



CHARTER CHATTER

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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 remember that breakfast is served only from 7:25 to 7:55 am. Students are sent to their classrooms at 7:35 to begin morning work and review. The teachers begin new curriculum at 8:00 am sharp. Your child is late after 8:00 and marked tardy after 8:05.

If you wish your child to have breakfast, please be sure they order it the day before with their teachers and arrive by 7:30 so they have time to eat.



Calendar

October

10/06/15	Science Fair Info Night: 6-7pm (Trad)
10/12/15	Family Book Club: 3-4 pm
10/15/15	Readers of the Caribbean: 6-7 pm (Middle)
10/16/15	Teacher Dev. Day – Student Holiday
10/17/15	Midd Sch Homecoming: 7-9 pm
10/20/15	Tuesday Tea: 8-9 am (Trad)
10/24/15	Harvest Festival: 4-8 pm (Middle)

Upcoming...

11/03/15	Family Math Night: 6-7 pm (Trad)
11/11/15	Veterans Day – Holiday For All

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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
- ◆ Mercedita Ortiz – Student Services
- ◆ Mercedita Ortiz - ESE
- ◆ Nina Orellana – Title I

Board of Directors

- ◆ Vacant – President
- ◆ Kenneth Delgado – Board Member
- ◆ Manhar Shah – 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
- ◆ Food Services – Crystal Cameron
- ◆ Curriculum – Marilyn Kinsel
- ◆ Student Reading Assist – Mercedita Ortiz
- ◆ 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.

New Breakfast-Lunch Program

Palm Bay Academy has a new lunch program (Community Eligibility Provision) which provides FREE lunch & breakfast to all PBA students. Breakfast is served between 7:25 and 7:55 AM. Breakfast must be ordered the day before, lunch ordered the same day. If your student is arriving to school after 8:30 am, please call to order a lunch for that day and breakfast for the next day.

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, or Tylenol) please stop by administration to fill out the required health forms and we will put the medicine under lock in the clinic.



PBA PANTHER FOOTBALL

Home Coming Celebration
at Middle School Cafetorium,
Sat. 10-17-15, 7 – 9 pm



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 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 – Ms. Collins will conduct strings group starting on 21st and held 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

Drama

Drama Club – Ms. Crystal conducts drama club every Thursday between 2:45-4:00 pm. Drama is currently full.

Dance

Dance From Around The World Club – Ms. Crystal conducts dance club every Friday between 2:45-4:00 pm. Please contact Ms. Crystal for more information: ccameron@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.

No Child Left Behind

The new SPAR report will be available on our website at the end of the month. Click on the [No Child Left Behind - SPAR](#) link to access. Report is located online at... http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/year1415/nclb1415.cfm?dist_schl=5_6501#graduation

We All Have Relationships, None Are Perfect...

We all have relationships. We couldn't get through life without relationships. We feel great when our relationships are enjoyable and rejuvenating. We feel awful when they are not. But, one thing's for sure, none of them are perfect. Since none of them are perfect, what can we do? If you're a glass half-empty type of person prone to negative thinking, this will be a challenge and you'll need to commit to a conscious and daily practice of orienting toward the positive. If you're a glass half full type of person, things are a bit easier. A bit.

So, back to what we can do. In every moment, we can choose to focus on what's working in our relationships or what's not working and what annoys us. And relationships (much to the consternation of some including myself) are not something that can be "fixed". They are to be appreciated and cherished. We offer opportunities for others to grow and when they start to change in order to grow we should respect and foster that change.

Not being a relationship expert (in any way shape or form) myself, I have borrowed from the advice of another, namely Jonathan Mead's secrets to successful relationships. Here is his advice...

1. Accept others as they are
2. Be more concerned with being kind than being right
3. Be the best person you can be
4. Don't make assumptions or take things personally
5. If you need something, ask for it (others can't read your mind)

A short, but not so easy list. So even though relationships are never perfect, and things may not be exactly as we want if we act with love and compassion, whether we understand the other person or not, we are doing the best we can. And the most important thing to remember is...

A perfect relationship isn't ever actually perfect. It's just one where the people in it never give up on each other no matter how rough and how difficult things get.

Donna Moore



A BIG Thank You

The following volunteers have been of immeasurable help at some time during the last 9 weeks....

**Florida Marana
Ceasar Reveron
Jennifer Roberts**



Volunteers
Make the Difference

When my child came home from school on the bus, I paused the conference call I was on to ask how she was. She responded, "Shhh, go back to work. I have a list of things I want you to buy me with the money you're making." She's five.

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 Reading

Valerie Douglas
Judith Maneiro
Janina Martin
Mercedita Ortiz
Patricia Quinlivan
Michel Zinone

Middle School – ESOL Other

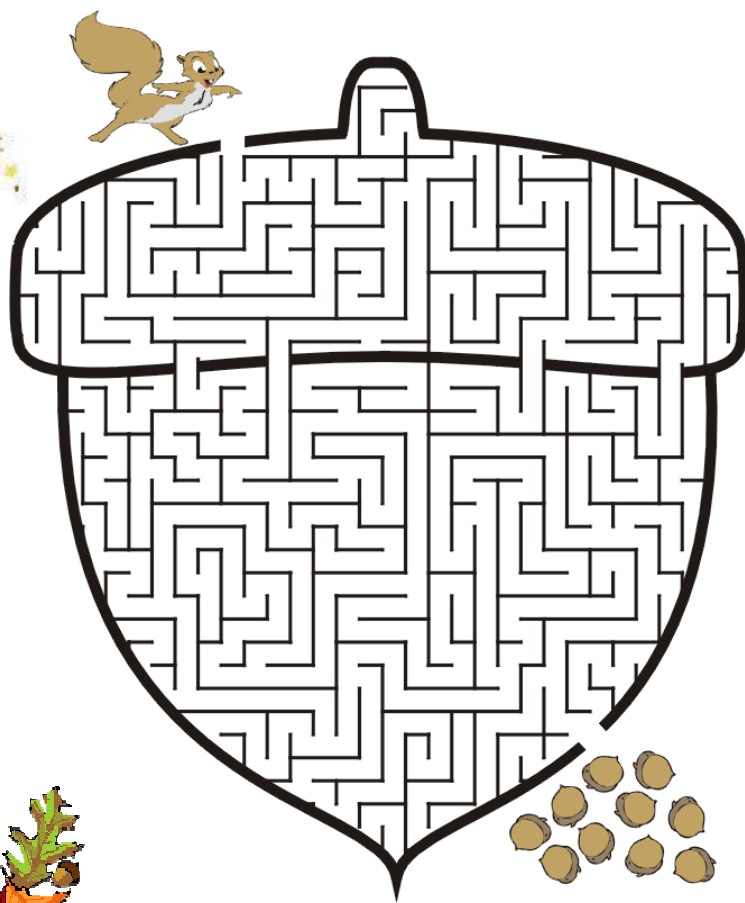
Erin Flynn – ESOL Social Studies
Henry Rockhill – ESOL Math

Middle School –Reading

Alice George
Anne Gordon
Melissa Kurrus

Puzzlers & Fungestions

Help the squirrel through the maze to find its acorns



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...

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Brevard Zoo- Boo at the Zoo!!!

Sponsors host treat stations where they distribute candy and treats to the children. New haunted house, DJ music, games, costume contest. 5:30 – 8:00 pm. Oct 9-11, Oct 16-18, Oct 23-25. Fee \$6 - \$14 depending upon day & age.

Wamsley Halloween Light Show:

Oct 6 – 31, 441 Town Road, Palm Bay. Enjoy 4 singing faces, 24 pumpkins, house lights dance to songs tuned into your car radio station 87.9. Spider's nest, graveyard, & floats on side of house. Event is FREE. Please be courteous to traffic & neighbors

Harvest Festival: Sat Oct 17, 10 am - 3 pm, The Avenue Viera. Live music, hay maze, pumpkin patch, family photo area, and more family fun. Event is FREE.

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.