGS)



**Wednesday, March 5
"Wacky Wednesday"**

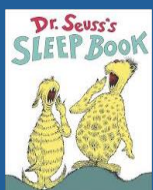
Wear wacky, tacky, clothes, hair, socks shoes etc.



Thursday, March 6

"The Cat in the Hat Comes Back"

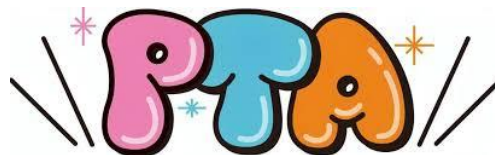
Wear a BLACK shirt (we will be dressing up a cats)



Friday, March 7 The Sleep Book

Wear Pajamas

Kindergarten Classes will be celebrating "Read Across America" week by reading and participating in many activities based on books by Dr. Seuss. All students are encouraged to participate but it is not required.



Tuesday, March 4

Ice Flyer Players will be on campus.

March 14

Join us on March 14 for an unforgettable night of hockey and fun at Youth Jersey Giveaway Night Presented by White Smiles. For every Gold level ticket sold, the Ice Flyers will generously donate \$5 to our organization, and \$3 for every Silver ticket. This is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy thrilling ice hockey action while contributing to our PTA's fundraising efforts. Don't miss out on the chance to watch the Ice Flyers in action and support Pine Meadow Elementary at the same time.

March 14 is youth jersey giveaway night. The first 1500 kids (12 and under) will receive a Pensacola Ice Flyers jersey for free. *More info to come!*



March Dates:

7, 14, 28



March 10

Top Sellers for Cookie Dough Sales will be invited to the MEGA PARTY!

March 6



Please join us on **Friday, March 7, 2025**, as we put down our devices and reconnect.



To draw attention to the serious mental and social harm addiction to technology causes for our youth in the United States, ECPS will take a day to 'unplug' and focus on intentional personal interaction. Schools are encouraged to promote activities which bring students together, without technology.

- ~Almost two-thirds of children spend four or more hours a day on their smartphones.
- ~Teenagers spend an average of nine hours a day on their smartphone.
- ~66% of teenagers feel anxious when they don't have their smartphones.
- ~The average person checks their smartphone more than 150 times per day.
- ~47% of Americans admit they're addicted to their smartphones.

2ND GRADE FIELD TRIP

MARCH 7



The Fresh from Florida Advocacy Program will provide students with a hands-on event exploring various stations learning to understand where many of the products they use daily come from and that agriculture is more than just farming.

Kazoo Visits Pine Meadow

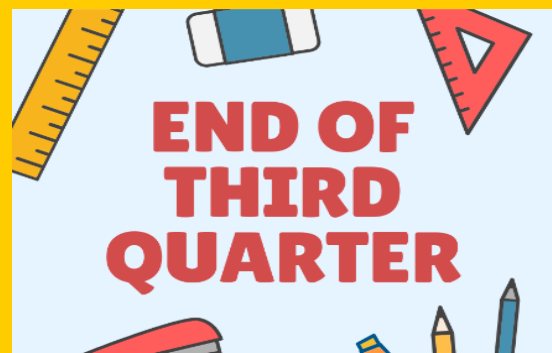
March 12



The Blue Wahoos have invited our school to participate in Kazoo's reading program this year! Each student at our school who reads 4 level appropriate books will receive a ticket to the April 6th Blue Wahoos game. This program is **Absolutely FREE!**

Kazoo's visit will promote this program and his story will be read to all students. This is a student event only! Join in the fun! See you at the game!

Look for information coming home soon!



March 14

READY, SET...
SPRING BREAK!

March 17-21

yearbook

MEMORIES ARE MADE TO BE REMEMBERED

Deadline to Order Custom Pages:
March 25

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook
(Must be a parent or student 13 years or older)

1. Go to www.treering.com/validate
2. Enter your school's passcode:
1012923600032466

Price: \$20.22

Yearbook Deadline for School Delivery:
April 1

March 31



It's that time again!



MARCH 31- APRIL 4

GET TO KNOW SOMEONE
ON THE SPECTRUM AND
YOUR LIFE WILL TRULY
BE BLESSED.

March 26



Let the Games Begin!

This year's Field Day will be
Superbowl themed. P. E. will be
sending home information soon!



TOP 10 TEAMWORK SKILLS EVERY CHILD NEEDS



01. Communication

Every child needs communication skills because it helps them express their thoughts and feelings, understand others, make friends, and work well with people.

Every child needs collaboration skills because they help in working together with others. Collaboration skills allow children to share ideas, solve problems as a team, and accomplish tasks together.

02. Collaboration



03. Active listening

Active listening helps them pay attention, show that they care, and learn from others. It's an important skill for effective communication, building strong relationships, and succeeding in various social situations.

These skills help them think critically, make decisions, and find creative ways to overcome obstacles. Problem-solving is important for learning, handling conflicts, and preparing children to tackle different situations in life with confidence.

04. Problem-solving



05. Time Management

Learning time management early on can contribute to a sense of responsibility and efficiency as children grow and take on more responsibilities in school and daily life.

Teaching children leadership skills can encourage confidence, responsibility, and the ability to positively influence those around them. These skills are valuable in various aspects of life, including school, friendships.

06. Leadership



07. Flexibility

Teaching children to be flexible helps them develop resilience, cope with change, and navigate different circumstances with a positive attitude. These skills are important for their personal growth and success in various aspects.

Empathy involves recognizing and responding to the emotions of those around them. This skill is crucial for fostering positive connections with peers, family members, and the broader community, contributing to a more empathetic and understanding society.

08. Empathys



09. Conflict Resolution

Children need conflict resolution skills to navigate disagreements and problems in a positive way. These skills involve learning how to communicate effectively, listen to others, and find solutions that are fair to everyone involved.

Maintaining a positive attitude is crucial when working in a team, and children need to learn how to encourage and support their teammates.

10. Positive Attitude





VANCE BEEKS

Escambia County Principals Association in partnership with WSRE & PBS for the Gulf Coast honor students in the 28th Shining Star Award Ceremony March 6, 2025.

Shining Star students are honored for their good citizenship, leadership, and adherence to the core values of the Escambia County School District:

- ✓ Equality
- ✓ Responsibility
- ✓ Integrity
- ✓ Respect
- ✓ Honor
- ✓ Patriotism

Vance Beeks sets a great example for outstanding behavior and citizenship in the classroom. He is a terrific leader who leads others by his actions and motivates his classmates to do their best. Vance is extremely kind and generous to all his peers, and he helps others whenever necessary without being asked. His positive attitude reflects his outgoing personality and his character. In addition to his outstanding citizenship, Vance is also an exceptional student. His pursuit of academic excellence reflects his values and his investment in his education. Vance is a student that others in his class strive to emulate.



Outdoor Spring Break Activities

- ~Plant an edible garden
- ~Go on a nature walk in your backyard or around the block
- ~Learn to fly a kite
- ~Sleep underneath the stars by camping in the backyard
- ~Plan an outdoor scavenger hunt
- ~Have a picnic in the park
- ~Break out the bonfire pit and make s'mores
- ~Decorate the driveway with chalk
- ~Shoot hoops or kick a soccer ball
- ~Take a bike ride

Indoor Spring Break Activities

- ~Build a fort with blankets and pillows
- ~Test out a new recipe
- ~Make a book report of your child's favorite story
- ~Host a fashion show to mix and match fun outfits
- ~Make a movie—develop the characters, story, and script, then film it
- ~Practice a new skill, whether it's making paper airplanes, juggling, or doing magic tricks
- ~Research a favorite topic and create a report
- ~Plan an at-home spa day
- ~Have a photo shoot throughout the house

Crafty Spring Break Activities

- ~Make a collage with nature (twigs, leaves, flowers, etc.)
- ~Make play dough
- ~Create collages using bits of paper, buttons, and other crafting materials
- ~Make jewelry with beads, string, shells, or clay
- ~Whip up some homemade slime
- ~Create paper bag puppets—then put on a puppet show for the whole family
- ~Build DIY bird feeders to hang in the yard
- ~Paint rocks to use as decorative paperweights
- ~Make a castle out of a cardboard box
- ~Create homemade cards for friends and relatives
- ~Design a time capsule about your family—then bury it in the backyard

Energetic Spring Break Activities

- ~Set up an obstacle course (indoors or outdoors)
- ~Throw a dance party with your family's favorite tunes
- ~Play yard games: Red Rover, Hopscotch, or Kick the Can
- ~Go bowling outdoors; you need some bottles and a ball
- ~Try out an online exercise video
- ~Host your own family Olympic games in the backyard
- ~Play "floor is lava"



NIGHT OF NATURE

ROY HYATT ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER'S NIGHT OF NATURE



MARCH 7, 2025
5:30 PM - 8:00 PM
1300 Tobias Road
Cantonment, FL 32533

**This is a FREE event!
Open to the Public**

But we do love donations!

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| Cash or Checks | Wild Birdseed |
| Gift Cards to: | Fruit and Nut Birdseed |
| Walmart | Turtle Pellets |
| Grocery stores | Kale or Collard Greens |
| Lowe's | Strawberries |
| Home Depot | Blueberries |
| Pet Stores | Blackberries |
| | Bleach |
| | Handsanitizer |

Event Highlights

Birds of Prey ◀

Wildlife Sanctuary of Northwest Florida with birds of prey

Night Hikes in the Woods ◀

Go on Naturalist lead night hikes through the woods

Look at the Stars ◀

Escambia Amateur Astronomy Association with telescopes

Creatures of the Night ◀

Meet cool creatures of the night with Sunset Wildlife Connection

Blast Off Into Space ◀

Enter the inflatable planetarium and enjoy an amazing adventure

Aquatic Creatures ◀

Visit the Beach House to observe amazing aquatic creatures



SCAN TO MAKE A DONATION TO RHEC

FOOD TRUCKS ON SITE

