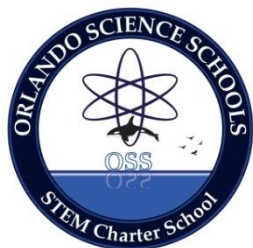


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ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS

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 Students and Parents,

I hope everyone had another great week at OSS!

I would like to remind Marbling Ebru Club that they will meet tomorrow for their first marbling activity with their family. The event will take place in the cafeteria from 11:30am-2:00pm in the cafeteria. We hope to see you there.

This week's club of the week is Ms. Tran's Scrabble club! Please turn to page five to see more information on one of OSS' largest clubs.

Our Veterans Day Dinner was a huge success and we can't wait to share a recap with you in next week's newsletter! I would like to thank everyone for all their hard work. Also don't forget that OSS will be participating in the 2015 Veterans Parade in Downtown Orlando, please do not miss this amazing event!

On page twelve you will find instructions on how to request your student's transcripts.

I would like to thank Mr. Stampas on his articles on pages nine through eleven! They are extremely informative and cover topics from the STEM event that OSS attended on Saturday to their diabetes research and even the Fossil Fair that OSS students attended.

I would also like to congratulate Mr. Moon on being the Teacher for the Month for October. Great job you deserve it!

Pages thirteen through fifteen also highlight some AMAZING accomplishments that our very own OSS students have been a part of. From trips to FSU, to the Future Physicists Induction Ceremony and even the Japan Festival, you will not want to miss out on these great accomplishments,

Sincerely,
Abdulaziz Yalcin
Principal
Orlando Science Schools
Middle/High School

*"It's when you are acting selflessly that you are at your bravest"-
Divergent*

OSS UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 7th 2015: Math Counts Competition
- November 11th 2015: Vetrans Day Appreciation Ceremony/ Dinner
- November 14th 2015: Vetrans Day Parade
- November 20th 2015: 2nd Quarter Progress Reports
- November 23rd - 27th 2015: Thanksgiving Break

2015-2016 Report Card Dates for Parents	
1st Quarter Progress Report Card	Wednesday, September 23, 2015
1st Quarter Report Card	Thursday, October 22, 2015
2nd Quarter Progress Report Card	Friday, November 20, 2015
2nd Quarter Report Card	Thursday, January 14, 2016
3rd Quarter Progress Report Card	Wednesday, February 17, 2016
3rd Quarter Report Card	Thursday, March 17, 2016
4th Quarter Progress Report Card	Wednesday, May 4, 2016
4th Quarter Report Card	Wednesday, June 8, 2016

2015-2016 Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) Days		
1st Quarter	Wednesday, October 7 th , 2015	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, October 8 th , 2015	4:30PM - 6:30PM
2nd Quarter	Wednesday, December 16 th , 2015	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, December 17 th , 2015	4:30PM - 6:30PM
3rd Quarter	Wednesday, March 2 nd , 2016	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, March 3 rd , 2016	4:30PM - 6:30PM
4th Quarter	Wednesday, May 11 th , 2016	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, May 12 th , 2016	4:30PM - 6:30PM

I will send out an email prior to each of these dates to book appointments.

This week in

HISTORY



DATE	EVENT(S)
November 9th 1989	The Berlin Wall is opened after dividing the city for 28 years.
November 10th 1969	The PBS' childrens program <i>Sesame Street</i> debuts.
November 11th 1966	The United States launches Gemini 12, a two-man orbiter, into orbit.
November 12th 1927	Canada is admitted to the League of Nations.
November 13th 1851	The London-to-Paris telegraph begins operation.

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

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

Orange County Public Schools: 2015-2016 School Calendar

DAY	DATE(S)	EVENT
Monday	September 7 th 2015	Labor Day holiday (Schools and District Offices are closed)
Thursday	October 22 nd 2015	End of 1 st Marking Period
Friday	October 23 rd 2015	Student Holiday/Teacher Professional Day/ Teacher Non-Work Day
Monday	October 26 th 2015	Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
Tuesday	October 27 th 2015	Begin 2 nd Marking Period
Monday- Friday	November 23 rd -27 th 2015	Thanksgiving break: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students are out all week • District Offices are open Nov. 23-25th • Teacher Non-Workdays: Nov 23rd-25th • Teacher Holiday: Nov 26th -27th
Two Weeks	December 21, 2015- January 1 st 2016	Winter Break (Schools are closed. District offices are closed)
Monday	January 4 th 2016	Students Return to School
Thursday	January 14 th 2016	End of 2 nd Marking Period
Friday	January 15 th 2016	Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Monday	January 18 th 2016	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (Schools and District offices are closed)
Tuesday	January 19 th 2016	Begin 2 nd Semested/3 rd Marking Period
Monday	February 15 th 2016	Presidents Day holiday (schools and district offices are closed)
Thursday	March 17 th 2016	End of 3 rd Marking Period
Friday	March 18 th 2016	Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Monday -Friday	March 21 st -25 th	Spring Break (Schools are closed. District offices are closed)
Monday	March 28 th	Begin 4 th Marking Period
Monday	May 30 th	Memorial Day holiday (Schools and District offices are closed)
Wednesday	June 8 th 2016	End of 4 th Marking Period/ Last day of school for students
Thursday-Friday	June 9 th -10 th	Post Planning for Teachers

Club of the Week : SCRABBLE CLUB



Scrabble club at OSS is open to all grade levels. Scrabble is a mentally stimulating game that builds a player's vocabulary base. Although it is very simple to learn, it takes a lifetime to master. Various strategies and techniques are necessary for a player to be successful at a competitive level, or you could just brag to your friend how much better you are than them.

2015-16 Orlando Science Schools Assessment Calendar

Florida Standards Assessments (FSA)

English Language Arts and Mathematics - Required by State

Dates	Assessment	Grade Level
February 29 - March 11, 2016	FSA English Language Arts - Writing Component	6 - 10
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FSA English Language Arts - Reading	6 - 10
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FSA Mathematics	6 - 8

End-of-Course Assessments - Required by State

Dates	Course
April 18 - May 13, 2016	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2

Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) Assessments

End-of-Course Assessments - Required by State

Dates	Course
April 18 - May 20 2016	Biology 1, Civics, US History-High School

Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test FCAT 2.0 - Required by State

Dates	Assessment	Grade Level
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FCAT 2.0 Science	8

AP College Board Exam Dates

Dates	Course
May 2, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	Chemistry (Morning); Psychology (Afternoon)
May 3, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	Computer Science A (Morning); and Physics 1: Algebra - Based (Afternoon)
May 4, 2016 - Morning	English Literature and Composition
May 5, 2016 - Morning	Calculus AB (Morning); and Calculus BC (Morning)
May 6, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	United States History (Morning); European History (Afternoon)
May 9, 2016 - Morning	Biology
May 10, 2016 - Morning	United States Government and Politics
May 11, 2016 - Morning	English Language and Composition
May 12, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	World History (Morning); Statistics (Afternoon)

Common Final Exams - Required by Orange County Public Schools

Common Final Exams will be given in courses that do not have a state or other designated end-of-course exam.

Dates	Course
January 6 - 12, 2016	Semester 1 Exams (Courses that are only one semester)
May 31 - June 6, 2016	Secondary End of Year Exams

PSAT	Grade	Status	Test Date	Fee	Deadline to Register
PSAT 8/9	8th-9th	Optional	Oct - 28	\$10	9/1/2015
PSAT 10	10th	Optional	Feb - 24	\$15	12/1/2015
PSAT/NMSQT	10th-11th	Required	Oct - 14	\$0	N/A

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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 last week 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>



PIZZA DAY

Every Thursday throughout the year OSS will be offering students the option to purchase pizza. They may purchase a slice for \$2.00 or make it a combo for \$5.00.

Character Word of Month

Caring

"Caring is... Giving thanks when it is deserved. Helping to solve a problem, rather than just ignoring it. Being aware of others' achievements and celebrating their success. "

"Never believe that a few **caring** people can't change the world. For, indeed, that's all who ever have." -Margaret Mead



MARBLING (EBRU) CLUB PRESENTS:

Just a reminder to the Marbling (Ebru) Club

We will meet with our parents this
Saturday, November 14th 2015
to create our own unique Ebru paintings

Time: 11:30am-2:00pm

Place: Orlando Science Schools Cafeteria



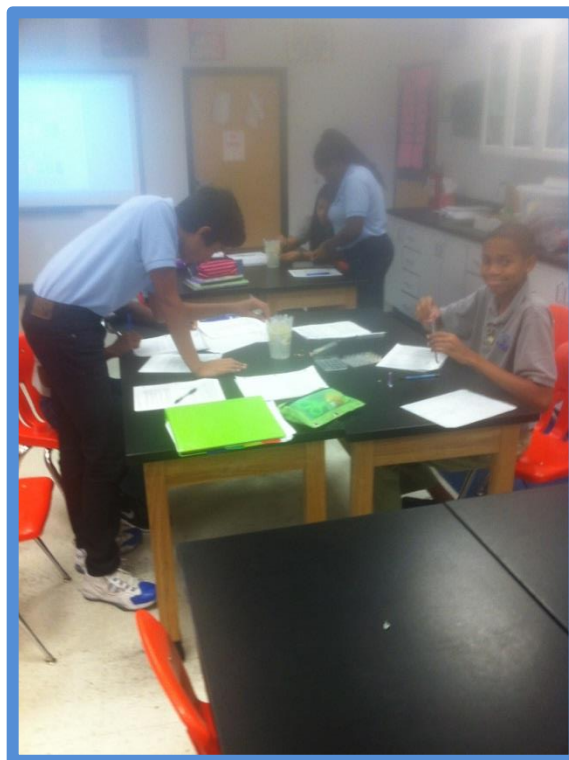
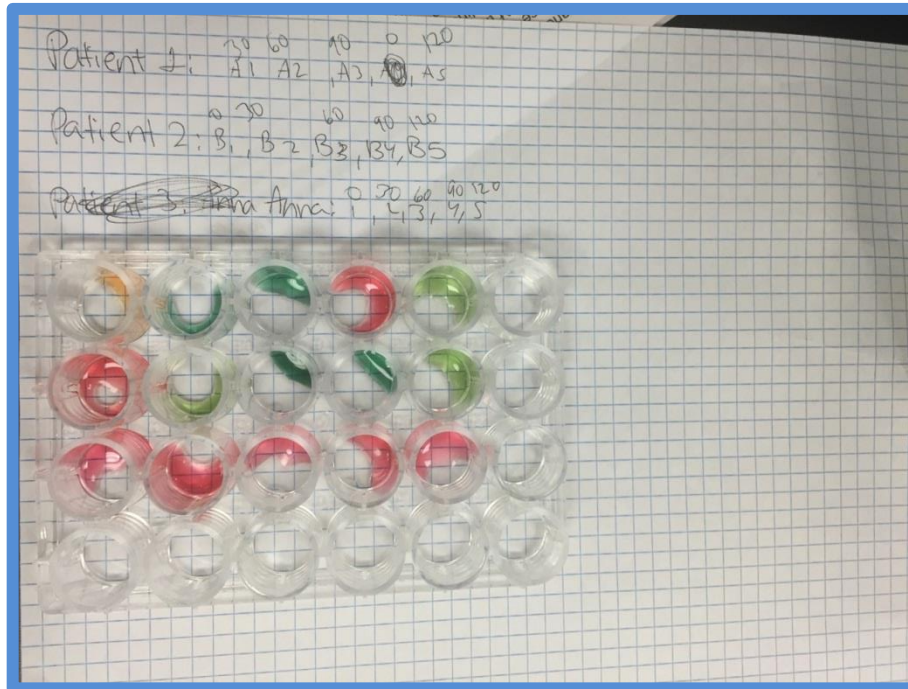
District 5 Stem Exploration

Students this past weekend helped their community by engaging kids around the neighborhood in learning about S.T.E.M. (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics). They performed demonstrations helping foster scientific careers in the young minds.



PLTW Diabetes

The biomedical program is entering their second unit. Now that they are completed their forensic and initial autopsy reports they are moving onto the medical history of Anna Garcia. They are testing their patient for diabetes and analyzing their blood serum for diabetes. These future doctors are on track towards a healthier future.



Fossil Fair

Students this past weekend engaged in a fossil fair. They acted as paleontologist excavating fossils, identifying the bones that they discovered and were able to take them home. They are practicing for their Science Olympiad competition where they are on track for taking 1st place again!





STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS HOW TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS

Family Connection by Naviance

This is a basic instruction guide for how to request transcripts for college/scholarships/NCAA through Family Connection. Please note that this is the **ONLY** way that you can request transcripts for this school year. If you have any questions please contact the OSS College Center at room 116 IMMEDIATELY! Thanks!

Requesting Transcripts for College Applications

1. Login to your Naviance / Family Connection account. It is the same username and password with your OSS Connect account. (www.naviance.com)
2. Go to the "colleges" tab.
3. Click on "colleges I'm applying to" underneath "my colleges" heading. Then click on "add colleges to this list."
4. Select the school from the "lookup" list.
5. Select the type – Regular Decision, Early Action, Early Decision, Rolling
 - You must select the CORRECT type. If you are unsure, please read your application documents and/or ask Mr. I!
6. If you are requesting a transcript, make sure you check the "request" box under the "Transcript" heading then select "Add Colleges."
7. Click "Add Colleges."
8. Come in to OSS College Center the next school day to confirm your requests with Mr. I

Requesting Transcripts for Scholarships, Athletics, NCAA or For Your Review

1. Go to the "colleges" tab.
2. Go to "resources" on the left side and select "transcripts".
3. Select "Request transcripts for scholarships or athletics."
4. Fill in information as needed (Recipient, Address, Due Date, etc.).
5. Click "Add Transcript Requests."
6. Come in to OSS College Center the next school day to confirm your requests with Mr. I

Japan Festival 2015

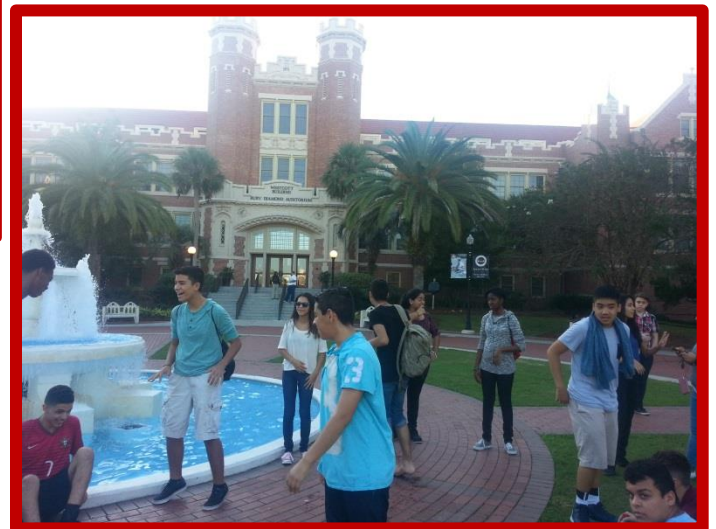
Orlando Science participated in the "Japan Festival 2015" last weekend with an impressive booth run by the students. The event attracted many participants from all over Orlando. Among many booths, Orlando Science booth was one of the most attractive. The unpoppable balloon, making an instant cloud, color changing flower and fortune teller fish were some of the best to see at our booth. Thanks to our students Gina, Hanna and Mylena the event was a huge success and we are looking forward for the next year.



Orlando Science Freshman and Sophomore Students visited the FSU

One of the nation's elite research universities, Florida State University — with the Carnegie Foundation's highest designation, Doctoral/Research University-Extensive — offers a distinctive academic environment built on its cherished values and unique heritage, welcoming campus on the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida, championship athletics, and prime location in the heart of the state capital.

Combining traditional strength in the arts and humanities with recognized leadership in the sciences, Florida State University provides unmatched opportunities for students and faculty through challenging academics, cultural discovery and community interaction. Orlando Science students had a fabulous experience of the FSU past Friday. Please see the pictures below!



Future Physicists of Florida are from Orlando Science Schools

Orlando Science students and teachers are being prepared for leadership in a technological society. Physics, the study of the most basic laws of nature, tells us how and why everything works, from the biggest (the universe) to the smallest (the quarks found inside protons and neutrons). For students, physics is the high school science subject that provides the gateway to careers in all modern sciences and engineering. At the college level, physics provides rigorous preparation for an astonishing variety of careers.*

Orlando Science is striving to provide the best possible changes to increase our students exposure to science. As an extension of these efforts, we participated the Future Physicists of Florida Induction Ceremony at FSU. In addition to attending the ceremony, we had a chance to tour the Planetarium, FSU Nuclear Physics Labs and Off-grid Zero Emissions House. Below is the link for more information and pictures.

<https://futurephysicistsflorida.wordpress.com/about/>



LUNCH MENU

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Assorted Cereals w/ Toast (2G) Apple Slices (1/2 fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Banana Bread Slice (2G) Orange Juice (1/2 fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Pop-Tarts (2)(2G) Assorted Whole Apples (1/2 fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Bagel with Cream Cheese (2G) Apple Juice (1/2 fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Mini Cini (2G) Raisins(1/2 fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>
2	3	4	5	6
Breaded Chicken sandwich Shoestring Fries Diced Peaches Milk	Hard Tacos Charro Pinto Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Broccoli Red Apples Milk	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Chunks Pineapple Tidbits Milk	All Beef Hotdog Mixed Vegetables Assorted Apples Milk
9	10	11	12	13
Tangerine Chicken with Jasmin Rice Stir Fry Vegetables Red Apples Milk	Chicken Nuggets With 1g Biscuit Cuban Style Black Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	Baked Ziti with Meatballs and Garlic Toast Steamed Carrots Sliced Apples Milk	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Broccoli Grapes Milk	Cheese/ Hamburger (2G,2M) Hashbrown Patty Diced Peaches Milk
16	17	18	19	20
Breaded Chicken Sandwich (3G,2M) Shoestring Fries Cool ribs Milk	Hard Tacos Charro Pinto Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	Ravioli with Garlic Bread Broccoli Cool Rips Milk	Roasted Turkey with Gravy Served with Stuffing Sweet potato Soufflé (½ red) Green Beans Baked Cinnamon Apples (½ fruit) Milk	Mac and Cheese Mixed Vegetables Assorted Juice Milk
23	24	25	26	27
THANKSGIVING	Thanksgiving	THANKSGIVING	THANKSGIVING	THANKSGIVING
30	1	2	3	4
Breaded Chicken sandwich Diced Peaches (½ fruit) Cool ribs Milk	Hard Tacos Charro Pinto Beans Mixed Fruit Cup Milk	Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Broccoli Red Apples Milk	Hamburger/Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Chunks Grapes Milk	All Beef Hotdog Mixed Vegetables Assorted Apples Milk