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Bringing Out the Brilliance, Orange Public Schools' Spelling Bee of Champions

The Orange Public School District's Second Annual "Spelling Bee of Champions" will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the auditorium at Orange Preparatory Academy.

Students, representing seven elementary schools and pupils at Orange Preparatory Academy, competed in classroom and school wide spelling bees last November and December, in order to qualify for the Spelling Bee of Champions. The top fifty-one spellers ranging from first to eighth grade will now vie for the title of Spelling Bee Champion for the Orange Public School District.

Last year's event met the district's expectations for bringing out the brilliance in Orange's students. Parents, staff and students were present to cheer on the contestants as they spelled increasingly challenging words battling for the "championship royal". Superintendent Ronald C. Lee said, in a recent message, "This support is what catapults our students onto greatness and I ask that you come out again and support them in their hopes of achieving regional, state and national recognition as spelling bee champions."

Ms. Erica Stewart, Secondary Principal for Special Projects, coordinator of the spelling bee and other academic competitions for the district, has distributed registration material for all the contestants and will send out an information packet to students representing their schools. They will receive a program, media release form and instructions for the event. If any student has not yet returned their registration form or has specific questions, they are asked to contact their school coordinator.

Below is a list of all the school winners including a list of students who will compete in a special Spelling Bee round "Words Around the World".

SPELLING BEE WINNERS

School	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	School Champion
Cleveland	Moise Voltaire	Laneese Brown	Chidera Okafor	Nicholas Andrade	Shatrice Hertilien	Da'Naya Rollins	Ashley Moscoso		Da'Naya Rollins
Forest	Evelyn Lopez	Nevaeh Pierre	Lindsley Chery	Adrian Silva	Medina Purefoy-Craig	Louri-Ann Foster	Eduardo Fajardo		Eduardo Fajardo
Heywood	Evan Soler Jayden Honeyghan	Adrian Pierre	Duke Richman	Christian Daramola	Dyson Mitchell Sheridan Hart	Brian Mitchell	David Purnell		David Purnell
Lincoln	Jose Paive	Edlaine Luberisse	Keshima Smith	Jermaine Jackson		Andrew Coates	Tamera Fadael		Keshima Smith
Oakwood	Prince Antwi	Destiny Marable	Robert Dixon	Jeffery Pericles	Khalil Stewart	Tajae Grant	Andrew Campbell		Tajae Grant
Park	Joshua Gravesande	Autumn Tarver	Jeanel Molo	Ibrahim Sacko	Arianna Thompson	Briana Torrian	Chrystian Walker		Ibrahim Sacko
Rosa Parks Central Community School	John Flores	Michael Davis III	Aniyah Gomez	Ashleigh Howard-Jones	Katiana Isaac	Victoria Remekie	Terril Jackson		Ashleigh Howard-Jones
OPA								Shamora Vassell	
Words Around the World (WOW)		Tamyra Rumble	Frankben Chatonda	Rhea Davis	David Ortega	Mageenah Dacy		Samara Gibbs	



Pictured: Scenes from Cleveland Street School's Spelling Bee held on November 13, 2012



Pictured: Scenes from Forest Street School's Spelling Bee held on November 26, 2012



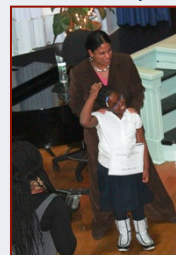
Pictured: Scenes from Heywood Avenue School's Spelling Bee held on November 16, 2012



Pictured: Scenes from Lincoln Avenue School's Spelling Bee held on December 4, 2012



Pictured: Scenes from Park Avenue School's Spelling Bee held on November 12, 2012



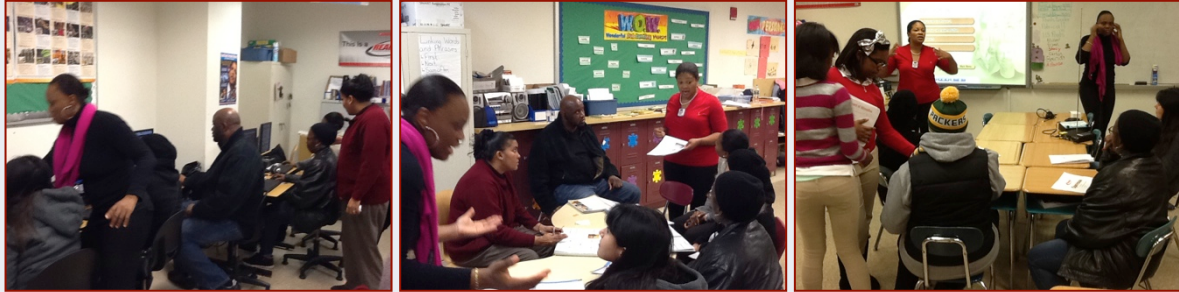
Pictured: Scenes from Rosa Parks Central Community School's Spelling Bee held on November 13, 2012



Read 180 Open House at Rosa Parks Central Community School

On January 22, 2013, Rosa Parks Central Community School hosted a special Read 180 Open House. Parents took a tour of a model Read 180 classroom and experienced the program first-hand through a simulated guided reading lesson. Read 180 is a reading intervention program designed for students who are reading below grade level. The program utilizes sophisticated software, literature and tailored instruction in reading skills to develop reading proficiency.

Faculty members including Ms. T. Miller, grade 4 Read 180 teacher, Ms. P. Springer, Special Education grade 6 and 7 teacher, Ms. S. Lundy, grades 5-7 Read 180 English teacher and Ms. Tanya Lopez, Master Language Arts Teacher orchestrated the evening and demonstrated various aspects of the program that will aid students in becoming successful readers.



Pictured: Scenes from Rosa Parks Central Community School's Read 180 Open House.



Cleveland Street, Heywood Avenue and Oakwood Avenue Schools Host the United Way's Celebrity Read

United Way of Essex and West Hudson launched Celebrity Read 2013 this past week, announcing a list of over 18 schools in three school districts in Essex County that will host Celebrity Readers. Program volunteers include parents, business and community leaders, district administrators and other staff members. Orange will continue its tradition of participating in this lauded program at the following schools:

Heywood Avenue	February 5	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Cleveland Street	February 6	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Oakwood Avenue	February 13	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Created in 1990, Celebrity Read is a "local legacy" initiative that recruits volunteers from throughout New Jersey to model their love of reading and the pursuit of education as a pathway to success in local elementary classrooms.

United Way believes that everyone can be a "celebrity" in the life of a child and we encourage those who want to be positively engaged with our communities' youth to become Celebrity Readers. Readers visit a school site for a morning or afternoon, read aloud with students and answer questions about their profession while encouraging youth to read and get an education. Celebrity Read proudly recruits over 400 volunteers and works with nearly 10,000 students, annually. (www.uwewh.org)



Park Avenue Students Winners in Bridge Competition



Park Avenue School's Bridge Club attended the District 3 Winter Regional Bridge Tournament in Rye Brook, NY on January 21, 2013. They competed against students from New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut, playing six rounds of duplicate bridge for a total of twelve hands. All of Park's students played exceptionally well, but two students, Jeremiah Coage and Aaron Garrison, came in 3rd Place!

Some of Park's bridge players were experienced tournament contestants, but for some, this was a first-time tournament experience. They played skillfully, especially against other students with many more years of bridge experience. In addition to playing bridge, students enjoyed meeting children from different schools throughout the tri-state area and having a delicious lunch.

Park's bridge club members were accompanied by Technology Coordinator, Dr. Denise Harlem and former Orange Director of Special Services and current Treasurer of the Orange Education Foundation, Ms. Barbara Clark. Ms. Clark introduced the game of bridge to the students of Orange. Also, serving as chaperones were Ms. Gail Velox, President of the Orange Education Foundation and district substitute teacher and Orange Education Foundation member Mr. Lawrence Samuels.

Congratulations to all of Park Avenue's Bridge Club!



Pictured (left to right): Joel Etinoff, 6th grade; Larry Samuels (chaperone), Romeo Nyepan, 6th grade, Barbara Clark (chaperone), Sayeed Bennett, 7th grade; Taylor Peart, 3rd grade.

Submitted by Park Avenue School



Park Avenue Winter Concerts

Park Avenue School held their "Winter in Song Concert" featuring the members of the Park Avenue Band and Choir on January 15. The program began with several musical selections by the band including "Killer Joe" and "The Eye of the Tiger", under the direction of Mr. Thaddeus Hammond. The Park Avenue Choir, directed by Ms. Brittany Russo, followed the band. They harmonized songs ranging from a 16th Century English round to a traditional folk song.

On January 17, the Park Avenue School Dance Ensemble presented "Everybody Dance". Under the direction of Mrs. Deborah Rembert. The performance included guest dance groups, the Orange Faculty Performance Ensemble and Concepts in Choreography.

Coming Attractions

- **Monday, January 28, 2013 – Department Meetings, students dismissed at 2:30 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, January 29, 2013 – OPA Winter Dance Concert, 7:00 p.m. at OPA Auditorium (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE) (See flyer below)**
- **Thursday, January 31, 2013 – District Professional Development Day, 12:30 p.m. dismissal for students**
- **Friday, February 1, 2013 – District Professional Development Day canceled – schools in session**
- **Saturday, February 2, 2013 – Spelling Bee of Champions, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Orange Preparatory Auditorium**
- **Sunday, February 3, 2013 – Emerging Artist Reception at James Howe Gallery Kean University, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (See flyer below) (Corrected date)**
- **Wednesday, February 6, 2013 – Heywood Avenue Art Reception, 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building**
- **Friday, February 8, 2013 – OHS Winter Dance Concert, 7:00 p.m. at OPA Auditorium (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE) (See flyer below)**
- **Friday, February 8 – Friday, February 15, 2013 – PRIDE Expo at Livingston Mall**
- **Saturday, March 9, 2013 – Parent Resource Fair, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Lincoln Avenue School - Featuring resource tables and information sessions for students (college fairs, summer programs) and parents (adult education, entrepreneurship courses)**



ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL

1st Annual Alumni

Basketball Game

Orange Alumni vs. East Orange Alumni

January 26, 2013

Orange High School

Saturday, 2:00pm

Cost: \$2 Students / \$5 Adults



Orange Preparatory Academy Dance Ensemble

presents...



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Tuesday January 29, 2013 @ 7:00 pm

Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium

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Emerging Artists

25th Annual High School Art Exhibit



James Howe Gallery
Vaughn-Eames Building
Kean University
Union, New Jersey

January 7 - February 3, 2013

Awards Reception

Sunday, February 3, 2013

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Awards Ceremony at 2:00 pm

Journey Through Equus
2012 Student Achievement Award Winner
Grace Cheung
Ridge HS, Basking Ridge

Orange High School Second Annual Exhibit

On display now through February 4, 2013



"Phenomenal Woman" by Maquelin Santana, Orange High School senior.

The exhibit features work by students in Christopher Cosmillo and Megan Guerrero's classes at Orange High School

The Stefanie Garwin Gallery
Arts Unbound
Monday - Friday
10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
544 Freeman Street
Orange, NJ
973-675-2887

O.H.S. Dance Department Presents Inspirations by our Historical President For Black History Month

YES WE CAN

February 08, 2013

OPA Auditorium

At 7:00P.M.

