



# 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,

Another great week at OSS!

As always, pages 2 and 3 share all of OSS' upcoming events and as well as a little bit of history to enrich your mind.

OSS will be honoring those who have given of themselves for our country with a celebration dinner, for more information, please read page 4.

OSS extends out into the community to help those in need and to meet influential members of our community. To learn more, check out page 5.

OSS will be hosting a career day to expand our students minds on what opportunities are out there waiting for them. To be a part of this wonderful day, please read page 9 for more information.

11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students have the opportunity to visit the Dali museum, so check it out before the clock changes.

And last but not least, don't forget to change your clocks back one hour on Sunday night!

Have a wonderful weekend and see you all next week!

Sincerely,

**Necati Sahin, OSS Principal**

*"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever." ~ Mahatma Gandhi*

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## OSS Upcoming Events



1. Turn back your clocks one hour before you go to bed on Saturday
2. Veteran's Day Dinner, November 12<sup>th</sup> –more details to come
3. OSS Career Day November 22<sup>nd</sup>
4. We are also looking for volunteer designers to design school banners, posters etc. Volunteers please contact the school and ask to meet with Dr. Akin for details.

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>

**\*\*\*Kennedy Space Center Field Trip is Sold out\*\*\***



## This Week in History

October 28<sup>th</sup> ,1929 – Black Monday, one of the worst days in the Wall Street Crash of 1929, beginning the Great Depression

Famous Birthday – Matt Smith, English actor and the 11<sup>th</sup> incarnation of *Dr. Who* (1982)

October 29<sup>th</sup> , 1787 – First performance of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's masterpiece, *Don Giovanni*

Famous Birthday – Bob Ross, American painter and maker of Happy Trees (1942)

October 30<sup>th</sup> , 1938 - Orson Welles broadcasts his radio play of H.G. Wells's *The War of the Worlds*, causing panic in some American cities of an alien invasion.

Famous Birthday – John Adams, 2<sup>nd</sup> President of the United States (1735)

October 31<sup>st</sup> , 1517 – German monk Martin Luther posts his 95 theses on the door of Wittenberg Cathedral. The act will trigger the Protestant Reformation

Famous Birthday – Robert Van Winkle aka Vanilla Ice, American rapper and friend of the Ninja Turtles (1967)

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 1938 – Horse racing underdog, Seabiscuit, defeats War Admiral in an upset victory during a match race.

Famous Birthday – Bobby “The Brain” Heenan, famed Pro-Wrestling manager and commentator. Considered by many to be the greatest manager of all time. (1944)

*This week in*  
**HISTORY**



## OSS Veterans Appreciation Dinner Ceremony

**Option 1: \$7 with Pasta Dinner**

**Option 2 Free to attend without  
Dinner**

**‘Please Circle Your Preferred Option’**

Dear Parents and Students,

Orlando Science Schools is providing a community outreach event for local veterans who have served their communities, states, and nation during the periods of active duty in our US Armed Forces. The event is on Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 5:30 pm. We would like to invite students and their families to OSS to participate in this unique opportunity. The program will include special guests:

Scott Carnean  
CMDM(NAC/SW/AW)  
U.S. Navy(Ret)  
Museum Curator  
Museum of Military History, Inc  
5210 West Ido Bronson Hwy  
(192)  
Kissimmee, FL 34746

Kyle Evans, Staff Sergeant  
Retired  
Army 2003-2010  
Two combat tours in Iraq  
Purple Heart  
Mayor of Orlando’s Veterans  
Advisory Committee

Stephen Shuga  
Gunnery Sergeant, US  
Marine Corps (Ret)  
1975 - 1995  
Combat tours - Various  
Conflicts and Gulf War I  
The American Legion,  
Department of Florida -  
Children & Youth  
Commission Chairman

Flowers, American Flag Pins, and American Flags will be provided by Baldwin-Fairchild Cemeteries, Funeral Homes & Crematory. Pasta dinner from Ragazzi’s Pizza for \$7 includes salad and garlic rolls.

Students will be performing and thank the veterans for their service. We will give the veterans flowers and thank you letters, written by our students.

Dinner participants need to RSVP to Ms. Becc **no later than Thursday, November 7, 2013** by turning in the form found below.

**The cost of dinner is \$7 per person.  
Date: Tuesday, November 12, 2013  
Time: 5:30 pm**

**Where: OSS Cafeteria  
Space will be limited to the first 250.  
Fill out the bottom portion of this letter.**

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Number to Attend \_\_\_\_\_ Total Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_



## 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**

### **National Science Olympiad team visits Mayor Buddy Dyer**

On Tuesday, October 29th, 16 Science Olympiad and Robotics students along with Dr. Akin and 5 other staff members met with Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer. The students introduced themselves to the Mayor and many of them spoke about the Robotics program and Science Olympiad Events. Mayor Dyer was very interested to hear about the progress of our Robotics teams and the grueling schedule our bright students maintain.

Several students asked questions including Elizabeth Martin who asked the Mayor how math and science relate to his position. He spoke about his first career as an engineer and how problem solving and logic help him with decision making in his current position as Mayor.

Cassandra Spence asked Mayor Dyer why he wanted to be Mayor. He spoke of his love of the City of Orlando and how his time in the Florida Senate prepared him to lead this great city.

We appreciate Mayor Dyer taking time from his busy schedule to meet with our students and hear about our great school!



October 10th

# Hispanic Heritage

at Orlando Science School by: Ms. Santos

THE BEST OF HISPANIC  
HERITAGE NIGHT

2013

National Hispanic Heritage Month is the period from September 15 to October 15 in the United States, when people recognize the contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the United States and celebrate the group's heritage and culture.

On October 10th, Orlando Science celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month with an entertaining and joyful event. Students heard motivational and educational Hispanic guest speakers:

Judge Martinez, the first Puerto Rican to serve as Judge in Central Florida. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University and his Juris Doctor from New York University Law School. To mention only a few of his professional activities: -He is a current member of the Orlando Science Center Diversity Board. -He is a Founding Member of the Hispanic Bar Association of Central Florida. -He is a former commissioner of the Florida State Commission on Hispanic Affairs.

KQ1 03FM - Jock Carlitos Dominguez from the Dominican Republic and NYC and Vero

Quiñones originally from Puerto Rico.

Miguel Gallardo: Goal Keeper Orlando City Soccer Club. Originally from MEXICO. He is the 2011 USL PRO Goalkeeper of the year holding the league record for clean sheets in 2011.

Student Testimonials:

"The food was good, their words were very inspirational to all of us." Dennis Berrios

"I really liked it because I got to see a soccer player, the judge, and my heros...KQ1 03! I also enjoyed the food and decorating... I had lots of fun with my friends." Geovanna Gutierrez Reyes

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# Hispanic Heritage Night at Orlando Science School 2013



"It was incredible."  
Julia Condes

# Hispanic Heritage

at Orlando Science School 2013



## Student Testimonials

"Hispanic Heritage Night was full of excitement, it had many guest speakers full of interesting stories. You sure missed out if you didn't go." Sabrina Stephan

"I thought Hispanic Heritage Night was a blast. To me Judge Martinez was the most inspiring person which presented of all the speakers. I had a great time and really enjoyed the event." Alexander Mora

"It was amazing. The performers were amazing, and the food was great!" Sarah Najeeb

"Everyone was very enthusiastic! The food was delicious and reminded me of my trip to Puerto Rico. My favorite part of the event was the dancing. It got people excited and it made me feel more connected to Spanish culture." Nia Jones

"I had the honor of representing Shakira. Shakira is proud of her hispanic heritage, along with many people that were there that spectacular night. Although I am not hispanic, I enjoyed being around everyone that was." Emily Stetzing

"There was a lot of good performances like poetry and dancing." Yinka Sunmoni

"I met an Orlando City Soccer Player and Judge Martinez. Judge Martinez is giving me a shadowing opportunity next month. The back stories of our guest speakers were inspiring to me, showing me that good things could forge from the worst places. I'm thankful I was able to attend and watch our students give presentations and watch Sra. Lugo dance with the Judge." Steven Billings Larson

"On this beautiful night in Orlando, many famous Hispanic stars came and talked about their lives. The food was amazing and many people attended. There were many student performers. It was a fun and memorable night." Max Gerardo

Hispanic Heritage Night was a wonderful event. All sorts of foods and culture for all to see. You could try many different kinds of foods that you might not have even heard of before. There was also music and exceptional stories told by guest speakers. You could almost feel their pain. It was a night to remember." Justin Lugo

"Hispanic Heritage Night was an festive event that supported Hispanic Heritage. There was food, dancing, and activities. The event also included Orlando City

Soccer Club, and as we all know "futbol" is an important part in latino culture. Overall, the event was a success and a lot of students enjoyed it." Suha Ansari

"The performances were great. I thought the acoustic poems were phenomenal and the guitarist was beautiful." Billie "Haryan" Jean

"I thought the event was extravagant. The food was awesome. The speakers really inspired me with their stories. The environment was fun, bright, and happy." Sarika Nana

"I liked Hispanic Heritage night, actually I loved it! I had a really nice time. The decorations were fantastic and beautiful! The colors really worked and lit up the room. All the speeches were nice and inspiring, my favorite was the soccer player." Anisa Mc Arthur

"The goalie from the Orlando Soccer Club came. That was a HUGE thing for people. From my experience, my friend was shaking when she met him. Also the radio station from 103.1 came and that was cool also." Sehyr Ali

"My favorite guests were the DJs from KQ103 because I listen to that radio station everyday!" Arial Torres



# Hispanic Heritage Night

"I had the best time." Jaelen Alexander



# OSS CAREER DAY

OSS will host its annual Career Day on November 22, 2013.

We are looking for parent volunteers with professional careers to spend the day with us and help inspire our students to lofty goals. You need to prepare an hour long presentation to deliver to different classes throughout the day.

Please take a moment and spend time with our students so they may gain your knowledge and insight. You never know if your words could make a future architect, doctor, scientist, opera singer or even a president!

Please email Ms. Becc with a short paragraph of what your employment is and how it could make a difference in a developing mind!



## ***OSS Journeys into the Surreal***

The 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade classes are taking Field Trip to the Salvador Dali Museum in St. Petersburg, FL on November 14<sup>th</sup>. The museum was established in 1982 and has been growing exponentially since with the construction of the new, surrealist inspired, building in 2011. Here the students can see the largest collection of Dali works inside the US as well as get an insight of the man behind the imagination. If you wish for your child to go, please make sure permission forms and money is turned into Mr. Parrella by Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Trip cost includes lunch provided by the museum.



# News You Can Use

## Future Physicists of Florida

On Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 47 OSS Students were inducted as Future Physicists of Florida at Florida State University.

Dr. Mark Riley delivered an outstanding speech to the young physicists after Dr. Cottle welcomed the inductees and their families. The purpose of the program is to guide the young talented students as they head towards their high school path, making sure they take the right courses and recognizing them for taking challenging college-prep classes, such as Calculus, Physics, and AP –IB Courses.

OSS Students visited Florida State University's Innovation Park which houses the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, Center for Advanced Power Systems, High Performance Materials Institute, and Applied Superconductivity Center. In these Nuclear Labs and high technology centers, PhD students, presidents of the centers, guided OSS students and explained in detail about their study and the background information of the research centers and labs. Students and parents gained a lot of unique information about Physics and their applications in real life by seeing these incredible machines and witnessing their power.

It was a great day for OSS students as they learned new scientific information and became more involved in Physics, enjoyed the FSU campus, experienced research lab visit and received certificates from Prof. Cottle and Dr. Riley.



## OSS Connect Online Recourse Module

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This is Mr. Yalcin, curriculum coordinator of Orlando Science Schools.

Quarter-1 is over and report Cards went home last week. Please review your student's report card and take a look at his/her report in Q-1. Quarter-2 which is a new and fresh for all students, has started.

# News You Can Use cont..

I strongly encourage parents to check their student(s)' OSS Connect account where you will find updates, upcoming assignments, download rubrics, homework, class work, and teacher class notes.

In addition, teachers have also created assignments in Study Island, Focus Achieves, and FCAT Explorer. Please encourage your child(ren) to benefit from these online resources as they are all great tools to practice and develop their mastery skills

Lastly, I would like to introduce a new module called "Online Resources" on your students' OSS Connect Home Page. This is a great module that allows access to the abovementioned resources.

Thank you so much for being involved and supportive in your student(s)' education. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate in contacting Mr. Yalcin.

I hope you have a great rest of the week with your family.



## OSS Semester Finals

OSS will administer Semester Finals. You may find the dates below. Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Yalcin at [Yalcin@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Yalcin@orlandoscience.org)

Department (Grade)	Date
Mathematics(6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	Monday, December 9
Spanish(7 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> )	Tuesday, December 10
HOPE(9 <sup>th</sup> ONLY)	Wednesday, December 11
ELA (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	Thursday, December 12
Social Studies (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	Tuesday, December 17
Web Design, C# (High School)	Wednesday, December 18
Science (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> )	Thursday, December 19
Music (8 <sup>th</sup> )	Monday, December 16

# National Center for Simulation visits OSS

Lt Gen (Ret) Thomas Baptiste, president of NCS introduced the students to simulation technologies and possible career options. He also spoke with the students about his career as a fighter pilot and its relation with the simulation field.

OSS students were mesmerized about his passion for his field of work and his determination to share this information with developing minds.

The **National Center for Simulation (NCS)** is a not-for-profit trade association with government, academic and industry members operating as an open consortium.

The vision of **NCS** is to be the internationally recognized leader in supporting and expanding the modeling and simulation community. As an organization, **NCS** is committed to promoting modeling and simulation technology expansion, supporting education and workforce development and providing business development support to its members.

**NCS** is working to create synergy for the advancement of simulation for training, bringing together the newest technologies in training and simulation and the industries that can benefit from them.



# CHARTER SCHOOL MEALS

## November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Breakfast Selections</b>	<b>Breakfast Breaks Fruity Cheerios Animal Crackers 100% Orange Juice Assorted Milk</b>	<b>Apple Cinnamon Mini-Loaf Cheese Stick Apple Slices Assorted Milk</b>	<b>Ultimate Breakfast Bun Mixed Fruit Cup Assorted Milk</b>	<b>Pillsbury Frudel Orange Wedges Assorted Milk</b>	<b>Banana Mini-Loaf Yogurt Strawberry Cup Assorted Milk</b>	<b>Breakfast Selections</b>
	28 Chicken Tenders WG Dinner Roll Baked Sweet Potato Waffle (½ c) Broccoli Mixed Fruit Cup Choice of Milk	29 Beef or Turkey Hamburger on WG Bun Potato Smiles Lettuce Tomato Cup Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	30 Chicken Chili Brown Rice Black Beans Green Beans Plums Choice of Milk	31 Turkey Gravy on WG Bread Bowl Cauliflower Cooked Carrots Pineapple Spear Choice of Milk	1 Italian Combo Sandwich Veggie Dippers Garden Side Salad Granny Smith Apple Choice of Milk	2
3	4 Teriyaki Chicken over Brown Rice Stir Fry Vegetables Green Beans Peach Cup Choice of Milk	5 BBQ Shredded Pork Wrap Sweet Potato Waffles Cole Slaw Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	6 Mini Cheese Ravioli over Marinara Sauce WG Breadstick Popeye Salad Veggie Dippers Pear Choice of Milk	7 Turkey Fajita Potato Smiles Red Beans Golden Apple Choice of Milk	8 Oven Roasted TB & Turkey Pepperoni & Cheese on WG Bread Garden Salad Baby Carrots Orange Wedges Choice of Milk	9
10	11 Turkey Hot Dogs BBQ Baked Beans Sweet Potato Crinkles Applesauce Choice of Milk	12 Tangerine Chicken over Brown Rice Stir Fry Vegetable Broccoli Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	13 Popcorn Chicken Bowl WG Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Corn Banana Choice of Milk	14 Turkey Lasagna Rolls WG Breadstick Mixed Vegetables Steamed Carrots Pineapple Spear Choice of Milk	15 Turkey Bologna and Cheese Veggie Dippers Potato Smiles Grapes Choice of Milk	16
17	18 Teriyaki Chicken over Noodles Stir Fry Vegetables Sweet Potato Waffles Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	19 Beef or Turkey Burgers Deli Roasters Potatoes Vegetarian Beans Orange Wedges Choice of Milk	20 Chicken/Sundried Tomato Alfredo WG Breadstick California Blend Vegetables Popeye Salad Tangerine Choice of Milk	21 Sliced Turkey w/ Gravy, Dressing WG Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Baked Cinnamon Apples Choice of Milk	22 Turkey Salami Sandwich Peas and Carrots Sweet Potato Crinkles Peach Cup Choice of Milk	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <h3 style="color: red; margin: 0;">Holiday Week - No School</h3> </div>						

### Lunch

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

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