



Poinciana Academy of Fine Arts

NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Greetings PAFA Stars and Families! We are coming to the end of the 2018/19 school year. We have worked very hard this year and our Stars deserve a pat on their backs for all they have accomplished this year. We are so proud of our students and look forward to seeing our state assessment results when they are published this summer.

Please be sure that your children remain engaged with academics over the summer. Many times, students lose knowledge if they do not continue to practice using the skills they have learned throughout the school year. We encourage you to read with your children daily and take time to review math concepts with them as well.

I look forward to a strong end of this school year!

~Dr. Dos Santos



STAR NEWS

Enjoy your Summer Break with your kiddos!

It is important to take time to do something special with your children. The summer break is a great opportunity to try some fun activities as a family. Please see some suggested summer activities listed below. Have a fantastic summer PAFA Stars!

Summer Activities:

- Make s'mores
- Go rollerskating
- Explore a new place
- Read a book together
- Paint rocks
- Family Game Night

LITERACY NEWS

Your child probably enjoys the summer break from school! Did you know that if your child does not read over the



summer months, he or she could lose 2-3 months of learning? Be sure to have your child read this summer! One way to cool down from a hot summer day is to visit your local library and check out the latest books. Plus, local libraries usually offer lots of learning programs throughout the summer as well. Plan to take your children to the Poinciana Library this summer for a little reading!

KEY DATES

- 5/30/2019: Last Day of School
- 5/31-8/11/19: Summer Break
- 8/12/2019: First Day of School
- 8/29/19: SAC Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Why does attendance matter?

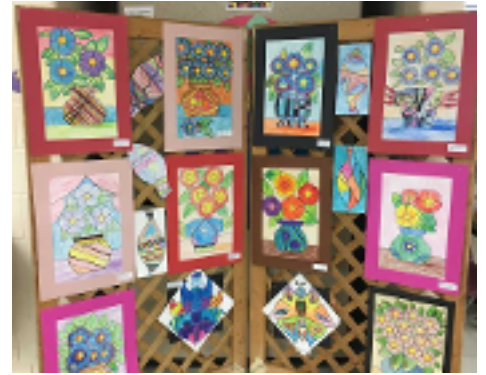
Children who are consistently absent from school miss out on fundamental reading and math skills. Research has shown that good attendance correlates with success in school and beyond! Children need to be present in order to learn much needed skills to prepare them for life after school.

Here at PAFA, we recognize this need and celebrate attendance every month! We honor students with perfect attendance for the month and students who have shown improvement in their daily attendance.

For the 19/20 school year, we will place an emphasis on attendance. It will be our goal to reach and maintain a 95% average daily attendance rate. Please help us with our attendance initiative by ensuring your child is at school every day!

**ATTENDANCE
MATTERS.
ALL DAY, EVERY DAY**

OUR ARTS PROGRAMS



Setting the Stage for the Future

At PAFA, we set the stage for your child's future in multiple ways. Below are some highlights of how we prepare our students for the future.

- Rigorous, standards-based curriculum and instruction
- Varied classroom settings for optimal learning
- Exposure to multiple fine arts (dance, drama, music, strings, and visual arts)
- Arts-infused lessons and tasks to expand student thinking
- AVID (Advancement via Individual Determination) strategies and methodologies to support learning)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Uniforms

Tops: Polo shirts in gold, purple, white or navy blue must be worn Monday through Thursday. School spirit t-shirts can be worn on Fridays only.

Bottoms: Khaki, navy blue, black pants or solid jeans must be worn Monday through Friday.

New School Hours for

19/20 School Year

8:20 a.m. school day starts

3:20 p.m. dismissal

Breakfast

Breakfast will be served from 7:50 a.m.-8:20 a.m.