



# The PCA Post

From the Desk of  
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April 2016

## Important Dates

- April 4-8: TerraNova Administration
- April 8: Hot Dog lunch and Squirt Station
- April 13: PAWS meeting @ 9am
- April 14: Moms Next 9am
- April 15 All Pro Dad 7am
- April 20: Boosterthon Kick off
- April 23: Women's Simulcast Event
- April 29: Boosterthon Fun Run @ 10am
- April 30: Last Day to enroll and receive reenrollment Rally entrance

## Save the Date

- May 5: National Day of Prayer 9am
- May 20: Reenrollment Rally at Paradise Cove water park.

## Coat vs. the Car Seat

We were loading my 3 year old in the car grab a quick bite to eat before basketball practice and he had his *officer jacket*. He received this heavy, corduroy jacket with fleece lining from a friend before we travelled to Tennessee this Thanksgiving. It kind of looks like an oldilot jacket, it has a shiny badge on it and he refers to it as his "officer jacket". He LOVES his *officer jacket*. The problem is, we live in South Florida and the four days a year that would be appropriate for the *officer jacket* have already passed. I tried to persuade him out of the officer jacket before buckling in the car, but I was not that effective. Half way to Panera (about 3 miles into an 8 mile car ride) he decides he is too hot and NEEDS to take this jacket off right now. **RIGHT. NOW.** He is strapped into a 5 point car seat. There is no way this jacket is coming off RIGHT NOW. I tried to explain to him that we would literally be there in less than 7 minutes and I could take his jacket off at that time. No. That wasn't going to be good enough. He needed that jacket off right now. At one point, he got one arm out and was feeling real proud of himself. He proceeded to tangle himself up and began screaming "I'm choking, I'm choking." (note: he was not choking). No amount of talking was going to change his mind. We arrived at Panera and he was in a full blown sweat, read from fighting and screaming. I unbuckled him, finished removing the jacket, and he was able to regain composure and head into the restaurant. The whole situation was silly, he literally could've waited to arrive at our destination and then shed the jacket. Instead, he decided to torture himself (and my ear drums) throughout the entire ride.



I admit, in a way...I'm just like him. How many times and I guilty of not enjoying the journey...struggling with doing things RIGHT NOW until waiting for His timing? How many times has the Lord tried to gently remind me that putting on my own metaphoric jacket may not be the smartest thing to do. Yet- I insist, go out of His will, and then wrestle to take the thing off! In Matthew we read "Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." (Matthew 6:33) Seek **FIRST**. Not after you've messed things up. What is God asking you to do? What is God asking you to walk away from? What is He asking you to put down that you are still trying to carry? What is He asking you to pick up that you have neglected?

## Call for photos

I know that many of you serve through local churches of community groups. If you have a few pictures of your students serving, please email [info@parkridgeca.com](mailto:info@parkridgeca.com) a copy of the photo along with a brief description of the project/opportunity. We are compiling pictures for a special video to be shown on campus at the end of the school year.

## Box Tops for Education

Please continue to clip and collect Box Tops for Education.

Our goal for the 2015-16 school year is **\$1000**. That means 10,000 Box Tops!

Our total so far is \$330.00

Spread the word! Tell your friends and family. We collect year round!

## Order Lunch Online

Yummy In My Tummy is our current caterer. All lunch orders must go through their website at: [www.yummyinmytummy.com](http://www.yummyinmytummy.com)



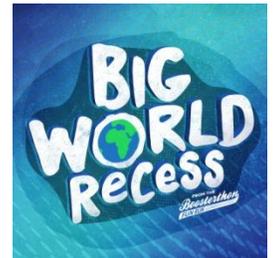
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Collect the UPC's off of participating products and return to school.



## Boosterthon Fun Run!

Parents! This year's main fundraiser is the **Panther Fun Run!** It'll be a 9-day program where we kick off with a Pep Rally on **April 20<sup>th</sup>**, families will have time to get pledges for every lap your student runs, and then we'll celebrate at the Fun Run on **Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>**. With our big goal to raise funds for our multipurpose field, we asked the Fun Run experts at Boosterthon to power our Fun Run and make it more profitable, easier, and fun. Students will also experience an amazing character theme, *Big World Recess!* It's a global fitness theme all about playing with character. Donations will go toward the multipurpose field and to the entire 9-day experience. So please help our school by reaching out to sponsors. Also, all families are invited to come out and cheer on your student at the Fun Run! Thank you for your support!



## P.A.W.S. Meeting

Please join us on Wednesday April 13 at 9:00 am in the auditorium as we discuss: Boosterthon, Teacher Appreciation, Reenrollment Rally.

Email Jamie Hughes for more information [jamie.hughes.pca@outlook.com](mailto:jamie.hughes.pca@outlook.com)

## All Pro Dad Breakfast

Join us the second **FRIDAY** of every month at 7:00 a.m. for a time of fun and fellowship with other Parkridge dads and their children. **This event is free and breakfast is provided.** Sign in the front office to get your visitor badge.



The next breakfast is Friday April 15!

Know an All Pro Dad? This event is open to the community so encourage them to RSVP online at [www.allprodad.com/3728](http://www.allprodad.com/3728) or contact Robert Wicker at [rwicker@parkridgebaptist.com](mailto:rwicker@parkridgebaptist.com)



**SATURDAY - APRIL 23RD - 9AM**

**TICKETS \$20**

***Tickets go on sale April 3rd***

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## Reenrollment Rally

This year we are heading to Paradise Cove at CB Smith Park!

- **Paradise Pipeline** features four five-story-tall waterslides, enabling riders to experience corkscrew rides exiting into the four-foot-deep plunge pool. The 32-inch wide-open body slides vary in length from 395 feet to 430 feet. The 400 gallons of water per minutes move riders down the slides for an incomparable experience. Riders must be 42 inches tall, weigh less than 250 pounds, and be able to swim.
- **Sharky's Lagoon** is the water playground for all ages, featuring an 18-inch-deep pool that includes many interactive play elements, as well as three waterslides that vary in length from 83 feet to 125 feet.
- **Crazy Creek** is the 410-foot-long meandering tube ride with interactive elements along the route.



All students who enroll by April 30 will go for free. Help us send off our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and start the summer with a splash! Lunch will be provided.

Tickets will be available for purchase for \$25 beginning May 2<sup>nd</sup> (space is limited).

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