# ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS <br> 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!
OSS is winding down, so make sure you check the website and the newsletters for any updates and information. Page 2 offers up upeoming events while page 3 gives us a gilimpse of the past.

Oss' Theatre ©epartment will be putting on the dearly loved classie "The Wizard of Oz " play tonight. Follow the yellow brick road to page 5 for more information! You may purehase tickets at the front desk till they have sold out.

Oss International Aight has always been an exeeptional way to end the sehool year and this year is no different. For more information on this auspicious night, seroll down to pages 79 !

FC'AT is an important part of your child's education and pages 10-11 offers up some vital information. Just a reminder that are no more F'CAT saturday studies.

Make sure you take the time to thank your mother on Sunday for all she does.
sincerely,

> Necati Sahin, Principal Orlando scienee Middle/High

"True courage is in facing danger when you are afraid..." - L. Frank Baum, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

## OSS Upcoming Events

1. Drama Department production "Wizard of Oz" May $9^{\text {th }}$-OSS cafeteria-6:30 ${ }^{\text {r }}$
2. $12^{\text {th }}$ grade graduation - May $28^{\text {th }}-6 \mathrm{pm}$-Orlando Science Center
3. $8^{\text {th }}$ grade graduation-June $3^{\text {rd }}-5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$-Majestic Event Theatre

## 2013-2014 Report Card Dates

1st Quarter Progress Report Card 1st Quarter Report Card

2nd Quarter Progress Report Card 2nd Quarter Report Card

3rd Quarter Progress Report Card
3rd Quarter Report Card
4th Quarter Progress Report Card 4th Quarter Report Card

Tuesday, September 24, 2013
Tuesday, October 22, 2013

Friday, December 6, 2013
Tuesday, January 14, 2014

Tuesday, February 18, 2014
Tuesday, March 18, 2014

Tuesday, April 29, 2014
Tuesday, June 3, 2014
**Always check the OSS website/calendar for update. Make sure you check your emails**

Dear parents,
You must complete your additions volunteer application in ord 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 Weekin History

This Week in History, May 5 - May 11
May 05, 1961
The first American in space
May 06, 1994
English Channel tunnel opens
May 07, 1994
The Scream recovered
May 08, 1945
V-E Day is celebrated in America and Britain
May 09, 1950
C. Ron-Hubbard publishes Dianeties

May 10, 1869
Transcontinental railroad completed
May 11, 1934
Dust storm sweeps from Great Plains across East states

## OSS Connect Information

Please remind your students that they can access Onlin Resources through their OSS Connect page. Below is a snapshot of the student page. Please encourage them these online resources.


> GRADUATION DATES



Your Mother Is Always With You...
Your mother is always with you...
She's the whisper of the leaves as you walk down the street.

She's the smell of bleach in your freshly laundered socks.
She's the cool hand on your brow when you're not well.
Your mother lives inside your laughter.
She's crystallized in every tear drop.
She's the place you came from, your first home...
She's the map you follow with every step that you take.

She's your first love and your first heart break... and nothing on earth can separate you. Not time, Not space...

Not even death...
will ever separate you from your mother... You carry her inside of you...


## OSS International Night Information Form

OSS International Night will be hosted on Wednesday, May $21^{\text {nd }}$ from $5-7 \mathrm{pm}$. Our school will be opened up to all families of OSS and OSES to showcase dozens of countries in various teachers' classrooms. Experience art, history, music, film and food from all over the world!

For further information and questions, please contact Mr. Parrella at parrella@orlandoscience.org

## How Can I Help Out?

The more input into this project, the better experience we will all have! Our teachers are openly welcoming any parents or students that wish to help with our countries for International Night. To volunteer, please have a look at the countries represented and contact that teacher/sponsor on how to get more involved! We hope to hear from you!

## Are These the Only Countries Represented?

Not at all! More countries are being added gradually as parents volunteer to sponsor them. We will be updating the country list on our world map in the hallway near room 131. If you wish to sponsor a country, we have a limited amount of open classrooms for you and a group to set up. We are looking forward to increasing our country population this year!

## Country Info and Sponsors

| Country | Sponsor | Room |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Australia | Ms. Kish | P168 |
| Bosnia | Mr. Duman | 139 |
| Canada | Ms. Chardavoyne | P170 |
| China | Mr. \& Mrs. Akyalcin | 135 |
| Cuba | Ms. Krause | 147 |
| Djibouti | Ms. Balci | 144 |
| Egypt |  | 121 |


| France | Ms. Addam | P160 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Germany | Mr. Kriebel | 136 |
| Georgia | Mr. Gajievi | 140 |
| Greece | Ms. Leiter | Gym |
| India | Ms. Trujillo | P171 |
| Ireland | Ms. Marcucci/Branly | 128 |
| Mali | Ms. Bolat | 131 |
| Pakistan | Ms. White | P161 |
| Peru | Ms. Rourke | P165 |
| Polynesian Islands | Ms. Lugo | 145 |
| Puerto Rico | Ms. Frunker | 148 |
| Russia | Ms. Killian | 150 |
| Spain | Mr. Schwartz | 129 |
| Syria, Jordan \& Palestine Mr. Parrella | 142 |  |
| Turkey | Mnited Kingdom | Mr |



## ORLANDO SCIENCE

Dear Parents/ Guardians,
The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will take the following computer-based assessment(s):

- Grade 6 FCAT 2.0 Mathematics
- Grade 6/Grade 7/Grade 8/Grade 9/ Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading
- FCAT 2.0 Reading Retake
and the following paper-based assessment(s):
- Grade 7/Grade 8/ FCAT 2.0 Mathematics
- Grade 8 FCAT2.0 Science

Please find your student's 2013-2014 Type of Assessment and Dates below

| Assessment Date | Gr. Level | Assessment Name | Type of Assessment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monday, April 14thTuesday April 15th | 9-11 | FCAT 2.0 Reading Retakes | Computer Based |
| Monday, April 14th | 7-8 | FCAT Math | Paper Based |
| Thursday, April 17th | 8 | FCAT Science | Paper Based |
| Monday, April 21st through Thursday, April 24th | 6 | FCAT Reading | Computer Based |
| Wednesday, April 23rd through Friday, April 25th | 7 | FCAT Reading | Computer Based |
| Thursday, April 24th Tuesday, April 29th | 9 | FCAT Reading | Computer Based |
| Wednesday, April 30thThursday, May 1st | 8 | FCAT Reading | Computer Based |
| Friday, May 2ndTuesday, May 6th | 6 | FCAT Math | Computer Based |
| Tuesday, May 6th through Thursday May 8th | 7 | EOC Civics | Computer Based |
| Friday, May 9th | 10 | EOC US History | Computer Based |
| Monday, May 12th | 8 | EOC Biology | Computer Based |
| Tuesday, May 13th through Friday, May 16th | $6-7-8-9-$ <br> Retakes | EOC Algebra-I | Computer Based |
| Monday, May 19th Tuesday May20th | 7-8-10 | EOC Geometry | Computer Based |

Your student's test(s) are scheduled for Monday, April 14th through Tuesday, May 7th and your student will have an opportunity to participate in a computer-based practice test to become familiar with the software, item types, and online tools he or she will encounter and use during testing.

If you or your student would like to review the CBT practice test at home, you can download instructions and a practice test (called an "ePAT") at www.FLAssessments.com/ePAT. Your student may practice as often as necessary prior to testing. You may also view Student Tutorials at www.FLAssessments.com/StudentTutorials.
Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

- Electronic Devices—If your student is found with ANY electronic devices, including but not limited to cell phones and smartphones, at any time during testing, including breaks (e.g., restroom), his or her test will be
- invalidated, which means it will not be scored. The best practice is for students to leave devices at home or in their lockers on the day of testing.
- Testing Rules Acknowledgment-All FCAT/FCAT 2.0 tests include a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads, "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators will read the rules to students, and students must acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by clicking a box or circle next to the statement.
- Discussing Test Content after Testing - The last portion of the testing rules read to students before they affirm the acknowledgment states, "After the test, you may not discuss the test items with anyone. This includes any type of electronic communication, such as texting, emailing, or posting online, for example, on websites like Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram." If students are found sharing information about test items, even without the intent to cheat, their tests will be invalidated.
- Test Invalidations-Students are responsible for working on their own during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. The FDOE employs a test security company, Caveon Test Security, to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns. Student results within a school that are found to have extremely similar answer patterns will be invalidated.
- Leaving Campus-If your student leaves campus before completing a test session (for lunch, an appointment, or illness, etc.), he or she WILL NOT be allowed to complete the test session. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please remember not to schedule appointments on testing days.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Mr. Yalcin at yalcin@orlandoscience.org. For more information about the statewide assessment program, visit the FDOE website at http://fcat.fldoe.org/. Thank you for supporting your student as he or she prepares for testing.

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## Charter School Hot Lunch May - June 2014



| 25 | Memori al <br> Holiday Break | 27 <br> Fish <br> Stick <br> S <br> WG Dinner Roll <br> Sweet Potato <br> Crinkles Vegetarian <br> Reans | 28 Meatballs with $\quad$ Rotini Pasta and | Mac \& Beef Casserole WG Garlic Breadstick Corn Green Beans | 30 <br> Turkey \& American <br> on <br> WG Bun <br> Garden <br> Salad Peas <br> \& Carots | K-8 - Offer menu as is <br> $9-12^{\text {th }}$ Grades <br> *5/27-2 Dinner Rolls <br> *5/28-1c. Pasta; <br> Breadstick or Dinner Roll <br> 5/29-2 Breadsticks <br> **Daily - 2 fruits |
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| 6/1 | 6/2 Chicken Sandwich <br> Carrots <br> BBQ <br> Beans <br> Strawberr y Cup | 6/3 Hotdog on WG <br> Bun Potato Crinkles <br> California Vegetables <br> Apple Slices | 6/4 Cheeseburger <br> Br <br> oc <br> oli <br> Sweet Potato <br> Waffles <br> Pineapple | No School | No School | K-8 - Offer menu as is <br> $9-12^{\text {th }}$ Grades <br> **Daily - 2 fruits |

## lunch

