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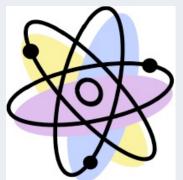
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Things You Should Know

- Forest Street School is in need of volunteers to support the groundbreaking of their Greenhouse Project on Saturday, June 9, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and on Sunday, June 10, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (See flyer below)
- The 15th Annual All City Arts Festival, featuring the best of the district's Visual and Performing Arts students, will take place on Wednesday, June 13, 2012 at the Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. (See flyer below)
- The Orange Public School District has expanded the registration hours for the district's summer program. Parents can register their children for the free morning program and the tuition based afternoon program on Wednesday, June 13th and June 20th, from 4:00-6:00 p.m., at the Orange Board of Education Administration Building, 451 Lincoln Avenue. Also, additional registration sites, for the afternoon program, during school hours, are: Scholars Academy (formerly Mt. Carmel School, at 268 Capuchin Way) and the Board of Education Administration Building. (See flyer below)
- There are many events for the coming weeks -- be sure to take a look at the Coming Attractions at the end of this "blast"



Orange Public School District Science Fair 2012



The Annual Orange District Science Fair will be held at Park Avenue School from June 12 – 14, 2012. The fair will feature approximately 150 award winning exhibits submitted by second through twelfth grade students from the schools in the district. Projects will be on display during school hours and on June 14th the exhibit will be open from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. followed by an awards ceremony from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

The Master Science teachers, Erika Hackett, Samantha Sica, Dennis Peterson and Shirley Colman, led by Terry Calsite, Director Mathematics and Science, have organized the event to include fun-filled, exciting demonstrations by Liberty Science Center, STEM inspired demonstrations presented by New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), as well as interactive recycling programs from the Essex County Environment Center.

Taking part in this showcase of academic excellence will be parents, teachers, district leaders, community members, and industry and university partners. Professional scientists and industry leaders will judge the competition. Trophies, certificates, plaques and wonderful prizes will be awarded to student winners and their schools. Refreshments, door prizes and gifts will be provided for attendees. (See flyer below)



Opening Opportunities in Orange: A Tribute of Thanks

On June 5, 2012, the Orange Public School District honored the many corporations, philanthropic organizations and service entities that contribute to the success of the Orange Public School District. The breakfast event was held at the Scholars Academy with over 90 attendees representing many notable organizations, local government officials and district administrators. The breakfast event was orchestrated by Ms. Candace Goldstein, Director of Special Programs, who invited district supporters and benefactors to acknowledge their contributions and to thank them for all they do. A cornerstone of the morning was the presentation of a ten-minute video, from "Diapers to Diplomas and Beyond" presented by Superintendent, Ronald C. Lee, after he gave opening remarks and publicly thanked the attendees. The video gave an overview of the Orange schools and all that is accomplished with the help of those who share the vision of

the Orange Public School District and support the needs of its community. Mr. Lee, along with Board of Education President, Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur, also gave a special recognition to Mr. Elliot D. Lee, of JP Morgan Chase, for his steadfast support and investment in the Orange community.

Award winning mixed chorus, *Voices In Harmony* and men's chorus, *Theoretically Sound*, directed by Mr. David Milnes, provided the morning's entertainment and its student director, senior Kristopher McCluney, served as Master of Ceremony. They were thanked for their participation along with the OHS Strings Ensemble, directed by Mr. Nathan K. Thomas, for providing a musical greeting as guests arrived. The Orange High School Culinary Club was also acknowledged for providing and serving the food for the event, along with their advisor, Ms. Nazi Badruddin, OHS Home Economics teacher.



Scenes from the event acknowledging Orange's supporters and benefactors including guests, Honoree, Elliot D. Lee, Superintendent Ronald C. Lee, Orange Board of Education President, Patricia A. Arthur, Orange High School Strings Ensemble, Voices In Harmony and the Culinary Club



Spring Concerts Across the District

As Orange Public School District closes out the 2011-2012 school year, the Visual and Performing Arts Departments are finishing their annual Spring School-wide Art Displays, Spring Music Concerts and Spring Dance Concerts. Below are photo highlights of several concerts recently held. More photos will be shared in a future issue of the Weekly Email Blast. Please note that Rosa Parks Central Community School will hold their concert on June 19, 6:30 p.m. at Central School Auditorium.



Park Avenue School's Spring Concert featured an art display coordinated by art teacher Benay Lipstein; band performance led by music teacher Thaddeus Hammond; dance pieces directed by dance instructor Deborah Rembert and the school's chorus led by vocal instructor Vanessa Lim



The 2012 Orange High School Drama Showcase took place on May 30th, on the stage at Orange Preparatory Academy. The drama students presented "Teen Life" in their premier workshop performance, depicting original scenes that reflect issues teens deal with daily. They monologues and skits were moving, thought provoking and, in some cases, hilarious. Led by drama teacher, Rachael Green, the students performed in front of their peers, family, staff and administrators who were in full support of their work.



Rosa Parks Central Community School Mental Math Competition

On Tuesday, June 5, the 4th – 7th grade students from Rosa Parks Central Community School participated in a Math-A-Thon where students solved math equations without the aid of pencil, paper or a calculator. Students battled it out, solving equation after equation to declare the first, second and third place winner for each grade level. Originally scheduled in the Central auditorium, the Tuesday event spilled over into Wednesday, as the fifth grade students completed their rounds in the gym at Rosa Parks. The mental math competition continued with the remaining grades solving increasingly complex problems in their heads. The competitors' classmates looked on, mentally solving the problems along with the contestants who demonstrated accuracy and speed in answering the equations given to them.

All of the contestants were presented with medals and certificates. Pictures and highlights of the event will be shared in next week's issue of the Weekly Email Blast.



Lincoln Avenue School's Field Day



In May, the ESL (shown left) students at Orange High School had the opportunity to visit one of New York City's leading art houses, The Guggenheim Museum. Ms. Alvarez, their ESL teacher, was accompanied by Ms. Ross, ESL teacher, Mr. Suarez, ESL teacher, and Ms. Vargas. The students were able to see firsthand the wonderful architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright, as well as the funky and ecological iron sculptures from John Chamberlain. The students also toured the amazing permanent collections from world renowned artists such as Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, Paul Cezanne, Paul Gauguin, Vincent van Gogh, Edourd Manet, Vasily Kandinsky, and others.

After touring the museum, the students were able to have lunch overlooking the reservoir in Central Park. It was a beautiful day and students enjoyed their cultural exposure to art and the Upper Eastside of Manhattan. For many students it was their first trip to an art museum in

NYC and from the comments and looks on their faces it won't be their last!!

Coming Attractions

- Saturday and Sunday, June 9 and 10 Forest Street School Outdoor Garden, 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. at Forest Street School (See flyer below and contact Forest Street School for more information at 973-677-4120)
- Monday, June 11 Orange Education Foundation Inaugural Gala and Awards Celebration,
 4:00 7:00 p.m., Lincoln Avenue School (See flyer below)
- Monday, June 11 Orange Saturday Arts Academy 2nd Recital, 6:00 p.m., Orange Public Library (See flyer below)
- Tuesday, June 12 Thursday, June 14 Orange Public School District Science Fair at Park Avenue School
- Wednesday, June 13 15th Annual All-City Arts Festival, 7:00 p.m. at Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium (See flyer below)
- Thursday, June 14, Fourth Annual Science Fair Awards Ceremony, 6:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m., Park Avenue School (See flyer below)
- Friday, June 15 Behind the Curtain: Billy Joel, 5:30 and 7:00 p.m., on the stage of Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium. Reserved seating required. Includes dinner and show. (See flyer below for ticket price and more information)
- Monday, June 18 District Retirement/Recognition Party, 4:00 p.m., Appian Way, Orange, NJ (See flyer below)
- Tuesday, June 19 3rd Annual Drama Project, 7:00 p.m. Lincoln Gymnatorium, Lincoln Avenue School

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND...

FOREST STREET SCHOOL'S

Outdoor Science Classroom - Groundbreaking Installation



Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Forest will be the first of three schools in our district to installation State-of-the-Arts Outdoor Science Classroom. It will consist of various plants, rock gardens, compost, a rain collection station, a greenhouse, a weather station and much more. The Outdoor Science Classroom will be utilized by all students (Pre-K-7th grade) for the purpose of studying nature, energy, weather, living organisms, water, waste flow, etc. This opportunity has been awarded to us through an Orange Board of Education initiated grant.

Home Depot, Urban Gardens, District, Family and Community members have volunteered to work with us to make this event a tremendous success.

We welcome your presence at the groundbreaking, life changing event.

To Volunteer, Donate or receive more information: Contact Erika Hackett at Forest Street School 973-677-4120

> Thank you, FOREST STREET SCHOOL FAMILY



Orange Public Library Children's Department proudly welcomes



The Orange Saturday Arts Academy 2nd RECITAL

Monday June 11, 2012

6:00 PM

in the Library Meeting Room, Lower Level
348 Main Street, Orange NJ
South Essex St. entrance

Come early!

- To see our display of Children's Books related to music, dance, and performing arts available for checkout until 5:50 p.m.
- To sign up for Summer Reading Program: Dream Big, Read!
- To view the students' Visual ARTS Exhibition.

You are cordially invited to attend the **Orange Education Foundation Inaugural Gala and Awards Celebration**

honoring

Orange Public School District outstanding teacher nominees: Charmaine Fraser, Cleveland Street School Neurones Plaisimond, Heywood Avenue School Jenelle Stokes, Forest Street School and high achieving students from each school



A 501(c)(3) NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Monday, June 11, 2012 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Lincoln Avenue School 216 Lincoln Avenue Orange, NJ

\$30.00 Adults

\$10 Students

Includes dinner, dancing and silent auction Make check(s) payable and mail to: Orange Education Foundation, P.O. Box 644, Orange NJ 07051 Only cash and checks accepted at the door For more information call 973-678-0945



Orange Public School District Presents

The Fourth Annual District SCIENCE FAIR

Tuesday, June 12, 2012 - 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Wednesday, June 13, 2012 – 8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. Thursday, June 14, 2012 – 4:00 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.



Thursday, June 14, 2012 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Park Avenue School 231 Park Avenue, Orange, NJ





Voices in Harmony Presents Behind The Curtain

concert series featuring

" A Night of Billy Joel"

Come join us for an intimate concert on stage behind the curtain where the members of Voices in Harmony will perform music from select composers and performers in a night club setting. Refreshments will be served.

PRESALE TICKETS ONLY NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR

Tickets \$10 PRESALE TICKETS ONLY

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Date: Friday 6/15/2012

Session 1 - 5:30-6:30 (doors open at 5:00) Session 2 - 7:00 - 8:00

SEE MR. MILNES AT ROOM 246 OR A VIH MEMBER FOR TICKETS

ALL PERFORMANCES START PRECISLY AT THE ADVERTISED TIME. PLEASE BE MIND FUL OF OUR PERFORMERS

Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Fun and Educational Activities



Monday – Friday Full and Half Day Available Click Here for

Applications

Open to students entering grades 1-9 in September 2012





Applications Now Available in Your Home School!!!!!!!

Orange Full Day Summer Fun Six Weeks ~ June 25 - August 3 Heywood Ave, Lincoln Ave, Rosa Parks, Park Ave, Scholars Academy, Orange Prep Academy

Academic Fun (free) 8:30-12:30

Monday to Thursday

Math Games-Computer GamesResearch-Debate-ReadingPolitical Cartoons-STEM

Exploration

Unbound/Family Connections

Mon to Thurs 12:30-5:30/Fri 8:30-5:30

\$380/child- Payment plans available

Field trips-Cybercamp
Arts and Craft

Swimming-Book Club