



CHARTER CHATTER

October 2017

2112 Palm Bay Road NE
Palm Bay ♦ Florida ♦ 32905

Mission Statement

Palm Bay Academy is dedicated to serving the needs of its students by providing an opportunity for an enriched academic environment and 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.
- You must accompany children into school to sign them in when they are tardy for school.



October



- 10/03/17 Traditional Open House, 5:30-7:30 pm
- 10/04/17 Elementary PTO – Trad, 6 – 7 pm
- 10/11/17 Middle School Uniform Picture Retakes
- 10/12/17 Family STEAM Night @ Trad, 6 – 7:30 pm
- 10/19/17 Family Book Club @ Trad, 3-4 pm
- 10/20/17 Elementary Report Cards Issued
- 10/20/17 Friday Funfest @ Trad, 3-4 pm
- 10/21/17 Family Book Club @ Trad, 10-11 am
- 10/23/17 Elementary Teacher Parent Conferences – call to make an appointment
- 10/25/17 Middle Teacher Parent Conferences – call to make an appointment

UPCOMING

- 11/01/17 PTO Meeting – Trad, 6-7 pm
- 11/03/17 Book Fair thru 11-9 @ Trad
- 11/15/17 Class Pictures In Uniform – Immersion
- 11/16/17 Class Pictures In Uniform – Traditional

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Editor

Hi!

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
- ♦ Daniel Scott – ESE Elementary
- ♦ Kim Gary – ESE Middle
- ♦ Janet Estevez – 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 – Vacant
- ♦ Vice President – Vacant
- ♦ Treasurer – Vacant

Meetings: To be announced

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/Guardian Contact Information

It is imperative that parents/guardians keep their contact information up to date with the school's front desk. This includes cell phones, work contact information including phone and extension, e-mail, and additional emergency contacts. It is extremely important that we be able to contact you in case of an emergency and that you receive the informative messages we send out to parents and guardians. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parent Events

Our next Parent Event is on Thursday, October 12th, 6 – 7:30 pm at our Traditional Campus. Learn about STEAM and how it helps your students. Enjoy informative demonstrations showcasing “high quality questioning”.



Autumn Riddles & Jokes

- Q1: What do you use to mend a jack-o-lantern?
- Q2: Who helps the little pumpkins cross the road to school?
- Q3: What do you get when you divide the circumference of your jack-o-lantern by its diameter?
- Q4: What do you get when you drop a pumpkin?
- Q5. A family of fall leaves was trying to change a light bulb. A squirrel walked by and asked why the bulb wasn't changed yet and the red leaf said...

Autumn Riddles & Jokes: Answers



- A1: A pumpkin patch.
- A2: The Crossing Gourd.
- A3: Pumpkin Pi.
- A4: Squash.
- A5: "Because we keep falling."

Clubs!



Chorus
Choral Group –Ms. Collins will conduct choral practice on Tues & Thurs between 2:15 and 2:45 pm. This group is limited to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. 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

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.

Strings

Strings Group –Ms. Collins will conduct strings group on Mondays between 2:15-2:45 pm. 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

Tech Club

Tech Club – Mr. Ramos will conduct Tech Club on Tuesday, 2 – 3 pm. Arrangements must be made with Mr. Ramos before children can attend. Permission slips must be completed. Please contact Mr. Ramos for expectations of students. To contact please send email to:
aramos@palmbayacademy.org

Homework Club

Homework Club – Ms. Pearce will conduct Homework Club on Mondays, 2:45 – 3:30 pm. Arrangements must be made with Mr. Ramos before children can attend. Permission slips must be completed. To contact please send email to:
tpearce@palmbayacademy.org



PBA PANTHER FOOTBALL

Looks like we are headed for the finals... Good Luck!

Go



Panthers!



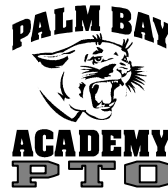
Trick or Treat Tips

- Adults should accompany young children.
- Carry a flashlight after dusk and watch for cars.
- Remove obstacles from walkways/lawns and leaving outside lights on.
- Stay away from barking dogs.
- Choose costumes with light or bright colors
- Use reflective tape on costumes.
- Feed children before they go trick-or-treating.
- Select a small amount of candy to eat while trick-or-treating to prevent them eating unchecked candy.
- Throw away unwrapped candy, candy with faded, or holes in the wrappers.
- Parents with children of different ages should sort the candies to make sure that younger kids don't get hold of small hard candies, peanuts or other objects that may get lodged in a youngster's throat.
- Look for costumes, wigs and masks which are labeled flame resistant. Flame resistant does not mean the fabric won't catch fire, only that it will resist burning.
- Face paints, glues and glitters should be made of non-toxic materials.
- If a mask is worn, make sure the child has full vision and it should be easy to breathe through.
- Costumes should be short enough to prevent tripping and flat shoes should be worn.
- Halloween also means parties for parents. Parents should make sure all alcohol and cigarette butts are cleaned up. These items can poison small children.



During the fall and winter months, many religions celebrate their most important holidays. Holidays are seasonal rituals which can serve to regulate and structure life. Rituals are often an important means of social communication. Holidays can serve to form a connection to your own past by reminding us of past celebrations. Holidays can form and reinforce connections with the friends and family with whom you celebrate. Holiday events can also create connections across an entire society as people develop parallel experiences which forge subtle bonds. As a community, let's remember the importance of everyone's holidays and celebrate our diversity.

Donna Moore



Amanda Thibaudeau
President, Elementary PTO

Hello everyone! Our next meeting will be **Oct, 4th, 6:00 – 7:00 pm at the Traditional Campus.** We will be taking new PTO members at this meeting and discussing fundraising ideas and parent recruitment.



Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Florida was given an extension to October 13, 2017, due to Hurricane Irma, and submitted the state plan on September 20, 2017. Additional information can be found at

<http://www.fldoe.org/academics/essa.shtml>

Archived SPAR Reports can be accessed at
<http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/>

Notification

Palm Bay Academy strives to provide our classrooms with highly qualified teachers. The following teachers are highly qualified and/or out of field to work in the classrooms and are working towards their qualifying status for ESOL or subject requirement.

Elementary School – ESOL

Xiomara De Luke – In Progress
Carol Beth Davis – In Progress
Vara Mc Clendon – In Progress
Michelle Allred – In Progress
Patricia Quinivan – In Progress
Adrienne Allen - In Progress
Leigh Nassis - In Progress
Mary Ann Paczkowski - In Progress
Valerie Douglas - In Progress

Elementary School –Other

Xiomara De Luke – Elem Ed
Sulai Roman– Elem Ed
Daniel Scott – Gifted

Middle School – ESOL

Irene Ferraiuolo – In Progress
Elizabeth La Viscka – In Progress

Middle School –Other

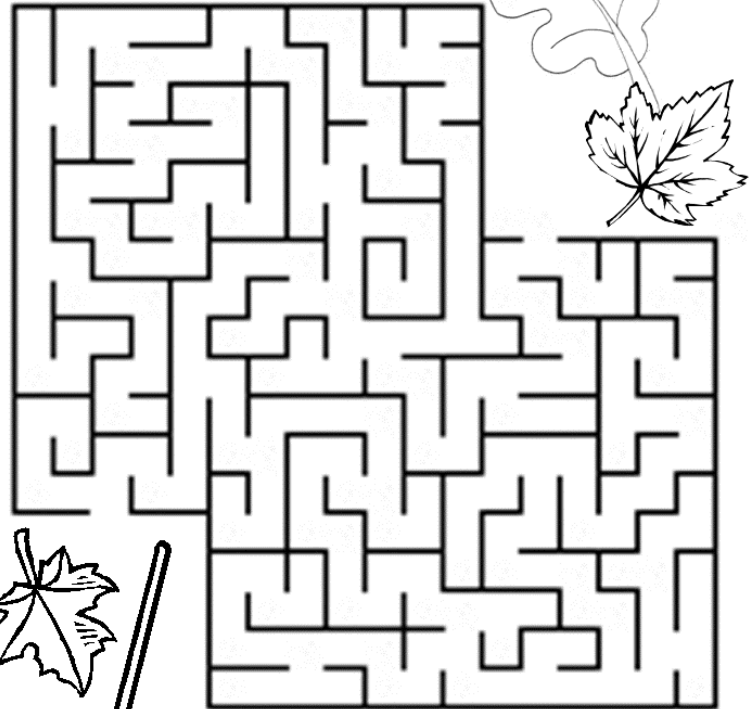
Irene Ferraiuolo – Lang Arts/Reading
Teresa Macinnes – Math

Puzzlers & Fungestions



Autumn Maze

Help get the leaves into the basket.



Autumn Word Search

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LEAVES
FALL
ACORNS
WIND
HAY

TREES
APPLES
PUMPKINS
TURKEY
MAPLE SYRUP

SCARECROW
CORN
RAKE
SQUIRREL



Brevard Zoo- Boo at the Zoo!!! 30 treat stations. Boo Choo train, DJ music, creepy crafts, costume contest. 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Oct 13-15, Oct 20-22, Oct 27-29. Fee \$6 - \$14 for members depending upon day & age.

Space Coast Halloween Festival: Oct 29. Melbourne Auditorium, 12 – 5 pm. Unique, safe, and FREE trick-or-treating experience. Bounce houses, face painting, demos, crafts, characters meet & greets, photo booth, and more. Costume contest 2 pm. Address: 625 E Hibiscus Blvd.

Florida Tech's Treat or Treat: October 28, 2-5 pm, Florida Tech Residence Quad. Candy, games, Halloween activities, and 3 theatrical haunted houses! Event is completely free for both on and off campus attendees. The whole family is welcome. Address: 150 W University Blvd, Melbourne

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.