



CHARTER CHATTER

September 2014



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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 note these changes in policy...

- Latest early pick up time is 1:50 pm (Elem) unless is an Early Dismissal Day, then it is 12:50 pm.
- Lobby is closed from 1:50 to approximately 2:20 for car loop.
- Afternoon release time for children is 2:15. The first time you arrive for pickup after 3:00 you will receive a warning. Repeated late pickups will result in your child receiving a demerit. If 5 demerits are issued, you child's field trip privileges will be removed.



September



- 9/03/14 Science Fair Info Night, Trad 6-7 pm
- 9/10/14 Early Dismissal, 1:15 Elem, 3:00 Midd
- 9/13/14 Saturday Book Clubs, 9-10 am
- 9/15/14 Book Fair Begins, Trad
- 9/16/14 Open House, 6 – 8 pm, Elementary
- 9/16/14 Tuesday Tea, 8 – 9 am, Trad
- 9/24/14 Early Dismissal, 1:15 Elem, 3:00 Midd
- 9/24/14 School Pictures, Imm (in uniform)
- 9/26/14 School Pictures, Trad (in uniform)

Upcoming...

- 10/15/14 Early Dismissal, 1:15 Elem, 3:00 Midd
- 10/17/14 Teacher Dev. Day – Student Holiday
- 10/21/14 Science Project Help Night – 6-7:00 pm, Trad

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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
- ♦ Eric Marshall - Principal (Middle)
- ♦ Marilyn Kinsel – Dir. of Operations
- ♦ Linda Mahovlich – Student Services
- ♦ Mercedita Ortiz - ESE
- ♦ Nina Orellana – Title I

Board of Directors

- ♦ Ronald Mc Kendree – President
- ♦ Vacant – Vice President
- ♦ Vacant– Board Member
- ♦ Anthony Ingoglia – Parent Contact
- ♦ Vacant – Board Member

Meetings: as posted

PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)

- ♦ President – Renata Jordan
- ♦ Vice President – Deborah Shannon
- ♦ Treasurer – Jennifer Roberts

Meetings: To be announced

Who to talk to on questions about...

- ♦ Transportation (Busing) – Fran Chatelier
- ♦ Free & Reduced Lunch – Crystal Cameron
- ♦ Curriculum – Marilyn Kinsel
- ♦ Student Reading Assist – Linda Mahovlich
- ♦ Events – Front Desk
- ♦ Field trips – Your student's teacher

Daily Details

Box Tops and Can Tabs

We are collecting box tops and can tabs. The school receives .10 per box top. The tabs are going to Ronald McDonald House. Please turn them in at the front office. There is a jar for the can tabs and a box for the box tops.

Breakfast and Lunch Money

Breakfast and lunch are ordered in the early morning by the teachers. In order for your child to have lunch that day, please make sure the teacher or the lunch room personnel receives \$2.75 (.40 for reduced) from your child that morning for lunch that afternoon. Breakfast is ordered in the morning for the next day at a cost of \$1.40 (reduced cost is .40). Arrangements can be made to pay in advance for lunch either weekly or by month.

Student Medical Information

If your child must take prescription or over the counter medication for temporary or chronic illness or allergies (this includes inhalers, Motrin, Tylenol, and cough drops) please stop by administration to fill out the required health forms and we will put the medicine under lock in the clinic.

Jokes & Riddles - Answers



1. He replied, "Don't worry honey, I'll take care of it." He closed the curtain.
2. Fall.
3. Squash.
4. I'm falling for you.
5. Because it's too far to walk.
6. Because we keep falling.
7. The letter f.
8. Where's Papa Corn?
9. Because it's too far to walk.
10. Squash.



Clubs!



Chorus

Choral Group –Mr. Cohen will conduct choral practice on Mondays 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 emailed out. Arrangements must be made with Mr. Cohen before children can attend. Please contact Mr. Cohen for expectations of students. To contact please send email to: ycohen@palmbayacademy.org

Strings

Strings Group – **For Beginning Strings:** every Monday morning 7:30-8 am and every Friday 2:15-3:00 pm (Immersion students will be Tuesday mornings at their campus). This group is limited to 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades. **For 2nd/3rd Year Strings:** every Tuesday and Thursday, 2:15-3:00 pm This group is limited to those students who are taking Strings for the 2nd or 3rd year. There is no fee for attending, students must bring their own instruments (rented or owned) to attend and have the required book and materials. Information has been emailed out. Arrangements must be made with Mr. Cohen before children can attend. Please contact Mr. Cohen for expectations of students. To contact please send email to: ycohen@palmbayacademy.org

Chess

Chess Club - every Tuesday between 2:30-3:30 pm. This group is limited to 2nd through 5th grades. Students do not need to know how to play chess to join. Please contact Mr. McKenna for information.

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 Saturdays 9:00 - 10:00 am. 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.

How's Your Pond?...

Sometimes we go through our day with the feeling that we are alone in this world; alone in our thoughts, troubles, fears and resentments. The fact is, though, our attitudes and energy touch everyone around us. Science has proven that energy projects from our body and impacts other people, plants and animals. The energy projected is gauged from 0.3 to 30 Hz (cycles per second), with most of the activity in the range of 7-8 Hz. This energy begins in the brain, spreads to other parts of our body and then is broadcast outward. Even the few Hz being transmitted is enough for living organisms to respond, displaying a variety of effects ranging from cellular/subcellular scales to brain level, emotions, and behavior. This energy also affects non-living things, like buildings, neighborhoods, and other places.

Just think about this. You are projecting energy. Everyone is projecting energy. All these thoughts and feelings are being transmitted out into the world. This energy gathers in areas and pools together, collecting in homes, work places, towns and cities. This is why physical places can have a "feel" to them; like churches that feel uplifting, towns that feel depressed, and libraries that feel peaceful. We all unconsciously contribute to the feel of places.

Think of your energy (feelings, thoughts, and attitudes) as a rock dropped in a pond. The pond is where you live, work, or perhaps a community group. Your "rock" does two things, it adds something to the pond and it creates ripples that spread out sometimes reaching all the way to the edge. Other people drop their rocks likewise affecting the pond. Depending upon the "rocks" that are dropped, we can either end up with a swampy morass of a pool (low vibration energy – depressing, unhealthy) or a crystal clear rejuvenating pool (high level energy – uplifting, beneficial).

This means, because of our energy output, we are always altering the pond that we and others live in. If we drop uncaring or malicious comments and selfish attitudes, we create ripples of dissatisfaction and distress. If we drop beneficial and compassionate attitudes we create ripples of gratitude and well-being.

I prefer to drop positive and constructive attitudes, creating optimistic and productive ripples. How is your pond?



Donna Moore



campus. Please plan to attend and be part of our PBA PTO.

The PBA PTO welcomes everyone back for the 2014-2015 school year. We will hold our first meeting of the year on **Sept, 29th at 5:00 pm at the Middle School**

Renata Jordan, President

Stages of Discipline

It is not necessary for a behavioral issue to be a repeated one for these stages to be initiated. Higher stages can result from a variety of behavioral issues.

Level 1: Warnings and/or documented Phone Conv. w/Parent

Level 2: Documented Phone Conv. w/Parent

Level 3: Silent Lunch – No Warnings Necessary (this level & higher)

Level 4: 1st ISS*

Level 5: 2nd ISS

Level 6: OSS**

*ISS = In School Suspension

**OSS = Out of School Suspension

Threatened or actual violence = automatic suspension/expulsion

PLEASE NOTE: Certain misconduct that falls under the Zero Tolerance policy is not subject to the Stages of Discipline. Appropriate action will be taken immediately in these cases.



School Uniforms

Uniforms are ordered from All Uniform Wear (321)608-3845. Traditional K – 5 wears white polo shirts with the school's insignia and navy blue bottoms. Immersion K – 3 wears navy blue polo shirts with the school's insignia and khaki bottoms.



PE Uniforms

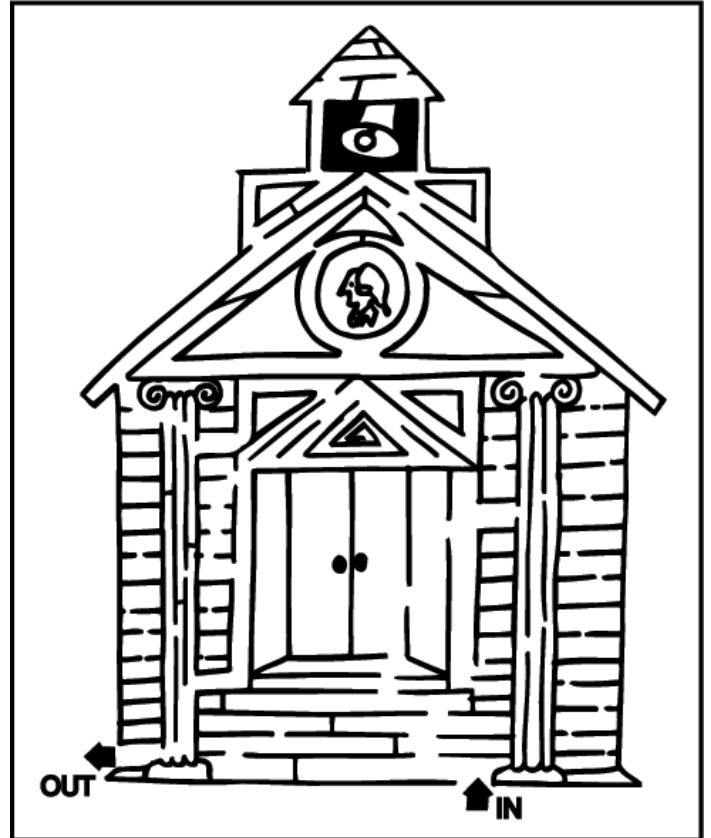
PE uniforms are also purchased at All Uniform Wear. PE uniforms consist of sports mesh shorts and the PE shirt (white with a blue panther face).

Puzzlers & Fungestions

Jokes & Riddles: answers on page 2

1. A husband was watching football on a crisp Fall Sunday. His wife told him she was tired of looking at all the leaves in the yard. What did the husband do?
2. If money really did grow on trees, what would be everyone's favorite season?
3. What do you get when you drop a pumpkin?
4. What did one leaf say to another?
5. Why do birds fly south in the Fall?
6. A family of Fall leaves were trying to change a light bulb. A squirrel walked by and asked why the bulb wasn't changed yet.
7. What do you see in fall, but not in summer, winter, or spring?
8. What did Baby Corn say to Mama Corn?
9. Why do birds fly south in the fall?
10. What garden vegetable do you find under an elephant's foot?

See if you can work your way through the school house.



www.squiglyspplayhouse.com

Friday Fest Family Street Party:

Downtown Melbourne. Family-oriented event, art, craft and business vendors, great food and beverage, children's activity area. Stores/restaurants remain open. Admission/parking free, 2nd Friday of each month, 6 - 10pm.

All Kids can Family Event:

September 27, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Enjoy a day filled with activities; learn about local and nonprofit companies, their products, services, resources, & activities to all families! At the Viera High School, free event.

Melbourne Air & Space Show:

Featuring US Air Force Thunderbirds and nation's top civilian acts, Oct 4th-5th, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Melbourne International Airport, \$15 entry fee. To purchase tickets visit: <https://tickets.completeticketsolutions.com/CBA/Online/default.asp>

Try these websites for children's fun & development:

- ◆ [Starfall](http://www.starfall.com/) <http://www.starfall.com/> : This site offers reading with phonics and includes downloadable journals, books & activities
- ◆ [ABCya!](http://www.abcya.com/) <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/) <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) <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/) <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/#) <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.