



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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Dear Students & Parents,

Happy February!!!!

Please check out page 2 to read about our offers up a great incentive for attending Saturday Study sessions and our wonderful math students, and check out page 3 for upcoming and past events.

Apply yourself to pages 4 & 5 to learn more about how OSS/OSES has opened the online application for new incoming students, the reenrollment form for current students and has added some open house dates to help inform prospective parents about our school.

OSS' has some great fundraisers happening, check out pages 6 and 7 for more details!

Page 8 has yearbook information and also how to personalize them, so "memory"ize it while page 9 "gears" you up for some FTC news! For some exciting news about OSS' uniform company, check out page 10!

As OSS and OSES grows, we need help from our parents to make our outside area more conducive for our student activities. Please read page 11 for more information and check our yummy lunch menu on 12 while page 13 requests donations for our flag so we may honor our country and to read about our can tab collection to help those in need at the Ronald McDonald House.

Last but definitely not least, page 14 invites you all to book a home visit.

Keep checking OSS website for more information throughout the year for updates and events!! Also, please check your emails daily, Ms. Beece will try to send out important data as soon as she gets it.

We hope everyone has a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

Nzcati Sahin, OSS Principal

True education flowers at the point when delight falls in love with responsibility. ~ Philip Pullman

FCAT Saturday Studies Dress Down Incentive

If students show up 3 weeks in a row and /or three times in a month to the FCAT Saturday Studies, they will receive a school dress down day!!!

February 26th is the first Saturday Studies Dress down day of February.
The eligible students list will be posted on February 25th in the hallways.



The eligibility requirements are below:

- Attend three times in a month or three weeks in a row
- Less than 3 conduct points during Saturdays Studies
- No Office Referral or Intervention Referral during the Saturday Studies

OSS Mathletes News

The OSS Mathletes competed in the Florida Association of Mu Alpha Theta February regional competition at Sun Coast Community High School on February 2nd. After starting our day at 5:30am and driving for nearly 3 hours to reach the competition, Our Algebra 1 Team did an amazing job and received 3rd place. Our individual winners in Algebra 1 were Wally Vargas, taking 2nd place, Sydney Cornell, 6th, and Ryan Le, 10th. Our next competition will be on

February 16th. OSS Mathletes will split into two groups and compete in two separate competitions on the same day, MathCounts Chapter Round in Olympia High School and Florida Mu Alpha Theta February State wide invitational in Tampa Bay Tech High School.

Good luck to all OSS Mathletes for the upcoming contests!!!



OSS Upcoming Events

1. February 8th, 7th Award Ceremony 5:30-7pm in the cafeteria
2. February 11th, 8th -11th Award Ceremony 5:30-7pm in the cafeteria
3. February 12th, 8th grade high school presentation dinner 5:30pm cafeteria
4. February 15th – Reenrollment paper deadline (no exceptions)

****Always check the OSS website and Make sure you check your emails****

Science Olympiad Competition Dates

March 23rd State
May 17-18 National

Week In History

In 1775, Benjamin Franklin publishes An Imaginary Speech in defense of American courage.

Franklin's speech was intended to counter an unnamed officer's comments to Parliament that the British need not fear the colonial rebels, because "Americans are unequal to the People of this Country [Britain] in Devotion to Women, and in Courage, and worse than all, they are religious."

Franklin responded to the three-pronged critique with his usual wit and acuity. Noting that the colonial population had increased while the British population had declined, Franklin concluded that American men must therefore be more "effectually devoted to the Fair Sex" than their British brethren.

As for American courage, Franklin relayed a history of the Seven Years' War in which the colonial militia forever saved blundering British regulars from strategic error and cowardice. With poetic flare, Franklin declared, "Indiscriminate Accusations against the Absent are cowardly Calumnies." In truth, the colonial militias were notoriously undisciplined and ineffective at the beginning of the Seven Years' War. New Englanders, unused to taking orders and unfamiliar with the necessary elements of military life, brought illness upon themselves when they refused to build latrines and were sickened by their own sewage. During the American Revolution, Washington repeated many of the same complaints spoken by British officers when he attempted to organize American farmers into an effective army.

With regard to religion, Franklin overcame his own distaste for the devout and reminded his readers that it was zealous Puritans that had rid Britain of the despised King Charles I. Franklin surmised that his critic was a Stuart [i.e. Catholic] sympathizer, and therefore disliked American Protestants, "who inherit from those Ancestors, not only the same Religion, but the same Love of Liberty and Spirit."

STUDENT RE-ENROLLMENT AND THEIR SIBLING ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

January 14, 2013

Dear Parent(s),

We hope your child is having a wonderful learning experience at Orlando Science Schools. We are thriving and growing each year. We are hoping that your child will continue this journey with us throughout his/her elementary, middle school and high school years. We have limited space for K through 12th grade for the 2013-2014 school year.

RE-ENROLLMENT FOR CURRENT STUDENTS

Complete this form and return it to your child's homeroom teacher no later than Friday, February 15, 2013. No further action is required for re-enrollment for the 2013-2014 school year. If this form is not returned to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, February 15, 2013, your child may lose his/her spot at OSS for next school year.

- My child _____ will be attending OSS/OSES for the 2013-2014 school year and will be a rising _____ grader.
- My child _____ will NOT be attending OSS/OSES for the 2013-2014 school year.

PRE-ENROLLMENT FOR SIBLINGS ONLY

We would also like to extend a pre-enrollment offer for **siblings of current OSS/OSES students** that would like to attend OSS elementary, middle and/or high school in 2013-2014. **Please indicate this below as well as filling out an online application for the sibling at www.orlandoscience.org by Friday, February 15, 2013.** If this form is not returned to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, February 15, 2013 and an online application has not been completed for the sibling child, they may not be saved a place and may have to go through the lottery process with all other prospective applicants. There is no automatic enrollment of siblings. If the number of siblings exceeds the number of available seats, a special sibling lottery will be held.

- My child has a sibling _____ who will be a rising _____ grader. We have completed an online application for him/her.
- My child has a sibling _____ who will be a rising _____ grader. We have completed an online application for him/her.
- My child has a sibling _____ who will be a rising _____ grader. We have completed an online application for him/her.
- My child has a sibling _____ who will be a rising _____ grader. We have completed an online application for him/her.

_____/_____/_____/_____

Parent Name (printed) Signature Date Homeroom Teacher

Sincerely,
Necati Sahin, Principal for middle/high

Dear parents,

We would like to extend to you and your family an invitation to one of our Open House events to further educate you and your child on all the opportunities that you may find at Orlando Science Schools.

We will have a short presentation about what our school has to offer and also a time to ask any questions you may have about OSS.

In addition, you will have the chance to meet some of our amazing teachers and peruse their classrooms and curriculum.

Please take this opportunity to expand your knowledge about Orlando Science Schools and the future of your child.

Most Sincerely,

Necati Sahin, Principal

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Open House Dates:

Open House (K-12):	Feb 9 th	11:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Open House (K-12):	Feb 17 th	12:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Online Application Dates:

Online Application for 2013-2014 school year starts:	Jan 1 st 12:00 AM
Online Application for 2013-2014 school year ends:	Mar 1 st 11:59 PM
Lottery:	Mar 16 th 2:00 PM

Domino's



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Available at the Front Desk until February 12th

OSS Spirit Night at Buffalo Wild Wings!

On Tuesday night, February 19th, Orlando Science Schools is holding a spirit night at Buffalo Wild Wings on International Drive. Between the hours of 5 – 8pm, all parties that present an OSS Spirit Night Slip will have 20% of their pre-tax check going to OSS! This is great opportunity to generate funds for our school and a fun time out with friends and family!

Slips will be given out to all students during 6th hour of February 19th.

See you all there!



****Yearbooks are on Sale****



December 2012

Dear Parents of OSS,

It's that time of year again! Yearbooks are on sale for only \$30! It's time to capture those moments forever. The yearbook staff is working hard to create the best yearbook ever!

Sincerely,

The Yearbook Staff

Email: delaine.wood@orlandoscience.org for further information.

***Payment plans are available see Ms. Wood-Delaine.

Love Lines!

This year we are offering love lines. You can write a note to someone special in the yearbook, for just \$1 per 50 characters! Don't miss this amazing opportunity. Please fill the appropriate part of your yearbook form.

Sample love line:

I love you Steve. You are amazing. With love, Mom.

The above statement would cost just \$1 and it would be published in the yearbook!!! It makes a terrific surprise.

Yearbook Committee

OSS Participates in FTC Championship

FIRST Tech Challenge is part of the FIRST programs which also include Jr. LEGO League, LEGO League and FIRST Robotics Competition. FIRST is piloting a new FTC competition format in 5 regions including Florida. Teams in close proximity are grouped in Leagues. OSS FTC teams compete in the Tesla Robotics League, which is composed of Central Florida teams. FTC Team 5070 N.U.T.S. (Nerds United for Technological Superiority) and FTC Team 6379 Nerdvana participated in the Tesla Robotics League Championship on February 2nd, 2013.

Nerdvana won the Connect Award. The Connect Award is presented to the team that the judges feel is most connected with both their local and engineering communities. The best team is more than the sum of its parts, and recognizes that their schools and communities play an essential part to their success. The recipient of this award is recognized for helping the community understand FIRST Tech Challenge and the team itself. In addition, the team that wins this award is aggressively seeking engineers and exploring the opportunities available in the world of engineering, science and technology.

N.U.T.S. won the Rockwell Collins Innovate Award which celebrates a team that not only thinks outside the box, but also has the ingenuity and inventiveness to make their designs come to life. This award is given to the team the judges feel has the most Innovative and creative robot design solution to the game challenge. This award may address the design of the whole robot or just a sub-assembly attached to the robot. To be considered for this award the creative components can't just look good - they've got to work, at least most of the time. A team's engineering notebook must show the design of the component and the team's robot, and succinctly describe how the team arrived at that solution.

N.U.T.S. also won the Finalist Alliance Trophy for being the second team in the runner up alliance of the final championship matches. After all league championship are played, the top 24 teams in the state advance to the State Championship. N.U.T.S. was 24th in the state earning a spot at the FTC State Championship to be held at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Daytona) on Saturday, March 2, 2013. The event is open to the public, come and cheers N.U.T.S. as they compete for a spot in the FTC World Championship.



All Uniform Wear

Dear Orlando Science,

Great news! All uniform Wear has gone social! In keeping with our goal to provide you excellent service, we want to take this opportunity to let you know where you can find us online and join in our conversation. Our social sites will bring you relevant and informative news and, announcements about upcoming events, a first look at new products and services, as well as another channel of communication where you can ask any questions you may have related to our you dress code and or our products/services. We aim to be your “go to” resource for all you uniform needs

To help us be the very best, we welcome and encourage you to send us suggestions on what additional type of information you would be interested in receiving from us.

If there is a way we can make your experience better, we want to do it!

Instagram: AUW16 (this is where you will find free giveaways coupons and promotions we have going on)

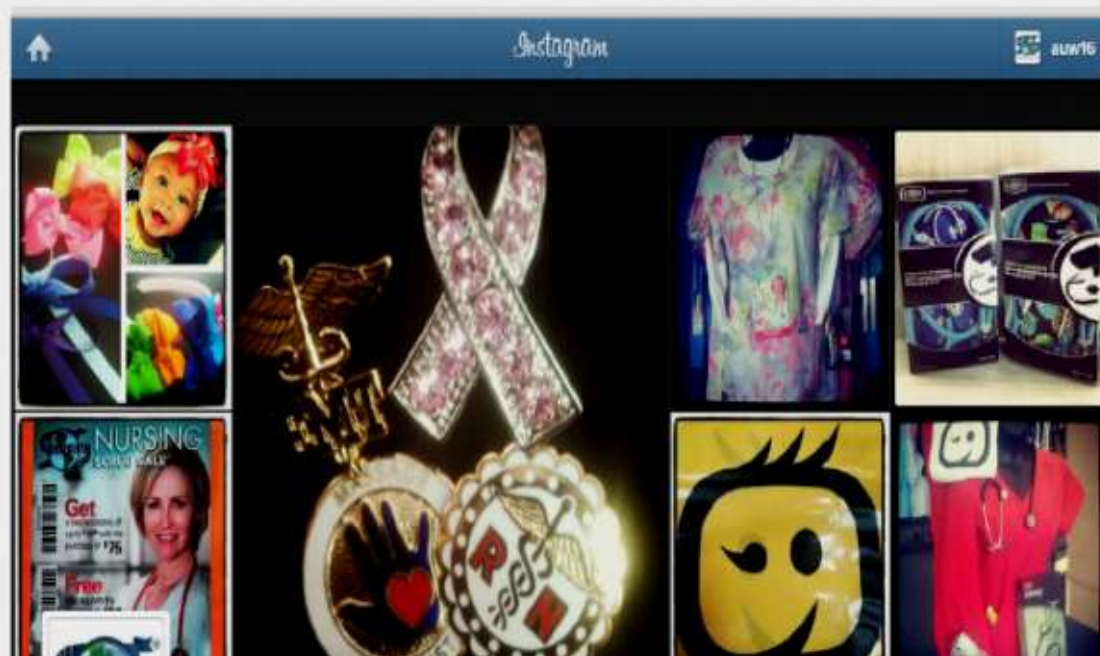
Facebook: All Uniform Wear

Twitter: alluniformwear

I also invite you to connect with me personally Thanks very much for your continued support of our business and we look forward to seeing you online!

Thanks,

Abelina Cepero



OSS and OSES Outdoor Area

Dear Parents,

OSS and OSES are working hard for our children's future and we need your help to make the outdoor play area as inspirational as the growing minds of our students.

We have a dream of children running on lush green grass, students enjoying lunch on a sunny day at picnic tables, laughter emitting from kids as they slide down slides and giggles while they play on a jungle gym.

Please help make this vision come true by donating to our cause. We are need of financial help with the project costing \$40,000.00. The progress is going very well in completing our outdoor space and we have received many wonderful donations from our parents.

Please take this flyer to your work and enlist your companies to take part in this goal of enriching our playground facility.

Sincerely,

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CHARTER SCHOOL MEALS

School Site Lunch

February 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Breakfast Selections	Breakfast Breaks (Cinn. Toast) Assorted Milk	Apple Frudels Cheese Stick Diced Fruit Cup Assorted Milk	Banana Muffin Yogurt Diced Peach	Breakfast Breaks (Honey Nut)	Whole Grain Pop tarts (2ea) Cheese Stick	Breakfast Selections
3	4 Sloppy Joe on a Bun Mandarin Oranges Veggie Dippers 1.5cp	5 Chicken Tender Sliders(2ea) Baked Beans Strawberry Cup Slider Roll	6 Burrito Bites Fresh Broccoli Whole Apple Choice of Milk	7 Tangerine Chicken Brown Rice Glazed Carrots Cool Tropic	8 Turkey/Cheese Sub Sandwich Side salad w\Garbanzo Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	9
10	11 Cheese Burger on a Bun Pears Roasted Potato Choice of Milk	12 Fish Sticks (4ea) Mashed Potatoes Popeye Salad Dinner Roll 100% Fruit Juice	13 Turkey Cuban Sandwich Sweet Potato Wedges Mandarin Oranges	14 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Veggie Dippers Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	15 Popcorn Chicken Yellow Rice Baked Beans Sliced Apples Choice of Milk	16
17	18 NO SCHOOL	19 Teriyaki Beef Nuggets 1 cup Brown Rice Mixed Vegetables Mandarin Oranges	20 BBQ Turkey Sandwich On a Bun Broccoli Apple Slices	21 Montego Bay Roasted Chicken Green Beans Diced Pears	22 Chicken Patty w\ Bun Baked Beans Sweet Potato Waffles Mixed Fruit Choice of Milk	23
24	25 Teriyaki Chicken Mashed Potatoes Dinner Rolls Grapes Stir Fry Veg	26 SW Burrito Bites (4ea) Red Beans and Rice 3/4 c Baby Carrots Diced Cinn. Apples	27 BBQ Pulled Pork (4oz) Brown Rice Black Beans Pineapple Tidbits	28 Italian Deli Wrap Side salad w\Garbanzo Cool Tropic	3/1/13 Hot Dog on Bun Sweet Potato Wedge Sliced Apples Corn Choice of Milk	

Lunch

\$1.80 elementary
\$2.50 middle/high

Breakfast
\$1.25 elementary and 6th grade only

Help OSS Keep our Flag Hanging High

Oss is need of donations to purchase a new flag due to the wear and tear of the Florida weather.

So please help OSS honor this great country by helping out.



CAN TABS

Please drop off your can tabs to the jar on 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 "2012-13 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

OSS HOME VISITS

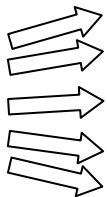
We are very happy with the degree of parent involvement we have in our school. In order to make our student, parent and teacher connection even stronger, OSS teachers researched and came up with the idea of home visits. Experience and research from all over the United States indicates that the interaction with a student's family at their home is a very effective way to help students achieve academic and behavioral progress.

If you would like to schedule a home visit or learn more about it please email Mr. Kaya.

Some feedbacks about home visits from our parents.

- When we chose to enroll my daughter at OSS we were very excited as the school seemed like a closer community than the public schools that our daughters have attended. The Home Visit program is a perfect example of this concept, that families and faculty working together can provide a better education for our children by communication and interaction. Please stay in touch and let us know how we can help make OSS an even better place.
- Good Morning Mr. Sahin, I wanted to thank you and Mr. Altintas for taking time out of your schedules to visit my home yesterday. I think the home visit was beneficial and I now better understand what is in store for my daughter this school year and what is expected of her.
- Teachers make a lasting impression on a child's life and this visit showed your love and concern about my son and the next generation; with the help of good parents and good teachers we can make a difference. I have not seen such dedication and care from a school in a long time.
- We know this takes a lot of time from your personal family and this does not go without notice. With the efforts this school has shown it will be a leader in no time. Keep up the good work we look forward to many more years of building a foundation as solid as a rock.
- I wanted to send a note to let you know that we enjoyed our home visit. The home visits are a great idea and facilitate good communication between faculty, students, and parents. We had the opportunity to get to know more about upcoming events and the curriculum

To



Increase student attendance rates.

Increase student test scores.

See school-wide positive behavior

Decrease suspension and expulsion rates.



Support Home
Visits
