

Good evening Shark Nation!

We have arrived at our spooky **HOCO-ween!!!** Sharks - there's no need to be frightened! Over the next five days we will be enjoying all things Halloween as part of this year's Homecoming celebration. Each day our SGA has some amazing things planned:

- **Monday** our dress up theme is camo for monster hunting, we will have karaoke at lunch, and DECA will be hosting a night at Chipotle on Military Trail in Boca.
- **Tuesday** is a decade dress up theme day and then we'll have Carnival Lunch.
- **Wednesday** is JERSEY DAY - both Powderpuff t-shirts and favorite sports jerseys, some Monstrous fun in the courtyard at lunch, and the annual Powder Puff festivities at 6:00 pm in the Shark Pit!
- **Thursday** is class colors day, pep rally to celebrate our fall sports, and our homecoming game at 6:30 in the Shark Pit vs. Santaluces. Before the game we will have tailgating in the parking lot at 5:30 pm.
- **Friday** is Freaky Friday, where our dress up theme is favorite celebrities, cookie decoration at lunch, and then our annual **Homecoming dance** at night from **7-11 pm** in our gymnasium.

Homecoming dance tickets are almost sold out. We will be holding one more day of ticket sales on Monday, October 16th. It is **cash only**, and we will be selling **during both lunches** in front of the biotech building. Cost for a ticket is **\$40 per ticket**. **No tickets will be sold at the door**. The **Dance will be held on Friday, October 20th from 7-11 pm in the Spanish River Gym**. No refunds on tickets.

Due to safety concerns the Jog Road and Yamato gates will not be opened until after all students are in their 7th period class (around 2:00 PM). Parents picking up any seniors that have 7th period off will have to wait until we get our underclassmen into their 7th periods. Please do not get out of your car and approach the metal gates near the Media Center as **NO VISITORS are allowed to enter at that gate at any point during the school day**. No visitors are allowed on campus at all from 2-3 PM. We do our best to minimize **visitors** on campus but any that do come **must come to the Regency entrance and be raptured in at the Single Point Entry per the Jessica Lunsford Act safety regulations**. We appreciate your understanding as we keep a tight, secure campus. Please send an email and arrange an appointment if you must visit campus for some reason.

Please join us for **Spanish River High School's College Planning Night** on Monday, October 23rd at 6pm in the theater. Do you need help navigating the college admissions process? Do you have questions about the ACT or new Digital SAT? Do you have a student athlete or budding artist? Are you wondering about financial planning? Breakout sessions will cover all of these topics and more. Spanish River parents and students of all grade levels are welcome. Presented by Milestone College Prep, PTSA, and the SRHS school counseling department.

The **Pathfinder Scholarship Awards**, which are presented by the Palm Beach Post, are presented each year to high school seniors in Palm Beach and Martin counties who demonstrate outstanding achievement in one of the following 18 categories: academic excellence, art, business, career/technical education, communications, community involvement, computer engineering/technology, forensics/speech, history/political science, literature, mathematics, music/instrumental, music/vocal, reach for excellence, science, sports, theater arts, and world language. Each high school in Palm Beach and Martin Counties may submit only one nominee per category. The scholarship winners receive cash awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The nomination forms will be available beginning this Tuesday, **October 17, 2023** in both student Suites (Silver and Blue) as well as posted to our school's website.

Attention ESOL Families - the English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Department will be hosting our Fall Parent Leadership Council (PLC) Meeting on **Monday, October 23rd from 7:45 - 8:45 am**. More information forthcoming via email. Please plan to arrive with enough time to be checked in by our raptor visitor system. Please contact ESOL Coordinator Elizabeth Contreras (elizabeth.contreras@palmbeachschools.org) with any questions.

Attention **Juniors and Seniors - National Honor Society** applications are available via Google Form on Google Classroom (11th and 12th grade teachers). Eligible students meeting the following criteria will be considered: 3.5 GPA or 3.8 HPA, at least 50 logged hours of community service, and no discipline referrals. An induction ceremony will take place for Spring and Fall 2023 Applicants - more info forthcoming. Applications are due **TOMORROW**, Monday, October 16, 2023. Please email Ms. Donnino (angela.donnino@palmbeachschools.org) with any questions.

National Honor Society offers **peer tutoring** daily during both lunches in room 3-101. Please encourage your child to get help from NHS' peer tutors if they are struggling in their classes. Tutors are available for most subjects.

Tickets are now on sale for the musical, **The Addams Family!** The show opens **Thursday October 26th** and runs **through October 29th**. Don't miss this hilarious and fun show! Seats are going fast - go to www.spanishrivertheater.org to get your tickets today!

PLEASE BE SURE IF YOU ARE TAKING **CAMBRIDGE CLASSES** THIS YEAR YOU HAVE JOINED THE GRADE LEVEL CAMBRIDGE GOOGLE CLASSROOM. SENIORS' CODE IS: hcpareo. JUNIORS' CODE IS: ldlnyyj. SOPHOMORES' CODE IS: pkx75j2. FRESHMEN'S CODE IS: jgkqyya. Questions? Email Mrs. Goron at mara.goron@palmbeachschools.org

Please be sure that you are working on your **community service hours!** The requirement to graduate is 20 hours by December 1st of your junior year. If you are working toward your AICE Diploma, you need 100 hours and we HIGHLY RECOMMEND these hours are submitted by December 1st of your junior year as well. Forms are submitted ONLY ELECTRONICALLY, once completely filled out to Mrs. Mara J. Goron at mara.goron@palmbeachschools.org

Parents can still preorder the **2024 Tiburon Yearbook** as well as purchase a senior ad dedication page by visiting: www.yearbookordercenter.com. Senior pictures must be taken by December 1st if you want to be able to select the picture you want for the yearbook. Senior pictures taken before December 17th will still appear in the yearbook, but will be selected by the studio. Pictures not taken on or before December 17th WILL NOT appear in the yearbook. MAKE SURE YOU MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH CADY STUDIOS ASAP.

Attention students interested in **boys' soccer** - tryouts begin this week. Tryouts for grades 10, 11, and 12 start tomorrow, **Monday, October 16th at 3:15 at Patch Reef Park**. **Freshman tryouts** will take place on **Wednesday, October 18th** and **Thursday, October 19th**. These 9th grade tryouts will take place at 3:15 pm each day on campus on the P.E. fields. **ATHLETIC PACKETS MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE THROUGH AKTIVATE**. No packet, no tryout. Water and Shin Guards are required.

Girls soccer tryouts are this week! If you are interested in trying out, join the Google classroom using the code 67bpe5b. You will need to complete the 2023 Tryout Information Google form, and have all paperwork and tryout fees electronically submitted via Aktivite.com. You cannot try out unless the site has cleared you. Paperwork must be completed by October 10th. **Tryouts will be October 16th to 18th on the northeast field at Patch Reef Park from 3:30 pm -5 pm**. Shin guards are required to try out. Bring water. If you have any questions, contact kevin.turner@palmbeachschools.org

Our **Spanish River SGA** has created a **SHARK SPIRIT dress up schedule** for our football home games this season. Below is the schedule for school AND game attire we encourage all students and fans to wear to support our Shark football team:
- On Thursday 10/19: **Homecoming** game vs. Santaluces. Class Colors is the in-school theme (pep rally that day as well. Game theme is a White Out.)

- On Friday 11/3: Home game vs. Suncoast. Blue Out is both the in-school theme and the game theme.

The **Swim Team** had their last regular meet of the season on Thursday against Park Vista and John I Leonard. The girls narrowly lost to Park Vista and the boys beat Park Vista. Both teams defeated John I Leonard. The Swim Team's next event will be at districts on Wednesday, October 25th in Wellington.

Quick Glance this week at River - SPORTS

- **Monday, October 16th** - Bowling at County Tournament (Greenacres, 3:30 pm); Boys Golf at Park Vista (Indian Springs Golf Course, 3:30 pm)
- **Tuesday, October 17th** - Boys Golf at West Boca (Osprey Point Golf Course, 3:00 pm); JV Football hosts Boynton Beach (Shark Pit, 6:00 pm)
Wednesday, October 18th - *Powder Puff Game-Shark Pit @ 6:30 PM*
- **Thursday, October 19th** - Girls Golf hosts Olympic Heights (Southwinds Golf Course, 3:30 pm); Varsity Football hosts Santaluces (Shark Pit, 6:30 pm, Homecoming)
- **Friday, October 20th** - Cross Country in the Glow in the Dark Invitational (Dyer Park, 5:20 pm)
- **Saturday, October 21st** - *NOTHING SCHEDULED*

Quick Glance this week at River - College Visits and Other School-Wide Events**

(For Homecoming events, see earlier note in callout)

- **Monday, October 16th** - *NOTHING SCHEDULED*
- **Tuesday, October 17th** - American University (8:00 am); Drexel University (9:00 am); University of Florida (1:00 pm); College of Charleston (2:00 pm); SAC Meeting (Biotech Building on Campus, 6:00 pm)
Wednesday, October 18th - *NOTHING SCHEDULED*
- **Thursday, October 19th** - Tufts University (8:00 am); Amherst College (9:00 am); The American University of Paris (1:00 pm)
- **Friday, October 20th** - *NOTHING SCHEDULED*

Instructions to attend our college visits: Juniors and seniors can sign up for college visits by joining the College Counseling Google Classroom. The code to join is *zfhborc***. Please complete the Google Form for the visit(s) you wish to attend.

Let's make it a great week, Sharks!

Your proud principal,
Mrs. Castellano