



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,

As the first week of school back in session after the winter break ends, it was so good to see so many rested happy faces of students, parents and staff alike.

OSS starts in full speed this month on the road to success with Saturday studies beginning this Saturday along with our Math team heading to Tampa for their first competition of the year!

Don't forget to bring in your can tabs to help out the Ronald McDonald House and some needy families.

Yearbooks are for sale, so pre-order now for a lifetime of memories to relive over and over!

2nd reports cards will be sent home on January 14th and then we will start 3rd Quarter with some students beginning new and exciting classes.

OSS International Night will be coming in the Spring semester with new foods to try, interesting facts to learn and an opportunity to learn more about so many different cultures here at OSS. Stay tuned for more details.

Sincerely,

Necati Sahin, OSS Principal

"It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop." ~ Confucius

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OSS Upcoming Events

1. Regional Science Olympiad-Lake Nona High School, January 18th
2. No School-Friday and Monday, January 17th and 20th

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>



PARTICIPATE. INVESTIGATE. EDUCATE.



OSS Mathletes continue their success!

OSS is proud to announce the results of the AMC - 8 Nation Wide Mathematics Test. Our students achieved fantastic results. Alexandria Bias was our overall school winner with a score of 23 finishing in the top **1%** nationwide. Wally Vargas and Thomas Shea placed 2nd, Annabel Zinn, 4th, all finishing in the top **5%** nationwide. Also, 6th graders Esha Ranade and Sanjana Konda received an achievement roll award with their high scores.

OSS was also recognized as an Honor Roll school in Florida with our team receiving 67 points and placing in the top 8 schools in the State in Florida.

Congratulations to you all, and to all the mathletes that took the test!

About the AMC 8

The AMC 8 is a 25 question, 40 minute multiple choice examination for middle school mathematics designed to promote the development and enhancement of problem solving skills. A special purpose of the AMC 8 is to demonstrate the broad range of topics available for junior high school mathematics curriculum. Additional functions of the AMC 8 are to promote excitement, enthusiasm and positive attitudes towards mathematics and to stimulate interest in continuing the study of mathematics beyond the minimum required for high school graduation.

You may see more information at: <http://www.maa.org/math-competitions/amc-8#sthash.FYlb8Kzv.dpuf>

This Week in History

Jan 7, 1789: First President Elected

On this day in 1789, America's first presidential election is held. Voters cast ballots to choose state electors; only white men who owned property were allowed to vote. As expected, George Washington won the election and was sworn into office on April 30, 1789.

As it did in 1789, the United States still uses the Electoral College system, established by the U.S. Constitution, which today gives all American citizens over the age of 18 the right to vote for electors, who in turn vote for the president. The president and vice president are the only elected federal officials chosen by the Electoral College instead of by direct popular vote.

Jan 9, 1493: Columbus mistakes manatees for mermaids

On this day in 1493, Italian explorer Christopher Columbus, sailing near the Dominican Republic, sees three "mermaids"--in reality manatees--and describes them as "not half as beautiful as they are painted." Six months earlier, Columbus (1451-1506) set off from Spain across the Atlantic Ocean with the Nina, Pinta and Santa Maria, hoping to find a western trade route to Asia. Instead, his voyage, the first of four he would make, led him to the Americas, or "New World."

Jan 11, 1908: Theodore Roosevelt makes Grand Canyon a national monument

On January 11, 1908, U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt declares the massive Grand Canyon in northwestern Arizona a national monument.

Though Native Americans lived in the area as early as the 13th century, the first European sighting of the canyon wasn't until 1540, by members of an expedition headed by the Spanish explorer Francisco Vasquez de Coronado. Because of its remote and inaccessible location, several centuries passed before North American settlers really explored the canyon. In 1869, geologist John Wesley Powell led a group of 10 men in the first difficult journey down the rapids of the Colorado River and along the length of the 277-mile gorge in four rowboats.

This week in
HISTORY



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

Attention Parents,

This years' yearbook is now on sale! If your child would like to purchase a yearbook, please send in \$30 to give to their homeroom teacher!

F.A.Q.

“When will we receive the book?”

The answer is “Before the end of the school year!”

I can't wait to show you the yearbook and have your child actually enjoy the perks of having their yearbook early enough to trade yearbooks for end of the year messages. Have a wonderful holiday season!! 😊



The 2014 OSS International Night



May 21st, 2014

5pm – 7pm

Music! Food! Art!
Special Guests!
Performances!

Please contact Mr. Parrella for more information
at Parrella@orlandoscience.org



CHARTER SCHOOL MEALS

January 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Breakfast Selections	Breakfast Breaks Cinnamon Toast Crunch Goldfish Grahams 100% Apple Juice Assorted Milk	Team Cheerios Bar Cherry Yogurt Cup Peach Cup Assorted Milk	Blueberry Mini Loaf Cheese Stick Mixed Fruit Cup Assorted Milk	Pillsbury Frudel Banana Assorted Milk	Banana Bread Strawberry Cup Assorted Milk	Breakfast Selections
5	6 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup California Blend Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	7 Beef or Turkey Burger on WG Bun Potato Smiles Vegetarian Beans Peach Cup Choice of Milk	8 Chicken Chili Brown Rice and Tortilla Chips Broccoli Lettuce Tomato Cup Tangerine Choice of Milk	9 Turkey Lasagna Rolls WG Garlic Breadsticks Glazed Carrots Italian Blend Vegetables Banana Choice of Milk	10 Hummus Dipper Cool Pack Garden Salad Peas and Carrots Granny Smith Apple Choice of Milk	11
12	13 Teriyaki Chicken over Brown Rice Mixed Vegetables Broccoli Stir Fry Vegetables Cool Rips Choice of Milk	14 Fiesta and Beef Casserole Banana Mini Loaf Carrots Cole Slaw Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	15 Popcorn Chicken Bowl WG Dinner Roll Sweet Potato Waffles Orange Wedges Choice of Milk	16 Turkey and Gravy Over Brown Rice Veggie Dippers Red Beans Sliced Apples Choice of Milk	17 Student Holiday	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Holiday	21 Turkey Hot Dogs BBQ Baked Beans Sweet Potato Crinkles Applesauce Choice of Milk	22 Mini Cheese Ravioli over Marinara Sauce WG Breadsticks Steamed Carrots Popeye Salad Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	23 Sloppy Beef Nachos WG Tortilla Chips Broccoli Deli Rosters Potatoes Grapes Choice of Milk	24 Italian and Provolone on WG Bun Veggie Dippers Green Beans Tangerine Choice of Milk	25
26	27 Chicken Nuggets WG Dinner Roll Sweet Potato Waffles Vegetarian Beans Peach Cup Choice of Milk	28 Tangerine Chicken over Brown Rice Stir Fry Vegetable Spinach Mixed Fruit Cup Choice of Milk	29 Fish Stick and Macaroni and Cheese WG Dinner Roll Veggie Dippers Peas and Carrots Banana Choice of Milk	30 Seasoned Beef and Gravy over WG Penne Pasta Cauliflower Cooked Carrots Strawberries Fresh From Florida Choice of Milk	31 Turkey and American on WG Bun Garden Salad Crinkle Cut Potatoes Pear Choice of Milk	1

Lunch

\$1.80 elementary
\$2.50 middle/high

Breakfast
\$1.25 elementary and 6th grade only