



CHARTER CHATTER

September 2016



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Mission Statement

Palm Bay Academy is dedicated to serving the needs of its students by providing an opportunity for an enriched academic environment and acting as an extension of the Brevard County public school system to serve each student with excellence as the standard.



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IMPORTANT!

Please be reminded of these policies...

- Lobby is closed from 1:50 to 2:20 for car loop. Latest early pick up time is 1:50 pm (Elem) unless is an Early Dismissal Day, then it is 12:50 pm.
- There is No Stopping or Parking along Tropicana or in the private garage business across the street. Please pick up car riders in the car loop.
- Do not drop children along Tropicana.
- You must accompany children into school to sign them in when they are tardy for school.



- 09/01/16 Middle Sch Football vs Holy Trinity**
09/01/16 Parent Party/Title I Annual Mtg - Trad, 6-7:30 pm
09/05/16 Labor Day – Holiday For All
09/07/16 Middle Sch Football vs St. Edwards
09/12/16 Family Book Clubs, 3-4 pm: Grades K-2 @ Imm, Grades 3-5 @ Trad
09/12/16 Book Fair – through 9-16, Trad, 9am-1pm
09/13/16 Family Book Fair Night – Trad, 5-6 pm
09/13/16 Elementary Open House – 6-7:30 pm
09/14/16 Middle Open House – Call Middle for info
09/20/16 Tuesday Tea – Trad, 8-9 am
09/22/16 Middle Sch Homecoming Game
09/27/16 Parent University – Trad, 6-7:30 pm

UPCOMING

- 10/06/16 Parent Party – Trad, 6-7:30 pm**
10/07/16 Friday Fun Fest – Trad, 3 - 4 pm

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Hi!

Editor

I'm Donna Moore, the editor of the Charter Chatter. We want to know what you think! If you have something you'd like to submit, write us a note. The content will be approved by the school. We do reserve the right to edit your material for appropriate content and to fit the space available.

Palm Bay Academy Leadership Team

Administration

- ♦ Madhu Longani – Director & Elem. Principal
- ♦ Jerry RunnerSmith – Principal (Middle)
- ♦ Marilyn Kinsel – Dir. of Operations
- ♦ Kim Gary – ESE
- ♦ Sophia Lhrisse – ESOL
- ♦ Nina Orellana – Title I

Board of Directors

- ♦ Jennifer Wolf – President
- ♦ Manhar Shah – Board Member
- ♦ Allison Cunningham – Parent Liaison
- ♦ Brendan Purcell – Board Member
- ♦ Vacant – Board Member

Meetings: as posted

Elementary PTO (Parent Teacher Org.)

- ♦ President – Amanda Thibaudeau
- ♦ Vice President – Heather Davis
- ♦ Treasurer – Janae Beauchamp
- ♦ Secretary – Jennifer Sutton

Meetings: In general, 1st Wed of the month

Who to talk to on questions about...

- ♦ Busing – Amanda Thibaudeau
- ♦ Curriculum – Marilyn Kinsel
- ♦ Student Reading Assist – Ms. Gilchrist
- ♦ Events – Front Desk
- ♦ Field trips – Your student's teacher

Daily Details

Parent Party & Annual Title 1 Informational Meeting

Next Parent Party meetings are Sep 1 & Oct 6 both @ 6 – 7:30 pm. Learn some of the many ways you can be involved with PBA this year! We will be working on the Parent Involvement Plan, the School Improvement Plan, the Family-School Compact, and community building activities. Child care will be available.

Parent University

Our next Parent University meeting is on Tuesday, Sep 27, 6 – 7:30 pm at our Traditional Campus. The topic is "Understanding Common Core Math". Teachers will help parents on all grade levels, K – 8th understand how students are learning math today and how parents can help their children.

Becoming A Volunteer

Palm Bay Academy requires that all volunteers have an A Plus Volunteer Status and Badge from Brevard Schools. The badge costs an additional \$3.00 paid at Brevard Schools District Security Office when you go to get your fingerprints taken. Please inform them you will also need to have your picture taken in order to get an A Plus Volunteer Badge. The Security Office does not require badges for charter school volunteers, but Palm Bay Academy does require them as part of their volunteer policy.

Total cost is \$45.25 + \$3.00 = \$48.25



Our First Fundraiser

is in full swing! Here are the details...

1. Collect money with orders, no sales tax
2. Make checks payable to Palm Bay Academy
3. Include student name & parent phone # on memo portion of the checks
4. All money & the top 2 copies of the order form are due on Friday, Sep 9th
5. Original white copy of order will be returned with your order
6. to accommodate out of town sales, go to www.shopmyfundraiser.com to register as a seller, use your ID# listed in the top right corner of your Order Form.



Clubs!



Chorus

Choral Group – Chorus will start soon. Ms. Collins will conduct choral practice on Tuesdays between 2:15 and 3:00. This group is limited to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. There is no fee for attending, information has been handed out. Arrangements must be made with Ms. Collins before children can attend. Please contact Ms. Collins for expectations of students. To contact please send email to: pcollins@palmbayacademy.org

Strings

Strings Group – Strings will start soon. Ms. Collins will conduct strings group on Mondays between 2:15-3:00 pm. There is no fee for attending, students must bring their own instruments (rented or owned) to attend and have the required book and materials. To contact please send email to: pcollins@palmbayacademy.org

Tuesday Tea

Tuesday Teas – usually every third Tuesday between 8:00 - 9:00am (check the website calendar to verify) with Ms. Nina Orellana - Come see how you can help the school!

Family Book Clubs

Family Book Clubs – second Mondays 3-4 pm. Parents and students read a book and then discuss it with their group. Group depends upon reading level and interest. See Ms. Orellana to sign up.



PBA PANTHER FOOTBALL

Please check our website calendar for our game schedule. Next games are 09/01/16 against Holy Trinity & 09/07/16 against St. Edwards.

Go

Panthers!

How! Not What...

On the way to work one morning, something on the radio triggered a thought for me. When I was younger, **what** was it I wanted to be when I grew up? For the life of me I couldn't remember a time when I stated in a loud childish voice what I wanted to be, "a doctor... an actress... or president of the United States".

What I could remember very clearly were the statements I made to myself concerning **how** I wanted to be or act. **How** I wanted to treat others... and **how** I wanted to be perceived by others. It seemed to me that it didn't matter what you were if how you did it was in a negative manner that hurt others.

The youthful wishes of what you want to be change and evolve as one grows, but how one behaves, and how one lives one's life, leaves a much more permanent impression.

The how of living life can be the difference between lifting another up or shooting them down...of being supportive of someone's dreams or being the burden that dashes their dreams on the rocks.

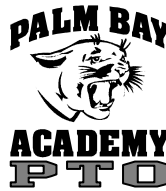
How one pursues a goal, either with persistence or lethargy determines whether the goal is attained or never reached. And when those obstacles loom on the path to one's goal's, how one tackles those obstacles, with zeal or with grumbles colors the journey either with joy or dreariness.

Our **how** does not only affect those closely around us. How one interacts with others, with arrogance or with understanding, with impatience or tolerance can either add or subtract to the fabric of one's community. The rippling out of a negative **how** can reach very far and last a long time.

At the end do I want a bullet list of **what** I was or a life picture painted of **how** I was... I have always found pictures more attractive than bullet points.

May we all paint our How pictures in a positive, uplifting manner.

Donna Moore



Hello everyone! Our first meeting will be **Sep, 7th, 6:00 – 7:00 pm at the Traditional Campus.** We will be taking new PTO members at this meeting and discussing fundraising ideas. We will also be presenting information to our PBA parents and guardians at the Open House on Sept 13th at the Traditional Campus and we need volunteers. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the next meeting!

Amanda Thibaudeau
President, Elementary PTO



Behavior and Discipline

Each teacher has classroom rules to control their environment and correct misconduct. Prevention of behavior problems is enhanced by close communication between the administrator, parents, teachers and students. The following is a brief set of rules students attending Palm Bay Academy are expected to follow:

- ♦ To tell the truth
- ♦ To respect every person regardless of age
- ♦ To follow directions
- ♦ To take pride in personal appearance and to wear the school uniform in a neat manner
- ♦ To take care of school property
- ♦ To arrive at school promptly
- ♦ To refrain from carrying objects that are considered to be weapons
- ♦ To be considerate of classmates and teachers
- ♦ To refrain from using offensive language
- ♦ To complete assignments on time

Actions by students which are insubordinate or show disrespect for others or general misconduct which disrupts the learning process shall not be tolerated.



Mr. Worm is looking for bed.
Can you help him?



Adjective Word Scramble

1. IBG _____
2. HTO _____
3. TFSA _____
4. EWN _____
5. AHCPE _____
6. LAET _____
7. LDO _____
8. MLLAS _____
9. IHHG _____
10. WLSO _____
11. DKAR _____
12. WLO _____
13. RSEOSUI _____
14. SAEF _____
15. RYTEPT _____
16. DLCO _____
17. PENEXSVEI _____
18. RFEFEITDN _____
19. RLAEY _____
20. GLITH _____

1. BIG
2. HOT
3. FAST
4. NEW
5. CHEAP
6. LATE
7. OLD
8. SMALL
9. HIGH
10. SLOW
11. DARK
12. LOW
13. SERIOUS
14. SAFE
15. PRETTY
16. COLD
17. EXPENSIVE
18. DIFFERENT
19. EARLY
20. LIGHT

Cold Blooded Reptile Weekend at

Brevard Zoo: Sept 3-5, 10 am & 3 pm.

Special animal encounter with reptiles and birds. Tortoise race at 1 pm. Daily alligator feeding at 3 pm. Event is free with zoo admission.

Friday Fest Family Street Party:

Downtown Melbourne. Sep 9, 6 -10pm.

Family-oriented event, art, craft and business vendors, great food and beverage, children's activity area. Stores/restaurants remain open.

Admission/parking free,

Brevard Symphony Orchestra:

Annual Free Family Concert, Sep 18, 3 pm, King Center presents "BEETHOVEN AND ME"!

First Friday By The Bay:

Sep 2, 5 – 10 pm. Join the fun with live music, food, activities for the kids, & more. FREE to attend, Celebration Square, 4600 Dixie Hwy (US1).

Try these websites for children's fun & development:

- ◆ **Starfall** <http://www.starfall.com/> : This site offers reading with phonics and includes downloadable journals, books & activities
- ◆ **ABCya!** <http://www.abcya.com/> This site offers grade level K-5 lessons, apps and games for elementary students
- ◆ **E-Learning For Kids** <http://www.e-learningforkids.org/> Features lessons for all grade/skill levels covering all major topics

Try these websites for a little parents help:

- ◆ **Internet 4 Classrooms** <http://www.internet4classrooms.com/parents.htm> : A site that helps parents help their kids. Divided up into reading, math, discipline suggestions, helping with homework, and others
- ◆ **Family Education** <http://www.familyeducation.com/home/> : Contains a variety of links and information (I did encounter a number of ads, but usually there were pass links)
- ◆ **Empowering Parents** <http://www.empoweringparents.com/#> : Lists a number of support organization links and has information related to all phases of raising children. Also has a newsletter section

NOTE: These sites have not been examined for viruses or automatic installations. To my knowledge they are okay to visit.