



# ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The mission of the Orlando Science Schools (OSS) is to use proven and innovative instructional methods and exemplary reform-based curricula in a stimulating environment with the result of providing its students a well-rounded middle school and high school education in all subject areas. OSS will provide rigorous college preparatory programs with a special emphasis in mathematics, science, technology, and language arts.

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### Principal's Corner

Dear Students & Parents,

I hope everyone had a great week as OSS starts this holiday weekend. Please take the time to reflect on the significance of the journey that Martin Luther King Jr. took in order to make this world a better and equal place for all of us and the sacrifice he gave of himself.

OSS has some wonderful events coming up starting with the annual Spelling Bee! For more info, please read page 4.

OSS Math Team continues their success with past and upcoming competitions along with Mu Alpha Theta holding an open competition for anyone student interested in math!

Don't forget to drop off your can tabs to the front desk in an effort to help those families at the Ronald McDonald House while you're there; gather up some information on ordering the yearbook.

OSS International Night will be coming in the Spring semester with new foods to try, interesting facts to learn and an opportunity to learn more about so many different cultures here at OSS. Stay tuned for more details.

Sincerely,

**Necati Sahin, OSS Principal**

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education. ~ Martin Luther King, Jr.

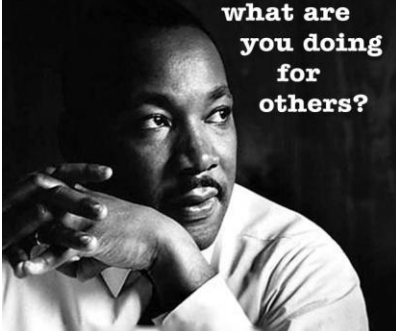
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Life's most persistent and urgent question is,

**what are  
you doing  
for  
others?**



## OSS Upcoming Events

1. No School-Friday and Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>
2. Jan 18<sup>th</sup> Regional Science Olympiad at Lake Nona Middle School
3. Jan 18<sup>th</sup> MAO Lake Mary Regional
4. Jan 25<sup>th</sup> School Wide Math Counts

2013-2014 Report Card Dates	
1st Quarter Progress Report Card	Tuesday, September 24, 2013
1st Quarter Report Card	Tuesday, October 22, 2013
2nd Quarter Progress Report Card	Friday, December 6, 2013
2nd Quarter Report Card	Tuesday, January 14, 2014
3rd Quarter Progress Report Card	Tuesday, February 18, 2014
3rd Quarter Report Card	Tuesday, March 18, 2014
4th Quarter Progress Report Card	Tuesday, April 29, 2014
4th Quarter Report Card	Tuesday, June 3, 2014

**\*\*Always check the OSS website and Make sure you check your emails\*\***

Dear parents,

You must complete your additions volunteer application in order to visit or volunteer on campus.

It takes only a few minutes and it is free and it's mandatory!!

<https://www.ocps.net/es/cr/resources/pages/additions.aspx>



## This Week in History

Jan 14, 1784: Continental Congress ratifies the Treaty of Paris

Britain officially agreed to recognize the independence of its 13 former colonies as the new United States of America.

In addition, the treaty settled the boundaries between the United States and what remained of British North America. U.S. fishermen won the right to fish in the Grand Banks, off the Newfoundland coast, and in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence. Both sides agreed to ensure payment to creditors in the other nation of debts incurred during the war and to release all prisoners of war. The United States promised to return land confiscated during the war to its British owners, to stop any further confiscation of British property and to honor the property left by the British army on U.S. shores, including slaves. Both countries assumed perpetual rights to access the Mississippi River.

Jan 14, 1973: Undeclared Dolphins beat Redskins in Super Bowl VII

Jan 15, 1919: Molasses floods Boston streets

Fiery hot molasses floods the streets of Boston on this day in 1919, killing 21 people and injuring scores of others. The molasses burst from a huge tank at the United States Industrial Alcohol Company building in the heart of the city.

The United States Industrial Alcohol building was located on Commercial Street near North End Park in Boston. It was close to lunch time on January 15 and Boston was experiencing some unseasonably warm weather as workers were loading freight-train cars within the building. Next to the workers was a 58-foot-high tank filled with 2.5 million gallons of crude molasses.

Suddenly, the bolts holding the bottom of the tank exploded, shooting out like bullets, and the hot molasses rushed out. An eight-foot-high wave of molasses swept away the freight cars and caved in the building's doors and windows. The few workers in the building's cellar had no chance as the liquid poured down and overwhelmed them.

Jan 16, 1919: Prohibition takes effect

The 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, prohibiting the "manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes," is ratified on this day in 1919 and becomes the law of the land.

*this week in*  
**HISTORY**

Next week, language arts teachers in grades 6-8 will conduct a spelling bee in their classes on January 21, 2014. The top three winners from each class, in grades 6-8, will advance to the school-wide spelling bee on January 23, 2014 at TBD. Parents and relatives are welcome to attend the event on January 23. The winner of the school spelling bee will advance to the county competition in March. The school spelling bee will use study words approved by the National Spelling Bee. If you have any questions, please see Mr. Kriebel.





# Orlando Science Schools **MATHCOUNTS<sup>®</sup>** School Competition



**Who:** Middle School Students who enjoy Math  
**What:** Mathcounts School Competition  
**When:** Saturday, January 25th from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
**Where:** Cafeteria  
**Cost:** \$2 per person

**Create your team of four or compete individually**

**Dress down day for every participant  
Pizza party for top 3 teams**

**Register with Mr. Akyalcin by Wednesday, January 22nd**

OSS Competition Math teams would like to invite all middle school students to the MathCounts school-wide competition held on Saturday, January 25th.

There will be a dress down day for each participant and a pizza party for the top 3 teams. Students may create their own team of four and register with Mr. Akyalcin by next Wednesday January 22nd.



Orlando Science Schools' Competition Math Teams and Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society members participated in this year's first Mu Alpha Theta State wide invitational math competition last Saturday, January 11th. We are pleased to announce that our Algebra 1 team took 4th placed in the State of Florida with two of our Algebra 1 students, Esha Ranade and Nicholas Nguyen placing in top 25 in the state.

Congratulations to all of the students who participated!

On a final note, the upcoming Mu Alpha Competition will be next week on Saturday, January 18th at Lake Mary High School.

Good luck to all OSS Mathletes.



## CAN TABS

Please drop off your can tabs to the black can in front of Ms. Becc's desk.

We are collecting these tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

In April, along with many other Orange County schools, we will join the Ronald McDonald House in the "2013-14 School Pop Tab Recycling Contest".

The tabs collected will help families with sick children.

This will be an ongoing collection throughout the year.

**TAKE A FYLER AND COLLECT AT WORK AND SAVE A LIFE**

Attention Parents,

This years' yearbook is now on sale! If your child would like to purchase a yearbook, please send in \$30 to give to their homeroom teacher!

F.A.Q.

“When will we receive the book?”

The answer is “Before the end of the school year!”

I can't wait to show you the yearbook and have your child actually enjoy the perks of having their yearbook early enough to trade yearbooks for end of the year messages. Have a wonderful holiday season!! 😊



# The 2014 OSS International Night



May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014

5pm – 7pm

Music! Food! Art!  
Special Guests!  
Performances!

Please contact Mr. Parrella for more information  
at [Parrella@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Parrella@orlandoscience.org)



# CHARTER SCHOOL MEALS

## January 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Breakfast Selections</b>	<b>Breakfast Breaks</b> <b>Cinnamon Toast Crunch</b> <b>Goldfish Grahams</b> 100% Apple Juice Assorted Milk	<b>Team Cheerios Bar</b> <b>Cherry Yogurt Cup</b> Peach Cup Assorted Milk	<b>Blueberry Mini Loaf</b> Cheese Stick Mixed Fruit Cup Assorted Milk	<b>Pillsbury Frudel</b> Banana Assorted Milk	<b>Banana Bread</b> Strawberry Cup Assorted Milk	<b>Breakfast Selections</b>
5	6 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup California Blend Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	7 Beef or Turkey Burger on <b>WG Bun</b> <b>Potato Smiles</b> Vegetarian Beans Peach Cup Choice of Milk	8 Chicken Chili Brown Rice and Tortilla Chips Broccoli <b>Lettuce Tomato Cup</b> <b>Tangerine</b> Choice of Milk	9 Turkey Lasagna Rolls WG Garlic Breadsticks Glazed Carrots Italian Blend Vegetables <b>Banana</b> Choice of Milk	10 Hummus Dipper Cool Pack Garden Salad Peas and Carrots <b>Granny Smith Apple</b> Choice of Milk	11
12	13 Teriyaki Chicken over Brown Rice Mixed Vegetables Broccoli Stir Fry Vegetables Cool Rips Choice of Milk	14 Fiesta and Beef Casserole Banana Mini Loaf Carrots Cole Slaw Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	15 Popcorn Chicken Bowl WG Dinner Roll Sweet Potato Waffles <b>Orange Wedges</b> Choice of Milk	16 Turkey and Gravy Over Brown Rice Veggie Dippers Red Beans <b>Sliced Apples</b> Choice of Milk	17 Student Holiday	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Holiday	21 Turkey Hot Dogs <b>BBQ Baked Beans</b> Sweet Potato Crinkles Applesauce Choice of Milk	22 Mini Cheese Ravioli over Marinara Sauce WG Breadsticks Steamed Carrots Popeye Salad Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	23 <b>Sloppy Beef Nachos</b> <b>WG Tortilla Chips</b> Broccoli <b>Deli Rosters Potatoes</b> <b>Grapes</b> Choice of Milk	24 Italian and Provolone on WG Bun <b>Veggie Dippers</b> Green Beans <b>Tangerine</b> Choice of Milk	25
26	27 Chicken Nuggets WG Dinner Roll Sweet Potato Waffles Vegetarian Beans Peach Cup Choice of Milk	28 Tangerine Chicken over Brown Rice Stir Fry Vegetable Spinach Mixed Fruit Cup Choice of Milk	29 Fish Stick and Macaroni and Cheese WG Dinner Roll Veggie Dippers Peas and Carrots <b>Banana</b> Choice of Milk	30 Seasoned Beef and Gravy over WG Penne Pasta Cauliflower Cooked Carrots <b>Strawberries Fresh From Florida</b> Choice of Milk	31 Turkey and American on WG Bun Garden Salad <b>Crinkle Cut Potatoes</b> <b>Pear</b> Choice of Milk	1

### Lunch

**\$1.80 elementary**  
**\$2.50 middle/high**

**Breakfast**  
**\$1.25 elementary and 6<sup>th</sup> grade only**