



# Viera Charter School

HOME OF THE MIGHTY PANTHERS

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## Letter from our Principal

*Hello Panther Families and Happy Holidays!*

*Tis the season for giving. VCS faculty, staff, administration, and students came together to collect toys for children, personal care items for veterans, and blankets for the SPCA animal program. Thank you everyone for your caring generosity.*

*Both our boys and girls' middle school basketball teams won their conference championships. Congratulations for your most successful basketball season. Way to go Mighty Panthers!*

*Wishing all a wonderful holiday season filled with many happy moments. We are looking forward to welcoming you back in 2021.*

*Warmest Regards,*

*Dr Julie Cady*

## Safety Patrol Supports SPCA

VCS Safety Patrol and Clinic Tech., Mrs. Hensler, sponsored a blanket drive to support the SPCA of Brevard County. Blanket and towel donations were collected from November 30 - December 18<sup>th</sup>. "I started doing this as a favor to a friend, who happens to be the director of the SPCA of North Brevard in Titusville. A few years ago she put out a request for blankets or towels because the animals get cold in the winter and there is

always an influx of animals around the holidays. I figured what better time to ask for old towels and blankets than the holidays since everybody seems to get new." said Mrs. Hensler. Last year she collected a surplus of donations and was able to spread the wealth to the SPCA, the Humane Society of Brevard and the South Area Care Center. The SPCA had never gotten so many towels and blankets at one time and they were over the moon.



**ABOVE: Mrs. Hensler and Safety Patrol members Jasmine Rucki, McKenzie Mounts, Makayla Ott and Madison Vitaliano photographed with some of the donations.**

# Girls and Boys Basketball Wins Championship!



The Girls Basketball team photographed with their trophy after the game.



Congratulations to both the Girls and Boys Basketball teams for winning the 2020 SCCAA Championships. The Girls team won 38-14 against Holy Trinity. Phantasia Lauriston (8<sup>th</sup> grade) scored 16 points and Gabriela Buigues (6<sup>th</sup> grade) scored 12 points. The Boys team won 54-46 against Holy Trinity. Top players were Michael Otero with 19 points/7 assists and Terrance

Shannon Jr. contributed 14 points. "Kyle Virsik, Micah Ott and Ben VanGenechtan played tremendous defense which had the rest of the team feeding off of their energy and flustered Holy Trinity." said Coach Kearns. The Boys team finished 11-1 and captured its first Championship in 3 years knocking off Holy Trinity who were the back-to-back champs. Way to go Panthers!



The VCS Boys Basketball team photographed with the Championship trophy.

## VCS Elementary Athletics

### FLAG FOOTBALL

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade co-ed flag football has had a great season this year. They competed in the championship tournament this past weekend.

### ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls basketball practice will begin on Dec 14<sup>th</sup> and the season begins in January. We will have 2 boys teams and one girl team.

### ELEMENTARY SOCCER

K-6<sup>th</sup> grade soccer practices began on Monday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. The season starts in January. There was a great turn out this year! We had a whopping total of 68 students sign up. Enough to make 1- Kindergarten, 3- 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade teams, 1- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade team and 1- 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade team.



Kindergarten meets for their first soccer practice.







# 8th Annual Panther Cup

The 8th Annual Panther Cup was December 5<sup>th</sup> at Duran Golf Club. The golf tournament is held on the first Saturday of December every year. Event chair, Krystal Cooper said, "We love partnering with all our sponsors to make this a great event for

the golfers while raising money for the school." Krystal has been the event chair for the past six years and co-chair along with Steve Muzzy, a VCS board member, for the past 4 years. "My first year we raised just over \$16K and this year we look to make

over \$22K." said Krystal. The tournament will be held on December 4th 2021.



Our many raffle prizes.



Jay Drag, of CSA, with his team in front of the Panther Cup sign.



Mr. Robert Jordan, Chairman, and his team.



Our lunch sponsor, Parrish Healthcare, and prize by Space Coast Ophthalmology.



A tournament golf team.



Parent volunteers Karey Riley and Sue Quattrone.



A Gold level golf team and VCS parents.

8th Annual  
DECEMBER 5, 2020

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# What's Happening Around Campus



**ABOVE:** Kindergarten students, Jayna Patel, Emilee Kazoroski, Thomas Mann, Roger Saunders, Mossie Acosta, Penelope Acosta, Isaac Roman, and Leila Kucharyson were learning parts of the body in Ms. Kasdaglis's Spanish class.



**ABOVE:** Brevard County Sheriff's Office sponsored 'Handlebars for the Holidays' where the SRO and staff chose students to receive donated bikes for Christmas. Ms. Mia, Mr. Smith, Mr. Zach and Cpls. Kearns helped pass them out to the students.



**ABOVE:** Mrs. Bordner's Kindergarten class show their disguised turkeys.



**ABOVE:** Hunter Sheffey with his mom, Ashley Sheffey.

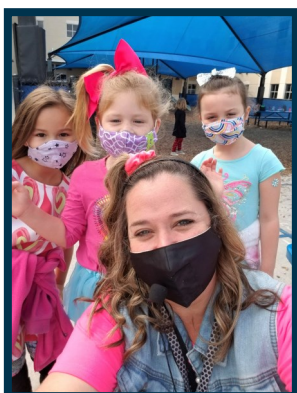


**ABOVE:** Cadance Gould with her dad, Eric Gould.

**ABOVE/RIGHT:** Mrs. Stoltzman's 1<sup>st</sup> grade class helped put together baskets for Basket Brigade food drive.



**ABOVE:** Parker Moseman with his dad, Jordan Moseman.



**ABOVE:** Mrs. Bordner, Julianna Dudnick, Everly Crowder and Adalee Wuisman dressed as 80's Girls for Decades Day.



**ABOVE:** Mrs. Hoffman, 6th grade teacher, dresses up for Decades Day.



**ABOVE:** Mrs. Power's kindergarten students (L-R), Lucca Santos, Laila Kucharyson and Lincoln Fitts sit down for a special Thanksgiving feast.



**ABOVE:** Kindergarten students, Everly Crowder (L) and Julianna Dudnick (R) with their count down to Christmas chains.





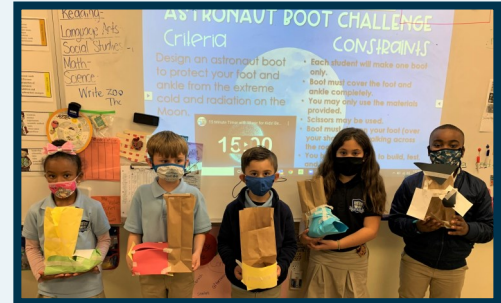
**ABOVE:** Kindergartener, Blayke Wright, builds Santa's sleigh.



**ABOVE:** Second grade students, Evan Amason, Noah Elhewan, Myles Hagood, Grant Kobrosky and Bryson Jefferson show their moon bases.



**ABOVE:** Kindergartener, Kylynn Gittens, builds Santa's sleigh.



**ABOVE:** Second grade students, Zulmah Coger, Evan Amason, Ryan Crosby, Navialis Torres-Zayas and Bryson Jefferson show their moon boots.

## Mission to the Moon S.T.E.A.M Challenges

This quarter the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students completed Mission to the Moon STEAM Challenges in Ms. Dedrick's STEM class. First, they designed and built an Astronaut's Boot and then a Moon Shelter to protect Astronauts from the Sun's radiation. In Kindergarten – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade, the students learned about forces and friction, then built and tested a sleigh that would travel the furthest distance.

## Panther Proud Candy Gram

'Tis the season for celebrating our big and small Panthers at Viera Charter School! The National Elementary Honor Society sponsored the 'Panther Proud Candy Cane Gram' service project for the month of December. Students and families shared how proud they were of each other by sending a candy cane gram

complete with an 'I'm proud of you!' message. All of the money collected for this service project benefitted the Brevard Humane Society. The NEHS is proud of the hard work that this organization does to care for and support the animal population in Brevard County. Thank you to everyone who supported this worthy cause! The NEHS is proud of you!



## *Happy Winter Break!*

**DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 3, 2021:**  
VCS will be closed for winter break.

**JANUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2020:**  
Teachers and students return.

