



# Sunset Palms Turtle Talk



**Karen Riddle, Principal**

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Sunset Palms is an "A" rated and 5 Star School

March 1, 2024

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Main Office 752-1100  
 Clinic 752-1121 (Nurse Linda)  
 After the Bell 752-1135 (Mrs. Baumgardner)  
 ESE Contact 752-1112 (Mrs. Janisko)  
 Data Processor 752-1102 (Ms. Navarrete)  
 Guidance 752-1117 (Ms. Marcus)  
 Cafeteria 752-1156 (Kinia Estime)

### IMPORTANT DATES

March 4 to 6 – KG through Gr. 3 Vision and Hearing Screening  
 March 6 – Biker/Walker Day  
 March 6 – SAC Mtg. 2:30 p.m. in Media Center  
 March 18 – 22 – Spring Break – No School  
 March 25 – PDD Day – No School for Students  
 March 26 – KG-3 Vision and Hearing Make-Ups  
 March 28 – Volunteer Breakfast-8:30-9:30 a.m. in Cafeteria

### DISTRICT POLICY/SAFETY

Students may not bring knives to school for any reason, which means please do not pack knives in your student's lunch box to use for lunch or snack.



- INSTANTLY ALERT LAW ENFORCEMENT ABOUT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY & THREATS
- INCLUDE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS EASILY
- REMAIN ANONYMOUS

See Something, Say Something, DO SOMETHING

### CELL PHONES/WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

#### DEVICES

We follow SB policy 5.183 for students.

Elementary school students may possess cellular phones and other wireless communication devices on school property and school-sponsored transportation, provided such devices are not visible, used, or activated, and are kept in the "off" position throughout the instructional school day and while on school-sponsored transportation. Students must keep their cellular phones and other wireless communication devices stored in their backpack, or other non-visible secure location during the instructional school day and while on school-sponsored transportation.

### VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST – MARCH 28, 2024

In appreciation of our volunteers we will be hosting a Volunteer "Thank You" Breakfast that will be held on Thursday, March 28 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the Sunset Palms Cafeteria. If you would like to attend, please sign up in the front office or email

[daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org).

We hope to see you there!

### DRESS CODE POLICY - IMPORTANT

We have a mandatory dress code at Sunset Palms. ALL students are expected to be in dress code daily. No stripes, patterns, designs. Please see the details below.

The policy sets guidelines for students to create an atmosphere that fosters learning without fashion distractions and safety hazards. Students who DO NOT adhere to the dress code policy will receive an area of concern on the "Follows rules/routines/directions" section on the report card. Please contact the front office if you need assistance with obtaining dress code items. Shirts with logos may be purchased through our PTA. Other school dress code items may be purchased at any retail store.

**Tops** – Solid collared shirts (Any color, short sleeve or long sleeve, with or without the Sunset Palms logo). The Sunset Palms logo is preferred. **No stripes, patterns or designs.**

**Sweatshirts**- Solid color (free from decorations and writing) sweatshirts may be worn over the collared shirts in the classroom.

**Bottoms** –Pants, capris, shorts, skirts, leggings and skorts (solid khaki, navy, black). **No stripes, patterns or designs.**

**Uniform Jumpers** – Plain solid collared shirt underneath.

**Uniform Polo Dresses** – Solid colors.

**Jackets** - Solid jackets (free from decorations and writing) may be worn over the collared shirt in the classroom. Other types of jackets may be worn to school and outside, but may NOT be worn in the classroom.

**Not permitted** – Midriff baring, short shorts, short skirts, short skorts, athletic shorts, flip flops, open toed, open heeled or platform shoes. Dress code clothes should not be cut, bedazzled, etc. Shoes must be closed toe and closed heel for safety reasons.

**Fridays ONLY** – Jeans may be worn with dress code top

\*\*\*\*ID Badges MUST be worn daily.\*\*\*\*

### SCHOOL WEBSITE LINK

<http://www.palmbeachschools.org/sunsetpalmselementary>

### DROP OFF/PICK UP

When dropping off students and/or picking up students, please use both lanes entering the school and merge at the cones to avoid backing up traffic on Acme Dairy. Please be courteous to others in the car loop. Thank you for your cooperation!

### SAVE THE DATE FOR KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP!

Save this date! On April 9 we will be holding 2 sessions of Kindergarten Round-Up, in our cafeteria, for parents of incoming Kindergarten students. Here are the following times:

- 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Please select a time that is convenient for you and RSVP to [daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org).

### UPCOMING TENTATIVE TESTING DATES

The following are tentative testing dates for students in K through 5. If there are any changes we will send an update.

Gr KG ELA-4/18	Gr 4-Writing-4/4
Gr K Math-4/24	Gr 4 ELA-5/8
	Gr 4 Math-5/16

Gr 1 ELA-4/17	
Gr 1 Math-4/23	

Gr 2 ELA-4/16	Gr 5 Writing-4/5
Gr 2 Math-4/22	Gr 5 ELA-5/9
	Gr 5 Math-5/14
	Gr 5 Science-5/17

Gr 3 ELA-5/1	
Gr 3 IReady-Week of 5/6	
Gr 3 Math-5/15	

### NEW VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The School District of Palm Beach County is excited to announce our new Volunteer Management System launching on March 25, 2024. As an existing volunteer in our schools, we wanted to share the new process with you first! All present volunteers must complete the new volunteer application before you arrive to volunteer (now available on any mobile device!). Please scan the QR code below to get started! After the front office has successfully scanned your government-issued ID, you can use the volunteer Kiosk located in the school's front office to sign in AND sign out. If you have any questions, please reach out to our school volunteer coordinator [Daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:Daniella.navarrete@palmbeachschools.org).





**Spirit Night at Scoops**

Join us for Spirit Night at Scoops in Canyon Town Center on **Thursday, March 14 from 3:00-8:00 p.m.!** A percentage of the sales will be donated back to Sunset Palms Elementary. We can't wait to see you there!

Thank you for supporting our school!

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**March PTA Events**

March 1: School Store

March 14: Spirit Night at Scoops

March 15: School Store

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**5th Grade Dance Donations**

We are kindly requesting donations to help us provide a fabulous dance for our 5th graders. Your donations will assist us with the cost of food, favors, décor, DJ, etc.

If you would like to help organize or set up the dance, please email

[volunteers@sunsetpalmspta.com](mailto:volunteers@sunsetpalmspta.com).

Please scan the code to donate.

Thank you in advance for your support!



**PTA NEWS**



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**Calling All Volunteers!**

PTA is always looking for people to help with PTA events. If you are interested in volunteering with PTA, please reach out to us at [info@sunsetpalmspta.com](mailto:info@sunsetpalmspta.com).

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**School Spirit Items & more!**

Scan the QR code to visit PTA's online store to purchase Spirit Wear, Polo Shirts, Birthday Grams, and more!

For questions regarding orders please reach out to [spe.ptaorders@gmail.com](mailto:spe.ptaorders@gmail.com) .



Thank you everyone for your support with our Walk-a-Thon! Because of your generosity, we were able to raise money for upcoming programs, supplies, and school beautification. Please have a safe and fun Spring Break!

Sincerely,

Ana Marin, PTA President

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**Student Store**

Our Student Store is open for business on Fridays, March 1 & 15 from 7:25 a.m.-7:50 a.m. at the back of the Main Hall, offering Spirit Sticks, Smencils,

Smickers, Scented Gel Pens, cute erasers, fun fidgets and more. Check social media for exciting new offerings every month! **Your child may use their birthday buck here.**

**\*This is a student only event\***

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**Let's Stay Connected!**

Visit our website: [www.SunsetPalmsPTA.com](http://www.SunsetPalmsPTA.com) un  
Sign up for our emails: Text SPEPTAINFO to 22828



**LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!**

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**Become a member of PTA!**

It's not too late to join PTA for the 2023-2024 school year! Download your membership form at [www.SunsetPalmsPTA.com](http://www.SunsetPalmsPTA.com).