

OCTOBER 2024

happy
Thanksgiving

The Cobra Courier

“Together We Will”

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Dear Park Vista Families:

The school year is flying by as we celebrate the academic work of our students and share with you their first quarter report cards, issued in hard-copy on October 24, 2024. We commend your support of our students as we recognize your continued commitment and contribution to student success.

Our Medical Sciences Academy hosted its annual Haunted Hospital on the evening of October 25, coupled with a Trunk-or-Treat event created by our club sponsors. HOSA sold 579 general admission tickets to the Haunted Hospital, and Ms. Ladd, Ms. Boff, and Mr. Wallwork helped coordinate this very successful event that serves as a fundraiser for the academy.

Our Spanish Honor Society (La Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica) Induction, led by Senora Patricia Martinez, was held after school on October 30 and commended eight new inductees for their outstanding work. The purpose of the society, which includes over 1,600 chapters, is to recognize the achievement of high school students in the study of Spanish and Portuguese and to promote a continuing interest in Hispanic, Portuguese, and Brazilian studies.

As the Thanksgiving break approaches (November 23 - December 1, 2024), we are reminded of the amazing school community that we serve and wish to share our gratitude for our teachers, paraprofessionals, secretaries, bus drivers, school counselors, coaches, food service staff, language facilitators, administrators, custodians, support staff and wonderful volunteers who make a positive difference in students’ lives daily. School is back in session on December 2 after the break ends, and will be an ODD schedule day.

On behalf of the entire Cobra family, I would like to wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday. Thank you for staying connected with us in Cobra Country!

Dr. Enrique Vela
Principal



SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

The Granada Chapter of the Spanish Honor Society held its induction ceremony of 9 new members on Wednesday, October 30. The ceremony was conducted by the officers. This year's officers are **Gabriela Gonzalez, President, Melanie Bolko, Vice President, Aimee Mercedes, Secretary, Abril Rodriguez, Treasurer and Kassandra Moreno, Historian.** The new members applied for membership and were accepted as candidates based on fulfillment of the requirements of the national organization, The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. The national qualifications for membership include three semesters of high school Spanish, an overall GPA of 3.0 and a 3.5 GPA in Spanish. The new members will continue to fulfill the goals of the society, which are to promote the Spanish language and culture and to foster better communication and understanding in our global community through community outreach programs and the after school tutoring program within Park Vista. ¡Felicidades! or Congratulations, to all!

INDUCTEES

Riley August
Hector Crespo
Juan De La Torre
Maia Hassan
Gabriela Pedreros
Jesse Tuman
Aiden Ventura Mimbela
Amber Whitehouse



Felicidades



PARK VISTA HIGH SCHOOL CANNED FOOD DRIVE

DONATION BOXES
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STUDENT ACTIVITIES
CLUB SPONSORS ROOM
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Sponsored by:
PARK VISTA'S INTER CLUB COUNCIL

Rho Kappa National Honor Society

October 2024

TRUNK OR TREAT!

With our induction ceremony only a few weeks prior, we were excited to see how Rho Kappa came together to participate in Trunk or Treat, an ICC event hosted alongside our Medical Academy's annual Haunted Hospital. We received so much candy from our members (see below), that we were able to share with other trunks as well! From Mickey to monkeys, the Halloween costumes this year were on point. What a great way to kick off the 2024-25 Rho Kappa Chapter! Stay tuned for all of the fun service projects to come.



Suspicious Activity Reporting App

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials.

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HAUNTED HOSPITAL

On October 25, the HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America) Club hosted the annual Park Vista Haunted Hospital. 162 HOSA students, under the supervision of their sponsor Mr. Wallwork and the Medical Academy Teachers, work tirelessly to transform the Medical Sciences Academy building in to a maze of delightfully scary themed scenes. The event brings hundreds of community members on campus to enjoy a scary evening and raise funds to support the HOSA club by sending students to competitions. They raised over \$3000 for HOSA!

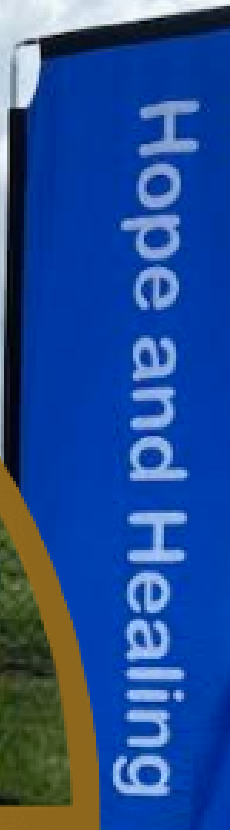


SCIENCE IN ACTION

Mrs. Pirchio's Biology class demonstrated Mitosis using cookie treats. This is a great way to make science fun, engaging and delicious for the students!



OUT OF DARKNESS WALK WITH MPOWER



FIRST SEMESTER TESTING SCHEDULE



November 2 (Saturday)	SAT
November 6 (Even)	ASVAB (select 11-12)
November 19 (Odd)	Florida Civic Literacy Exam (FCLE)* (select 12)
December 4 (Odd)	Algebra 1 Retakes and Geometry EOC*
December 5 (Even)	Biology & US History EOC*
December 7 (Saturday)	SAT
December 10 (Modified School Day)	ELA Grade 9 & 10 - Progress Monitoring 2
December 10 (Modified School Day)	FAST Grade 10 ELA Reading Retakes
December 14 (Saturday)	ACT
December 16 - 20	First Semester Final Exams, EOC Midterm Exams

ENTREPRENEURSHIP ACADEMY VISITS CRYSTAL LAKES

On October 16th, Park Vista students from **Mrs. Vega's Entrepreneurship Academy** visited **Crystal Lakes Elementary School** to teach kindergarten and first grade classrooms about financial literacy. Lesson plans were supported by our partners at **Junior Achievement**, with engaging activities about individual choices, money, the importance of saving and giving, and the value of work. Our high schoolers had a blast with this rewarding experience, as we continue to promote a community-wide movement towards early literacy.



BOWLING TEAM WINNING SEASON

The Park Vista Bowling Team is having a Winning Season! Our Girls are County Champions AND District Champions. Our Boys finished 2nd in the County Championships AND 2nd in Districts. Some very high scores this year were : Austin Duvall with a 300, Chase Cassell with a 279, Mateo Ruiz with a 278, Chase Bureau with a 265, Delaney Orzolek with a 256, Jordan Fein with a 254, Chase Gutierrez with a 249, Taylor Konz with a 196, and Josh Taveras with a 226. Go Cobras! Good Luck at States!



Scholar\$hip Thur\$day\$ 2024-2025

Find out which scholarships are available & which resources will help facilitate your scholarship search!

August 29
September 12
September 26
October 24
November 14
December 5



Located in School Counseling Office *Career Center* during lunch and also available online at <https://www.palmbeachschools.org/Page/7988>

STUDENT SERVICES CORNER

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



Campus safety and instructional time are our top priority. We will always foster a learning environment that is safe and secure for our faculty, staff and students. The Student Services Department would like to thank the students who are wearing or displaying their student ID each day on campus. We encourage all students to have your ID each day on campus.



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Hello Everyone!

Thank you so much for your membership and involvement with our PTSO! I'm happy to report as I write this article, we currently have 234 members (94 staff/ 140 parents & students)! This is amazing, however, this year's goal is 300 members so if you haven't had a chance to join, please take a moment to do so. You do not have to attend meetings or volunteer! Our Teacher of the Month for October is Mr. Lott - he gets a private parking spot and gift card of his choice! Our Non-Instructional staff member winner was Anita La Valley - she is our Adult Ed secretary and she won a gift card of her choice. Congrats to both of them! For the last three years our top fundraiser has been our Park Vista blanket - we sold out of our first batch and currently have a waiting list. This makes a perfect gift for that cold Florida weather coming so order one today!

We are also holding a fundraiser for See's Candies for the holiday season - Who doesn't love candy?

TO JOIN PTSO, ORDER BLANKETS OR OTHER PV MERCH - HERE IS THE LINK:

[HTTPS://PARK-VISTA-PTSO.SQUARE.SITE/](https://park-vista-ptso.square.site/)



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT DEBORAH.SENICH@PALMBEACHSCHOOLS.ORG

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INTERVIEWS

GRADUATING?...LET'S EXPLORE YOUR NEXT MOVE
UNDERCLASSMAN? ...GET EXPOSURE TO MANY INDUSTRIES

FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 6, 2024
DURING LUNCH
SCHOOL GYM



HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY CAREERS
BEAUTY INDUSTRY CAREERS
AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY CAREERS
ARMED SERVICES CAREERS
IRONWORKERS INDUSTRY CAREERS
ELECTRICIAN INDUSTRY CAREERS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AFTERCARE
CORRECTIONAL FACILITY CAREERS
PBSO CAREERS
HEALTH & NUTRITION CAREERS

Exploring careers is essential for choosing a path to a successful future!
Bring your resume and introduce yourself to a variety of companies and
organizations, many of which provide on the job training. **DON'T MISS OUT!!**