



# 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,

Earth Day, on April 22, will be celebrated here at OSS by adopting an animal listed as endangered. Donations will be used to cast votes! For more information on how you can help please see page 3!

OSS will be participating in College Park's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Relay for Life event. To help raise money for the school team the clubs will be sponsoring a dress down day. Support the team and buy a dress down day starting Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> for \$2.00. For more information on how to take part in this great cause please see page 4.

Thursday April 26<sup>th</sup> is "Take Your Sons and Daughters to Work" Day! If your student will be out for this day, please make sure to send Ms. Beece a note so the absence will be excused.

Parents please make sure to check out the Spring 2012 EOC Test sessions and dates.

Don't forget to check the Science Olympiad sponsorship opportunities on page 6. They have worked so hard to get to Nationals, let's make sure they have what they need to succeed!

I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,  
Necati Sahin

What sculpture is to a block of marble  
education is to the human soul.  
Joseph Addison

## OSS Upcoming Events

1. Earth Day, April 22, 2012
2. Take Your Sons and Daughters to Work Day, Thursday, April 26th ( Make sure you send Ms. Becc a note )
3. The eligible 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be attending Grad Night on May 11. Permission slips and money were due before Spring Break. We are looking forward to a fun time at Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure!

**Always check the OSS website and PVO tab for all events!!!!!!!**

### Important Events and Dates in Science Olympiad

- 1- National Science Olympiad --- May 18-19, UCF



## **SPRING 2012 EOC TESTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Test Sessions</b>
4.30.2012 - Monday	Geometry	2 test sessions
5.1.2012 - Tuesday	Geometry	2 test sessions
5.2.2012 - Wednesday	Biology	2 test sessions
5.3.2012 - Thursday	Geometry/Biology	Make-ups
5.4.2012 - Friday	Geometry/Biology	Make-ups
5.7.2012 - Monday	Algebra I	2 test sessions
5.8.2012 - Tuesday	Algebra I	2 test sessions
5.9.2012 - Wednesday	Algebra I	1 test session/Make-ups
5.10.2012 - Thursday	Algebra I	Make-ups
5.11.2012 - Friday	AP US History	AP Exam

## This Week in History

### 1970—Apollo 13 safely lands in the Pacific Ocean

Apollo 13 was the seventh manned mission in the American Apollo space program and the third intended to land on the Moon. The craft was launched on April 11, 1970, at 13:13 CST from the Kennedy Space Center, Florida, but the lunar landing was aborted after an oxygen tank exploded two days later, crippling the service module upon which the Command Module depended. Despite great hardship caused by limited power, loss of cabin heat, shortage of potable water, and the critical need to jury-rig the carbon dioxide removal system, the crew returned safely to Earth on April 17.

The flight was commanded by James A. Lovell with John L. "Jack" Swigert as Command Module pilot and Fred W. Haise as Lunar Module pilot. Swigert was a late replacement for the original CM pilot Ken Mattingly, who was grounded by the flight surgeon after exposure to German measles.



## Help an Endangered Species this Earth Day!

The OSS Environmental Club will be collecting donations to adopt at least one endangered animal. The animal(s) we adopt will be decided by a vote. Each coin counts for one vote! The choices of animals are: Penguin, Giant Panda, Sea Turtle, Bald Eagle and Manatee. If you would like to donate any funds, please see Mrs. Wilcox by Friday, May 4. No donation is too small! Also, if you have a coin counting machine, the Environmental Club would greatly appreciate it!

Happy Earth Day!

The American Cancer Society

# RELAY FOR LIFE®

## *Dress-down Day*

Make a fashion statement  
**donate to the team**  
and dress casual on:  
**Friday April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Orlando Science Schools National Honor Societies and Service Learning Club are participating in College Park's 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Relay or Life event. To help raise money for the school team the clubs will be sponsoring a dress down day. Help support our team and buy a dress down day!

**Sales start Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> for \$2.00**

Make a donation to remember or honor a loved one. All proceeds go directly to the American Cancer Society to help fund cancer research, patient programs and services, education, and advocacy.

Relay gives us an opportunity to honor cancer survivors and to remember those who have lost their fight with the disease.

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is an overnight event that raises funds and awareness to fight cancer. Dedicated teams of friends, families, and coworkers commit to keeping at least one member walking around a track or path...because cancer never sleeps.



Relay For Life Dress-down Day Sticker

Be sure to wear Purple and your relay sticker when you dress down!

Questions?  
Contact Ms. Jensen  
or Mr. Yalcin

Join us in the  
**fight**  
against  
**cancer.**

For more information on volunteering, becoming a sponsor, or forming a team for the American Cancer Society Relay For Life, call **1.800.ACS.2345** or log onto [relayforlife.org](http://relayforlife.org)





## ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Our Science Olympiad Team won 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the recent state competition.

This means that we are going to be competing at the National Science Olympiad on May 18<sup>th</sup>. With about one month to prepare, we are seeking donations to support our teams' efforts to win a National Championship. Our students and coaches are working very hard. Let's do our part to help.

### What is Science Olympiad?

Science Olympiad competitions are like academic track meets, consisting of a series of 23 team events in each division. Each year, a portion of the events are rotated to reflect the ever-changing nature of genetics, earth science, chemistry, anatomy, physics, geology, mechanical engineering and technology. By combining events from all disciplines, Science Olympiad encourages a wide cross-section of students to get involved. Emphasis is placed on active, hands-on group participation. Through Science Olympiad, students, teachers, parents, principals and business leaders bond together and work toward a shared goal. To find out more about Science Olympiad, please visit their website at [www.soinc.org](http://www.soinc.org)

The following is a detailed list of the areas that are in need of financial donations:

- Team Shirts (\$450.00)
- Team Lunch (\$450.00)
- Team Gift Exchange (\$500.00)
- Saturday Team Dinner (\$600.00)
- Building Event Supplies (\$750.00)
- Science Olympiad Study Books (\$1,000.00)
- Hotel Rooms (5 @ \$150 each)
- Friday Competitor Dinner (32 @ \$17.50 each)
- Kennedy Space Center Tickets (17 @ \$27.00 each)
- Team Costumes for Opening Ceremony and Parade (\$500.00)

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose an event you'd like to sponsor. All donations are tax deductible. Cash and checks are accepted. Checks can be made out to OSS. Please send in by May 6<sup>th</sup>. As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

Deadline: 4/27/12

Entries must be submitted directly to Mr. Singleton

Prizes include dress down days, gift certificates, and medals

**6th  
Grade**

## Orlando Science Schools Sixth Grade Art Contest



# Clean, Cooperative, and Courteous Art Contest

**Paint, Clay, Charcoal, Mixed Media, and Photography**

### **ART CONTEST RULES:**

Artwork must be submitted in one of the following subcategories:

- o Drawing (on drawing paper, no notebook/ construction paper)
- o Painting o Mixed Media
- o Photography o Clay

Students may only submit one (1) piece of artwork (in any medium)

Each submission must include a completed Submission Form. Artwork must be original, unpublished, and done by one person.

Submissions must be received no later than **April 27, 2012 (Friday)**

### **General guidelines for Photography submissions:**

- o Photography work – includes color and black & white: approximately 8.5" by 11" photo paper.
- o Please do NOT frame and do NOT mount photography submissions.

- Entries cannot have the student's name on them
- Projects on standard notebook paper/ construction paper will not be accepted
- Entries will be judged by staff and the top ten entries will be displayed at the school and on school Facebook site.

