



NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES:

THANKSGIVING

BREAK

Wednesday

Nov.22,2017-

Sunday, Nov. 26,
2017

RECITAL

Sunday, Dec. 17,
2017 4pm

CHRISTMAS BREAK

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WHY KIDS HATE PRACTICING?



It is highly probable that 99.8% of the entire population of children hates to practice. It is also the most common complaint of parents who worry why their kids refuse to leave their friends and Xboxes behind for a couple hours with scales, metronome counting, and Beethoven. After all, who really prefers work over fun? It's not just coincidence that those two words are hardly ever synonymous.

There are actually reasons why kids detest practicing. Some resist more than others, but few ever elect to practice on their own free will. Here are the reasons:

- 1. It's too boring.** Your child goes to a piano lesson and learns the same things every, single week. She isn't practicing, and in turn, the teacher doesn't move forward. It becomes a vicious cycle of boring, boring, boring and your child loses interest. What's the point in practicing if it's never any better? Besides, she could just score some serious points on Wii Tennis and feel like a superstar.
- 2. It's not challenging enough.** Oftentimes, kids lose interest when they've solved a puzzle or if they learn faster than their classmates in school. Grades drop, your child becomes cranky, and you wonder what you did wrong since he's so smart.
- 3. It's too hard.** Ever notice your child refuse to do her math homework simply because she didn't get it? Kids feel discouraged when they don't understand something, and besides, not understanding something they're supposed to learn makes them feel stupid, even if they're clearly not.
- 4. There are no real goals.** If your child goes to his lesson every week with the expectation of doing the same darn thing again, interest will wane and he will get antsy – to get out of there, really fast! Kids are dynamic and need smaller goals to reach a

bigger goal. The same goes for why kids enjoy playing video games – they see they are progressing and reach “check points,” eventually conquering the game.

5. Parents push too hard. No one really likes being told what to do. When kids emerge into their own sense of independence, they will fight as hard as they can against those who preach, push, and provoke. An argument can be made that children must be pushed since they’ll usually never do anything challenging on their own, and while this is mostly true, there is a degree of moderation which must be exercised here.

6. They simply don’t want to do it. Now, I left this reason for last since it’s easy to make this the go-to reason. In reality, it’s the least common reason why kids hate practicing. But when all else fails and your child has an undying passion for basketball, by all means, it really means they’d rather play basketball!

The real question lies in how to encourage your child to practice. Here are some ways to create healthy habits of practicing:

1. Ask your child what he finds especially difficult and ask his teacher how they can work together to better understand a concept or technically handle a difficult passage. Breaking it down into much smaller chunks, slow practice, and even backtracking is a very productive way of getting to the root of understanding something new.

2. Set up incentives for the end of every week. You can set up a chart or give points for mastering a particular goal, the “Fun-work) assigned each week. Your child may get lost in the bigger picture (10 weeks of consistent practice earns a prize from Ms. Perry), so it’s important to emphasize the small but important achievements that he/she can see at the moment.

3. Ask yourself if your child isn’t playing because of you. If their reasons are, “I don’t want to do what you say,” or if your answer is “Because I said so,” chances are that you are indeed enforcing practice in unhealthy ways. The reasons for practice should never be because of your wishes as a parent, but because of the fact that they enjoy it and there’s a some work involved in achieving anything, including sports and video games. Relax a little bit and see how your child approaches practicing when not told to do so. If you child still refuses to practice, talk to him about how playing, not practicing the instrument makes him feel. If he enjoys playing, then create a chart with daily and weekly goals to indirectly enforce his practicing habits while giving him some level of independence.

4. Be understanding about this one, but also really dig deeply into the situation. “I hate violin” is usually an easy complaint, and though it isn’t always the reason why your child hates practicing, it truly can be if your child has other interests which she’d like to pursue. Lots of times, children will come back to music later in life, but even if they don’t, never take it as a personal failure as a parent or as a rejection of you. After all, the world would be pretty dull if we all shared the same interests, wouldn’t it?

It’s important to be patient, persistent, and adaptable as your child grows and learns. Think about how you responded to homework, football practice, tests, and lessons as a child...depending on the kind of kid you were, you hated at least one of

those on the list. Practicing is very important, but it is also can be a very slippery slope on the path to musical growth. Above all, listen to your child and *really* hear what he or she needs.

Welcome our NEW students who enrolled July, Aug. Sept & October

Florfil R.
Shanti G.
Donnie W. (referred by Shekinah T.)
Alexis D.
Connor Y.
Kayden K.
Tianna L.
Sunantha R.
Naryana H.

Refer a Friend & get a FREE lesson....CONTEST!!

Dear Academy Student,

One of the ways that the Academy is able to grow is by enrolling great students just like you.

For the month of November, there will be a contest for the student who refers the most people.

How do you get credit? Tell them to call, email, blast the landing page or go on the website and fill out the contact us form. When asked, who referred you, make sure they put your name.

At the end of the month, the person who has the *most referrals* will win 1 month of lessons on the house OR a gas or restaurant gift card!



FREE LESSON GIFT CERTIFICATE

Thank you
YOUR NAME HERE!

For referring _____ to the Academy!

NOVEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Isaac Denson



1. What instruments do you play?

Piano

2. How long have you taken lessons?

2 ½ years

3. Who are your favorite musical artists?

Paul Taylor

4. What are your other hobbies, besides music?

Football and Soccer

5. What is the coolest thing you've learned in your lessons in the past three months?

Too many to choose, but I love the fact that I can sight read every song in the book!

Meet Our Neighbor: Royal Pointe Dance Academy!

We are proud to introduce to some, and present to others our neighbor and collaborative partner! RPDA has been featured at 2 of our past recitals as we work together to showcase performing arts! RPDA is located @ 237 2nd St, Holly Hill, which is 5 doors down from Angelic Muziki. They also hold a few classes in our suite!

I personally know the owner, and I have seen her instructors in action. I can highly recommend RPDA for your choice of dance.

So, are you ready to dance?

Royal Pointe Dance Academy is still accepting new students! Students as young as 2 years old can enjoy classes in ballet, jazz, tap, modern, acro and even breakdancing.

We are offering an exclusive coupon to Angelic Muziki students!

Use the exclusive code to receive \$10 off annual registration!



Email updates@royalpointeda.com and let us know you are a student from Angelic Muziki to receive the code, or bring in this coupon!

Important Information!

New Registration Fee

As the academy grows, it takes more time to gather information and get everyone in the system. We will now charge a \$25 one time registration fee.

If you are a current student, you do not have to register as your space and information is already in the system.

However, if you are not an Academy student, or have withdrawn since last Spring or Summer, you will need to re-register.

The Academy is growing and is in the process of partnering by offering small group lessons with the City of Daytona Beach's Leisure and Cultural services! The classes should begin in the new year.

Remember we offer drums, guitar, ukulele in addition to piano and voice. Take up a new instrument now!

For this November, and this November only, you can save 50% off the registration fee when you reserve your spot for January. Email us @ brejova@angelicmuziki.com or call/text 386-516-4650 to reserve your spot.

We look forward to seeing you at your next lesson!

HOLIDAY RECITAL 2017!!!

This year, we will be featuring pieces from the *Nutcracker*, *Charlie Brown's Christ*, *The Grinch who Stole Christmas* and *Polar Express*. As usual, the recital is **FREE!**

We will also have **small business vendors** for your holiday shopping experience. Shop local and support mom and pop shops! If you or anyone you know would like to be a part of our vendor showcase, please contact us @ brejoya@angelicmuziki.com or 386-516-4650.

The recital will be on Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017 @ 4pm @ Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ormond Beach, located at [56 N Halifax Dr, Ormond Beach, FL 32176](#).

****Students need to arrive at 2:45 for photo and quick run through****

Musically yours,

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