



# ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

"The mission of Orlando Science Middle/High Charter School is to provide students with a well-rounded education with special emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) and Reading in the light of research based, proven and innovative instructional methods in a stimulating environment."

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## Principal's Corner

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! I hope we had a fantastic first week of school and we are ready for another successful year. For those of you who are new to the OSS Family welcome, we are so excited to have you. For those that are returning, welcome back we certainly missed you all over summer vacation.

We wanted to start our first weekly newsletter of the school year covering a few items and announce two upcoming meetings we will be holding one for Robotics and the other for Science Olympiad. As we continue through the school year your weekly newsletter will be your go to place for all the most up to date information and announcements.

In this newsletter you will also find the club schedule. Please note that at this time students may not switch or join clubs. If your student wants to drop a club please email Ms. Smith at [KSmith@orlandoscience.org](mailto:KSmith@orlandoscience.org) or Mr. Tuzen at [Tuzen@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Tuzen@orlandoscience.org). During the third week of school we will reopen club sign ups and for those students who need to join a club can do so at that time. Please note that once clubs are full we will not be permitted to add extra spots. If you sign up for more than one club per day you may be removed from both.

I would like to congratulate Siyona M. on becoming the National Champion of the 2016 National MassMutual South Asian Spelling Bee contest, please turn to page seven for more information. I would also like to congratulate 6 Orlando Science School students received Raytheon MathMovesU Scholarship Award. Please see page nine for more information.

Have a safe and wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

*Abdulaziz Yalcin*

Principal  
Orlando Science  
Middle/High School

# OSS Upcoming Events

- **August 20<sup>th</sup> 2016:** Robotics Club Meeting 10am Cafeteria
- **August 30<sup>th</sup> 2016:** Picture Day at OSS
- **September 5<sup>th</sup> 2016:** Labor Day (No School)

<b>2016-2017 Report Card Dates</b>	
<b>1st Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday September 14 <sup>th</sup> 2016
<b>1st Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> 2016
<b>2nd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday November 16 <sup>th</sup> 2016
<b>2nd Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, December 16 <sup>th</sup> 2016
<b>3rd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday February 1 <sup>st</sup> 2017
<b>3rd Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> 2017
<b>4th Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday April 26 <sup>th</sup> 2016
<b>4th Quarter Report Card</b>	Wednesday, May 31 <sup>st</sup> 2017

<b>2016-2017 Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) Nights</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday September 21 <sup>st</sup> 2016-4:00PM until 6:00PM Thursday September 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2016- 4:30PM until 6:30PM
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday November 30 <sup>th</sup> 2016-4:00PM until 6:00PM Thursday December 1 <sup>st</sup> 2016- 4:30PM until 6:30PM
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday February 15 <sup>th</sup> 2017-4:00PM until 6:00PM Thursday February 16 <sup>th</sup> 2017- 4:30PM until 6:30PM
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday May 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2017-4:00PM until 6:00PM Thursday May4 <sup>th</sup> 2017 4:30PM until 6:30PM

***Please note that dates can change. We will notify you prior to each PTC Night to sign up for a spot to meet with your student's teachers. Time slots will be limited to 15 minutes per student per quarter. If you need to meet with your student's teacher's other than the nights posted above you must email them.***

# This Week In History...



<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT(S)</b>
August 15 <sup>th</sup> 1872	The first ballot voting in England is conducted.
August 16 <sup>th</sup> 1988	IBM introduces artificial intelligence software.
August 17 <sup>th</sup> 1978	Three Americans complete the first crossing of the Atlantic in a ballon.
August 18 <sup>th</sup> 1939	The file <i>Wizard of Oz</i> opens in New York City.
August 19 <sup>th</sup> 1883	Gabrielle “Coco” Chanel, fashion designer is born.

If you would like to know more information regarding each of these events, please visit:

<http://www.historynet.com/>

# 2016-2017 OCPS School Calendar

<b>Monday August 15<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	First Day of School for Students
<b>Monday September 5<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Labor Day Holiday (School and District Offices are closed)
<b>Thursday October 13<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> marking period(43 Days)
<b>Friday October 14<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
<b>Monday October 17<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Begin 2 <sup>nd</sup> marking period
<b>Friday October 28<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Student Holiday/Teacher Professional Day/Teacher Non-workday
<b>W-F November 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Thanksgiving Break
<b>Friday December 16<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> marking period (41 Days)
<b>December 19<sup>th</sup>-January 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Winter Break
<b>Tuesday January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017</b>	Student holiday/Teacher Workday
<b>Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Students Return/ Begin 3 <sup>rd</sup> marking period
<b>Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Martin Luther King, JR Holiday( School and District offices are closed)
<b>Monday February 20<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	President's Day Holiday (Schools are closed. District Offices are closed)
<b>Thursday March 16<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> marking period(50 Days)
<b>Friday March 17<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Student Holiday/Teacher workday
<b>March 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Spring Break(Schools are closed, district offices are open)
<b>Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2016</b>	Begin 4 <sup>th</sup> marking period
<b>Friday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Student Holiday/ Teacher non-workday
<b>Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> 2017</b>	Memorial Day Holiday(School and District Offices are closed)
<b>Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup> 2017</b>	End of 4 <sup>th</sup> marking period. Last Day of School for students
<b>June 1<sup>st</sup>-June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017</b>	Post-planning for teachers



# Want to join a robotics team?



FRC 4013  
**Clockwork  
Mania**



To sign up you and your parents must come to an informational meeting at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 20, 2016 at Orlando Science Schools:

**FIRST LEGO League (FLL)**

Grades 6 to 8

Fee: \$125.00

**FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC)**

Grades 7 to 12

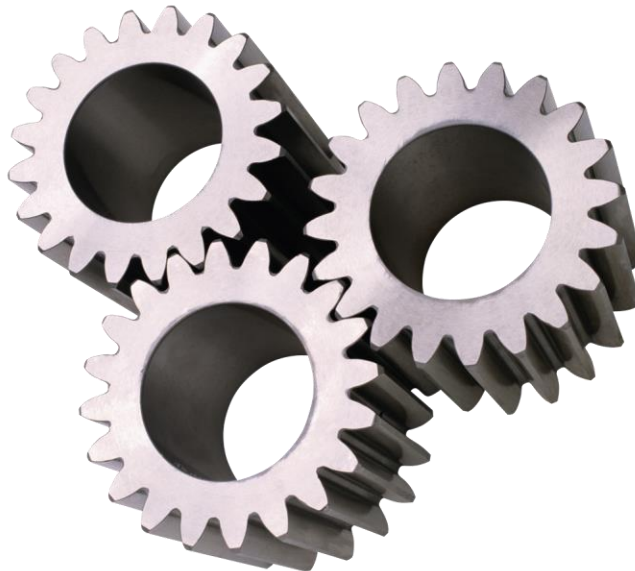
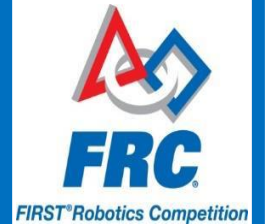
Fee: \$150.00

**FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC)**

Grades 9 to 12

Fee: \$225.00

For more information email Maribel Barea at  
[maribel.barea@orlandoscience.org](mailto:maribel.barea@orlandoscience.org)



# EXTRA, EXTRA

## Orlando Science School System Accreditation

Orlando Science School's plan to obtain accreditation for a school system is moving forward. A Readiness Visit was conducted by AdvancED to prepare the school's accreditation team for what is to come over the next several months.

Please view the link below for updates, links, and further information about Policies and Procedures of AdvancED.

<http://www.orlandoscience.org/advanced-accreditation/front-page/advanced-accreditation>



# 2016 National MassMutual South Asian Spelling Bee National Champion

I would like to share with you a great achievement from our 8th grade student, Siyona M. This August, Siyona has competed in the 2016 MassMutual South Asian Spelling Bee contest and clinch the title of national champion and took home a cash prize of \$10,000 from MassMutual at Rutgers University, NJ. Please congratulate Siyona for her great achievement!!! Earlier, she competed in 2015 Scripps National Spelling Bee and titled the 9th overall in the Nation and she was the runner up in the 2016 Sentinel Spelling Bee. This was a great success for her and her family.





# Scholarships *and* Grants

presented by **Raytheon**

6 Orlando Science School students received Raytheon MathMovesU Scholarship Award. Please see below links for more details.

<http://raytheon.mediaroom.com/2016-06-03-Raytheon-awards-300-000-in-MathMovesU-middle-school-scholarships-and-grants>

<http://finance.yahoo.com/news/raytheon-awards-300-000-mathmovesu-130000290.html>

<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/raytheon-awards-300000-in-mathmovesu-middle-school-scholarships-and-grants-300278971.html>

<http://www.fox14tv.com/story/32131756/raytheon-awards-300000-in-mathmovesu-middle-school-scholarships-and-grants>

Sheel T.  
Tanvi R.  
Justin K.  
Peter P.  
Mehmet A.  
Saardhak B.





Science Olympiad kickoff meeting will be next  
Saturday, August 27 at 10 A.M.

If you are interested in Science Olympiad (open to all grade levels), you are asked to attend the 2016-17-kickoff meeting. Students and parents are invited.

This informational meeting/kickoff starts promptly at 10AM.

10-11:30 A.M.:

Science Olympiad overview, event explanations, schedule review and discussion.

12-1:00PM:

Following this meeting any parents interested in coaching an event are asked to stay from noon to 1 for a coaches' intro meeting.

Questions should be emailed to [Katherine.Martin@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Katherine.Martin@orlandoscience.org)



## **Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) 7th Grade Talent Search.**

Each year the 7th Grade Talent Search helps educators and families determine how advanced their students' abilities truly are and what level of educational challenge is appropriate. As part of their talent search enrollment, Duke TIP will register eligible seventh graders to take either the ACT (no Writing) or SAT (no Essay) as an above-level test. This allows students to have greater insight into their abilities and it gives them the opportunity to preview a college entrance exam. Duke TIP also provides students with other valuable benefits and enrichment resources designed specifically for academically talented youth.

Please see the talent search brochure or visit [www.tip.duke.edu/7gts](http://www.tip.duke.edu/7gts) for details. [We will have an informative parent meeting on Friday, August 26th.](#)

### **Duke TIP Parent Presentation (7th Grade)**

- When: Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:15 PM
- Where: Room# 131
- Contact Person/E-mail: Mr. Akyalcin: [akyalcin@orlandoscience.org](mailto:akyalcin@orlandoscience.org)

### **Qualifying**

To be eligible, students must:

- Be in seventh grade (or skipping seventh grade this year)
- Meet the test score requirement or use an educator recommendation

### **Test Score Requirements**

Students must meet **one** of the following requirements:

1. **Have a score at or above the 95th percentile** on any one accepted subtest or total battery/composite on an approved grade-level standardized achievement test, aptitude test, mental-ability test, or approved state criterion-referenced test.

- Students need qualify in only one of the accepted subtests or total battery/composite.
- Scores from either of the two most recent test administrations are accepted. For most seventh grade students, this represents scores from either the fifth or sixth grade.

2. **Score a minimum of 125** on the full scale or composite score of an approved IQ test that is no more than two years old.

3. **Provide an educator recommendation**

We understand that problems with state-mandated testing or testing eligibility criteria may cause some students to be excluded. We defer to the guidelines your school has developed to identify gifted students and welcome you, as a teacher or counselor, to provide an educator recommendation in order to include students you feel are qualified to participate.

- To indicate an educator recommendation on the invitation to notify students, write in 'educator recommendation' as the test name in the Qualifying Test Score section.
- If enrolling by paper enrollment form, the student will select 'Other' as the test name and then write in 'educator recommendation'.
- If enrolling online, the student will select 'educator recommendation' from the drop down list of qualifying test names. Students must be logged in to their online enrollment form to see the educator recommendation option.

Please see the brochure on the next two pages for more information.

# Club Schedule and Coaches

Day	Club	Coach
Monday/Wednesday/Friday	Advanced Band	Mr. Jenkins
Monday	AMC 10/12- (8th-12th)	Mr. Akyalcin
Thursday	Art Club	Ms. Killian
Friday	Badminton(MS)	Ms. Masuoka
Thursday	Basketball(6th-8th)	Ms. Zeratsky
Monday	Basketball(9th-12th)	Mr. Morgan
Tuesday	Battle of the Books	Ms. Leal
Thursday	Character Traits with Anime	Mrs. Nef
Thursday	Chess Club	Mr. Koc
Wednesday	Comic Book Club	Mr. Liesch
Monday/Wednesday	Competition Math Algebra 1(6th and 7th)	Mrs. Koc
Wednesday/Friday	Competition Math Algebra 2 (8th-9th Grade)	Mr. Moon
Wednesday	Competition Math Number Theory and Probability(6th Grade)	Mr. Akyalcin
Monday	Competitive Writing	Ms. Leal
Monday	Competition Math Pre-Algebra(6th)	Mr. Yakisma
Wednesday/Friday	Competition Math Pre-Calc and Calculus (9th-12th)	Mrs. Akyalcin
Friday	Drama Club	TBD
Tuesday	Duke TIP	Mr. Thomas
Thursday	Environmental Club	Mrs. Piontkowski
Wednesday	Film Club	Mr. Lakner
Friday	Fitness Club (HS Only)	Ms. Zeratsky
Wednesday	Flag Football(Grades 8th-12th)	Ms. Zeratsky
Thursday	History Fair Club(6th-8th)	Mr. Kriebel
Wednesday	History Fair Club(9th-12th)	Mr. Slason
Friday	International Club	Mrs. Bozzo
Friday	International Festival(Folk Dance)	Mrs. Dilek
Wednesday	Key Club	Mrs. Dunbar
Tuesday	Lab Assistants	Mr. Stampas
Wednesday	Martial Arts-Taekwondo Club	Parent
Friday	Math Counts AMC 8-Intermediate	Mr. Akyalcin
Friday	MathCounts/ AMC (6th-8th)	Mr. Thomas
Tuesday	MathCounts/ AMC (6th-8th)	Mr. Akyalcin
Thursday	Media Club (9th-12th Grade)	Mr. I
Monday	Model UN(6th-8th)	Ms. Dunbar
Thursday	Model UN(9th-12th)	Mr. Slason
Wednesday	Mu Alpha Theta Honor Society (9th-12th)	Mrs. Akyalcin
Monday/Tuesday	NHS(9th-12th)	Ms. Stevens

<b>Monday/Tuesday</b>	NJHS	Mrs. Frunker
<b>Monday</b>	Odyssey of the Mind-Middle School	Mr. Liesch
<b>Wednesday</b>	Oil Painting Club	Parent
<b>Wednesday</b>	Paper Marbling(Ebru) and Calligraphy	Mrs. Aksu
<b>Monday</b>	Poetry	Ms. Killian
<b>Wednesday</b>	Rho-Kappa Honors	Mrs.Gourdie
<b>Wednesday</b>	SAT Math Club	Mr. Yakisma
<b>Friday</b>	Science Olympiad	Mr. Ulgut
<b>Tuesday</b>	Scrabble	Mrs.Bozzo
<b>Tuesday</b>	Soccer Club	Mr. Morgan
<b>Thursday</b>	STEM Club	Mr. Stampas
<b>Friday</b>	Student Government Assocation	Mr. Kriebel
<b>Tuesday</b>	Volleyball Club	Mrs. Masuoka
<b>Thursday</b>	Women's History Club	Mrs. Gourdie
<b>Tuesday/Thursday</b>	World Language Speech Club	Mrs. Dilek
<b>Monday</b>	Yearbook	Mr. Lakner

# August Lunch Menu

## CHARTER HOT School Menu

1 August MENU Lunch Fresh Fruit, Red/Orange Vegetable, Dark Green Vegetable, Legume

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Assorted Cereal Cups, bars, and Bowls offer with cheese Stick (2 Grain)  100% Orange Juice (½ cup fruit) Applesauce Cup ( ½ cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Assorted Yogurt with Cinnamon Granola Pack (2 grain,)  100% Apple Juice (½ cup fruit) Diced Pear Cups (½ Cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Bagel with Cream Cheese (2 Grain)  100% Orange Juice ½ cup fruit) Banana (½ cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Assorted Cereal Cups, bars, and Bowls offer with toast (2 Grain)  100 % Apple Juice (½ cup fruit) Oranges (½ cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Assorted Pop-tarts with Cheese Stick (1 pack for ES and MS).  Assorted Pop-tarts(2pack HS) (2 Grain) Assorted Juice (½ cup fruit) Whole Assorted Apples (½ cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>
2	3	4	5	6
No School	No School	No School	No School	No School
9	10	11	12	13
No School	No School	No School	No School	No School
15	16	17	18	19
Breaded Chicken with Dinner Roll E 0064L <b>Shoe String Fries (1/2 c starch)</b> Cole Slaw (1/2c other) Pineapple Tidbits <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Bean Burrito Enchilada E 0185L Charro Pinto Beans (1/2 c legumes) <b>Corn 1/2 c Starch</b> <b>Mixed Fruit (ss) ( ½ fruit)</b> <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Homemade Cheese Pizza E 0131L Homemade Pepperoni Pizza E 0132L <i>Carrot Dippers (1/2 c red)</i> Stir Fry Vegetables (1/2 c other) Strawberry Applesauce (1/2 cup Fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Chicken nuggets with Mac and Cheese E 0043L Glazed Carrots(1/2 c Red) Broccoli ( ½c green) Banana (1/2 c fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Meatball Parmigiana Sub E 0071L Italian Blend Vegetables (3/4c Other) Apple Slices (1/2c fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>
22	23	24	25	26
Mac and Cheese with Garlic Toast E 0045L/D 0010 <i>Broccoli (1/2cGreen)</i> Steamed Carrots (1/2 red/Orange) Assorted Juice (1/2 Cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Soft Tacos offered with ½ cup Cilantro Rice Cuban Black Bean ½ legumes <b>Corn 1/2 c Starch</b> <b>Orange Wedges (1/2 c Fruit)</b> <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Cheeseburger/Hamburger E 0090L/E 0094L <b>Shoe String Fries (1/2 c starch)</b> Cole Slaw (1/2c other) Banana (1/2 cup fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Taco Salad with 2 oz Corn Chips <b>(Complete meal)</b> E 0202L Sliced Apples ( ½ fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>	Homemade Cheese Pizza Homemade Pepperoni Pizza Cauliflower (3/4 c other) Pears ss (1/2 c Fruit) <b>Choice of Milk</b>

HS MUST OFFER A TOTAL OF 1 FULL CUP OF VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

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