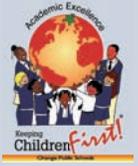




# OBOE-Mail Blast



April 18, 2014

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## Have a safe and enjoyable Spring Break!

### Reminder:

*For students in grades 3 - 8, who registered for the Spring Break Academy, classes are Tuesday, April 22 through Thursday, April 24 at Lincoln Avenue School, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration is closed for this program!*



## District Community Health Fair, Saturday, May 10



The annual district Community Health Fair takes place on Saturday, May 10, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. – until 3:00 p.m., at Lincoln Avenue School. The school's gymnasium

Ms. Sandra Gray, Supervisor for Physical Education and Health has organized this event for the school district for over 12 years, with the intent of providing the community with access to medical information and healthcare resources. There will be free screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, rapid HIV screenings, eye examinations and much more.

will be filled with information tables manned by a range of health resources including valuable health screenings, along with vendors selling a variety of gifts, just in time for Mother's Day.

The fair is also a recreational outlet for children, with activities available throughout the event. There will be free amusement rides, carnival booths, games and free bike helmets for students who bring their bicycle, as well as, bike safety instructions and inspection, offered through the Orange Police Department. See flyer below.



## STEM Core Students at Scholars Academy

The Scholars Academy Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Core students, in grades 6 to 8, are currently working on a fun and exciting curriculum using the website <http://www.instructables.com>. This unit allows students to explore their creativity while using their freedom of choice in the STEM lab. The end product will be a collection of student written "Instructables" that can be used as projects written by and for students.

Three of the STEM students, Stride Okorie, Richards Lawson, and Anthony Carey have collaborated to build a robotic arm that can mimic the movement of a human arm. One student will be fitted with a robotic casing that will transmit signals, via Bluetooth technology, to the other robotic arm, to simulate the movement of the human arm.

The students have stated, "We are working as a team to build a Lego Nxt robotic arm with an extension to the elbow and shoulder that is based on the Da Vinci Surgery Robotic Arm. We think this project is really cool and it gives us a head start on how we are going to use what we know in the future."



**Pictured: Stride Okorie, Richards Lawson, and Anthony Carey collaborate on a robotic arm.**

Other projects include a solar powered windmill, a working clock, a model home with a matching blueprint, gummy bear launcher, all with an emphasis on STEM and engineering.



## Orange Public School District Dress Down Day

The Orange Public School District is deeply saddened at the loss of Evan Soler, a second grade Heywood Avenue student and his mother, Ms. Tanji Dewberry. The district will make a donation to the family through funds from two "dress down days" held April 17 and April 18.

Students and staff made voluntarily contributions by wearing casual clothing on those days.

The Orange Public School District offers their deepest sympathies to the family.



## UN Conference, "Victory Over Slavery: Haiti and Beyond"

On March 26, Orange school district students participated in the "Student Global Videoconference", as part of the United Nations' "International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade". This year's theme, "Victory over Slavery: Haiti and Beyond", pays tribute to the fight against slavery in the nations around the world.

The conference honored the memory of those who suffered in the Transatlantic Slave Trade, which lasted for over 400 years, where more than 15 million men, women and children were the victims of one of the darkest chapters in human history. The International Day also aimed at raising the awareness about the dangers of racism and prejudice.

The agenda consisted of students participating in a live Webcast that included videoconference sites from Haiti, Spain and Senegal. Students from each area of the world had an opportunity to participate in presenting information, and entertaining questions and comments from the various sites.

In order to permanently honor the victims, a memorial will be erected at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. Mr. Rodney Leon, Winner of the International Design Competition spoke about this memorial. Students had an opportunity to draw and share what the memorial would look like, with the artist.

On behalf of the students, Mr. Max Nixon, OHS SmartLab Facilitator, thanks Ms. Patricia Thomas, North Jersey Chapter of the Links and Ms. Karen Cooper, Female Achievers, for their support.



Pictured (above and left): Orange students in attendance at the UN "Student Global Videoconference".

Submitted by: Max Nixon, SmartLab Facilitator



## Real world Connection Orange Program Mini Showcase



The Real World Connections (RWC) program at Orange High School (OHS) will hold a "Mini Showcase" on

Wednesday, April 30, 2014, in the OHS Cafeteria from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

RWC is a unique program offered by NJIT to middle and high school students that give them the opportunity to be involved in hands-on educational experiences.

Students have been engaged in various "Tracks", which will be on display, supporting a variety of science and business applications. The "Tracks" are:

1. CSI - Solving Crimes with Science and Technology
  2. Road to Medicine - Road to Medicine and Health Care Careers
  3. Game Development
  4. Lit Magazine - Online Magazine (social entrepreneurship)
  5. Beyond the Walls - Marketing material design for a non-profit organization
  6. Material Sciences - Introduction to Material Science and Engineering
- There will be food, a raffle, and prizes to be awarded!☺

The showcase will also be held Saturday, May 3rd, from 12:00pm to 4:00pm, at NJIT.

*Submitted by: Max Nixon, SmartLab Facilitator*



## Mentorship, Scholarships and Enrichment Programs at Forest Street School "It Takes a Village To Raise a Child"!

### Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, Maplewood-Oranges Alumni Chapter:

The Maplewood-Oranges Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, Fraternity Incorporated is a new partner to Forest Street School (FSS), providing mentorship opportunities to male students in grades 6 & 7. The Kappa League's Guide Right Program also encompasses, professional skills workshops, college preparation, tutoring and career awareness. The purpose of this mentorship opportunity is to help young men set worthy goals for themselves and make constructive contributions to their community when they assume leadership roles. Featured are pictures of the Guide Right Mentees with their mentors.



**Pictured: Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Incorporated enjoying lunch with Forest's mentees.**

### Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Association, Seton Hall University:

The FSS family also entered a partnership with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Association of Seton Hall University. The organization provides mentorship for girls in the third grade to assist pre teenage girls in building self-esteem, which ultimately aids school-aged girls to make better decisions. Mentorship opportunities will convene 3 Fridays every month from 4:00 PM-5:00PM. The program components include: community service, book club reading, self-empowerment, etiquette and fitness.



**Pictured: Little Miss students working with their mentors.**

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Rho Gamma Omega Chapter:**

The Oranges and Maplewood Chapter, Rho Gamma Omega of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Sorority Incorporated has partnered with the Forest Street School to provide a national mentorship program that supports young ladies in the 6th through 8th grades. The project at Forest services female students in grades 6 & 7. The Emerging Young Leaders (EYL) Program promotes scholarship, community participation, cultural awareness and social decorum. The goal of EYL is to develop leaders who will be prepared for college and to build a foundation to help them achieve their life goals. The EYL program meets the second Saturday each month with the 6th and 7th grade female students at Forest.

On March 29, the Rho Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha sponsored an Emerging Young Leaders Summit entitled "Design Your Future, Change The World". Male and female students from the Oranges, South Orange and Maplewood were invited to attend. Students enjoyed leadership workshops focused on Building Self Esteem, Anti-Bullying / Bystander, Zumba, Financial Fitness, Parent Communication, Social Media, Color My World / Style and STEM.

Parents participated in a workshop entitled "Parent Communication". Michael Spence, motivational speaker and student from Montclair State University, was the keynote speaker.



**Pictured: Ms. Cooke (Principal) assisting EYL student mentees in a project.**



**Pictured (left): Forest mentees and mentors working together to get the task done!**

**The Horizon Community Development Incorporated, Rising Above Initiative:**



**Pictured (left): Horizon Community Development member assists one of Forest's kindergarten students.**

The Horizon Community Development Corporation is a partner of Forest Street School that currently administers a youth afterschool enrichment and tutorial program that promotes self esteem, entrepreneurial initiatives, and public speaking, prevents gang participation and substance abuse; developing effective study habits and providing afterschool homework assistance. The program services students in grades kindergarten through 7th grade each Friday from 4pm until 6pm. Students from Orange High School also participate in the program and provide community service and support.

*Submitted by Ms. Quiyon Peters, School Counselor*



## The Dodge Dance initiative Hosted Pilot Dance Program in Orange

On April 1, Cleveland Street second grade students completed a dance program funded by the Geraldine S. Dodge Foundation. The genesis of the program was the acknowledgement that of all the arts taught in schools, dance has the least representation. This was the finding of research conducted by the Geraldine S. Dodge Foundation, one of the major philanthropic supporters of the arts in New Jersey. To help this situation, the Dodge Foundation provided funding for dance educators and choreographers, administered through Young Audiences of New Jersey/Eastern Pennsylvania (a supplier of arts-in education programs) to develop a progressive curriculum for grades 2 through 5, to teach students the elements of principles of dance, namely speed, time, and energy. To foster implementation of the Dodge Dance Initiative (DDI) in NJ public schools, the Dodge Foundation provided grants to professional dance companies to take the program into selected schools.

Mosaic Dance Theater Company (MDTC) is one such company, and has brought several assembly programs to the Orange School district over the past years. The 2nd grade classes of Cleveland Street School (Ms. Copeland and Ms. Smith, classroom teachers) and Oakwood Avenue School (Ms. Guenther, Music teacher and Ms. Saddiq, Librarian, Ms. Pugh classroom teacher) were selected to pilot the program. Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, MDTC's Producing Artistic Director, was the teaching artist for this 16-week classroom residency. The first unit of 9 sessions provided a performance by MDTC at Orange Preparatory Academy (shared for all 2nd graders in Orange), and introduced the dance concepts through exercises where the students explored different types of individual movement (move like your favorite animal; your favorite sport) and group movement (we make a "painting" using our bodies as a paintbrush, with the space around us as a canvas). A dance vocabulary introduced new terminology: pathways, levels, energies, and speed. With session 10, the students began to create a class project integrating their new knowledge of dance with their school studies.

Ms. Toshia Copeland at Cleveland chose "Balance And Motion" for her students' project theme, while Ms. Tiesha Smith chose "Black History." Ms. Varricchio directed students as they made a word wall for the theme, and then chose different sub-topics for the different group, solo and duet sections within project. The projects, each about 7 minutes long, were performed to an eclectic soundtrack compiled by Ms. Varricchio. Dr. Cayce Cummins, Principal, as well as Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, attended the performance.



**Pictured (above): Students in Ms. Copeland's class performing their class project (bottom photo with Principal Cummins).**



**Pictured (above): Students in Ms. Smith's class performing their class project, shown with Ms. Varricchio.**

*Submitted by Morgiana Celeste Varricchio, MDTC's Producing Artistic Director*

## Orange Early Childhood Center Celebrates Week of the Young Child with Parent Conference

The Orange Early Childhood Center celebrated the Week of the Young Child with a parent conference, on April 9, giving parents an opportunity to come together to celebrate their children with tools to help them lead a well-balanced productive life.



Parents gathered at the center to hear from the school nurse, Mrs. Bernadette Guerriero, who made a presentation "A Rainbow of Healthy Food, It's All on the Plate". The presentation included new nutritional guidelines,

information about the role a healthy diet plays in the academic development of children and allowed parents to sample healthy treats.

Parents then heard from Preschool Master Teacher, Mrs. Julia Jasper about the introduction of math concepts through everyday activities, using articles such as clothing, household objects and cards, as well as books. Parents demonstrated the concepts by participating in simple games of matching colors, shapes and numbers.



The event was informative and enjoyable for the parents in attendance. It was made more enjoyable by the awarding of raffle prizes to several winners that included children's games, and fresh food baskets. Ms. Carol Daly, School

Counselor (shown above with Mrs. Jasper), who organized the event, presided over the raffle.

The OECC staff supported the event with translation service for parents and by manning a Book Fair, as well; Supervisor Jacqueline Blanton addressed parents and thanked them for attending.



**Pictured: Nurse Guerriero; healthy treats.**



**Pictured: Supervisor of Early Childhood, Ms. Blanton, addressing parents.**



**Pictured: Ms. Jasper speaking with parents.**



## The Mobile Dentist at Cleveland Street School

On March 25 and March 26, the Mobile Dentist came to Cleveland Street School. Two hygienists and a dentist set up a dental office in the library, complete with chairs, x-ray machine and suctions. Fifty-four students had their teeth cleaned and x-rays taken. Some also had dental sealants applied to prevent cavities. Eleven students had cavities. "Dental report cards" were given to all the students to take home. The parents must take those children with cavities for follow up care, as the mobile dentist cannot provide restorative care.

If the children do not have dental insurance or the finances to cover the cost of these services, they have grants that allow the children to be seen. Cleveland Street's next Mobile Dentist visit is scheduled for October 2014.



**Pictured (above): Cleveland Street students visit with the Mobile Dentist.**

*Submitted by Lynn Jacobs, School Nurse*



## Spring Registration Dates Set for Preschool

### Preschool Registration



Preschool registration is scheduled for:

Tuesday, April 29 and May 6 and 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 PM with the last sign-in at 12:30 PM.

Registration takes place at Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue in Orange. See flyer below.

## Calendar of Events

# April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Forest Street Board Lobby Art Reception, 6 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal  Saturday Arts Academy 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 'Mathquest' <b>Postponed</b> New date TBD	<b>8</b> Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 PM OPA Auditorium	<b>9</b> Community Room Breakfast Series, RPCS 9 – 10:30 AM  Week of the Young Child, OECC, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.	<b>10</b>  Marking Period 3 Ends	<b>11</b>  Marking Period 4 Begins	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Parent Conference Grades 8-12, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM  April 14 - 22	<b>15</b> Grades 8-12 12:30 PM Dismissal – Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM	<b>16</b> Parent Conference Grades Pre-K-7, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM	<b>17</b> Grades Pre-K-7 12:30 PM Dismissal - Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM  National History Bee- Regional Finals, 5PM at OPA	<b>18</b> Good Friday  Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> Easter Sunday 	<b>21</b> Spring Recess District Closed 	<b>22</b> Spring Recess District Closed  ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS NJASK ACADEMY 8:30 AM - 12:30 P.M. 	<b>23</b> Spring Recess District Closed  ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS NJASK ACADEMY 8:30 AM - 12:30 P.M. 	<b>24</b> Spring Recess District Closed  ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS NJASK ACADEMY 8:30 AM - 12:30 P.M. 	<b>25</b> Spring Recess District Closed 	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Orange Dance Conservatory 3rd Annual Festival, 10:00 AM - <b>POSTPONED</b>	<b>28</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  Departmental Meetings 2:30 PM Dismissal for Students  TryMathlon Grades 1-3 <b>Postponed</b>	<b>29</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics	<b>30</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  <b>Follow the Reader – District Book Challenge database closes!</b>			

### For Additional Events and Activities:

- See flyers below for coming attractions and visit the district's website at [www.orange.k12.nj.us](http://www.orange.k12.nj.us)
- For Orange High School Athletic events visit: [Tornadoes In Action](#), on the Orange High School website.
- For District Academic Competitions visit the: [Academic Competition Experience webpage](#) on the district website.

# Orange Bengals Pop Warner

(Football Team & Cheerleading Squad)

Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> 7:00-10:00pm

## Family & Friends Skate Night!



### COME OUT & SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!!

This is an Event for Orange Bengals Pop Warner! Bring Your Family & Friends and come have some fun!

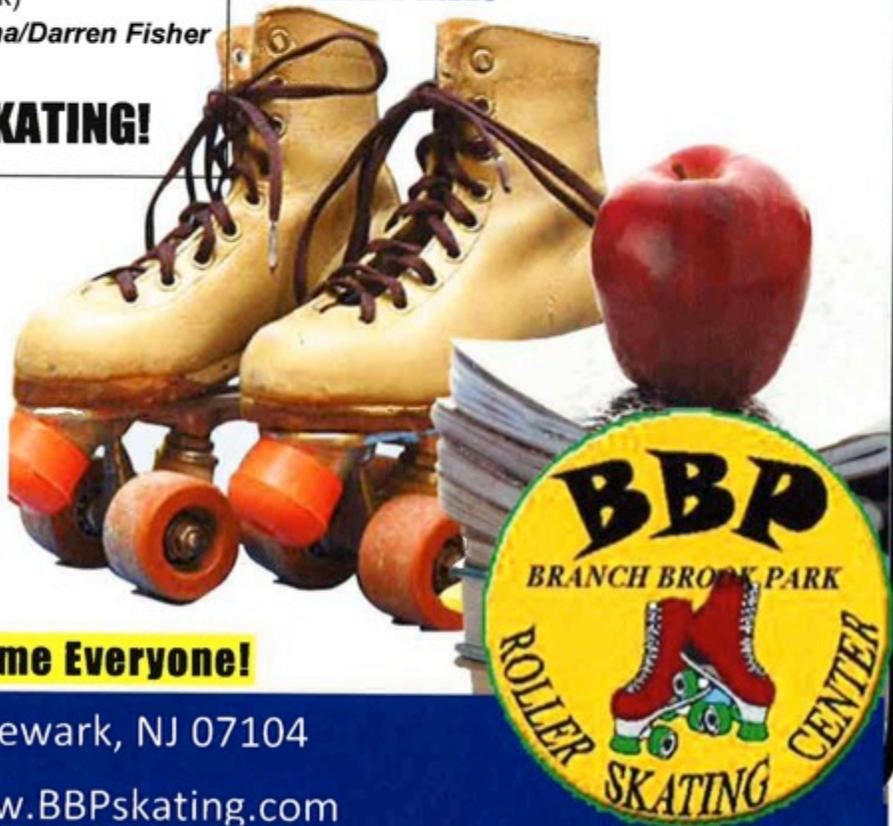
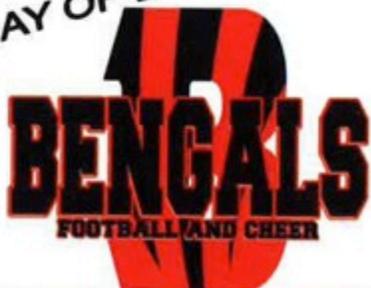
**\$16.00 per person**

(Includes Admission & Skate Rental  
with 1 Slice & Drink)

See *Gayle Bean-Brown & Miasha/Darren Fisher*  
for tickets

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DAY OF EVENT



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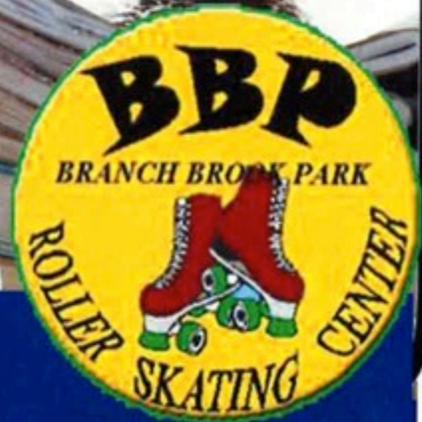
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**Please Join Us for the  
Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room  
Family Breakfast Seminar Series**



**Time: 9:00am – 10:30am (doors open at 8:30am)**

(Information to help you and your child succeed. Breakfast will be served.)

**Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>** Resumes/ Cover letters and Interviewing Skills  
Glenn Best – Director of Business Development  
Urban League of Essex County

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**Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>** How to Help Your Child Prepare for Standardized Tests  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>** Child Advocacy and School Culture  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>** Social Services  
TBD

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**Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>** Training on Bullying  
Ms. Murphy Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>** Supporting Student Learning Over the summer  
TBD

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**Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>** Community Room Celebration

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**DATE TBD** Understanding Core Curriculum & Homework/Study Help  
TBD

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Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room Location:  
33 Cleveland Street  
Orange, NJ 07050

Contact Person: Kory M. Saunders  
Site Coordinator  
973-677-4515 or 973-985-9166  
Saundeko@mail.orange.k12.nj.us

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AN ALL STAR  
ORANGE CARPET DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014

FEATURING

MOTHERS / SONS  
FATHERS / DAUGHTERS  
LEGAL GUARDIANS

REFRESHMENTS WILL  
BE SERVED

Park Avenue School  
231 Park Ave.  
Orange, NJ 07050  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

KING & QUEEN  
WILL BE  
CHOSEN

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>  
with attendees name & phone number  
[sjonesgraves@yahoo.com](mailto:sjonesgraves@yahoo.com)  
[shaece111@aol.com](mailto:shaece111@aol.com)  
Contact number: 862-216-0875



FORMAL ATTIRE





ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Administration Building  
451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050  
Tel: (973) 677-4015  
Website: <http://www.orange.k12.nj.us>

Mr. Ronald C. Lee  
Superintendent of Schools  
Jacquelyn Blanton  
Supervisor of Early Childhood

Candace Goldstein  
Director of Special Programs

## REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

### REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable) deben ser actual.**
- **SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRATO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**

**REGISTRACIÓN: Abril 2014 Martes 1, 8, 15, y 29.**

**Mayo 2014 Martes 6 y 13.**

**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Tiene que firmar antes de las 12:30 p.m.**

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050  
(973) 677-4500 ext 1904**

**SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESARROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.**



# Community Health Fair

## Saturday, May 10, 2014



10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

### Lincoln Ave. Gym & Parking Lot

216 Lincoln Ave.

**GAMES • CARNIVAL BOOTHS • DJ  
AMUSEMENT RIDES • MOTHER'S DAY ITEMS FOR  
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#### FREE SCREENINGS FOR:

**BLOOD PRESSURE - GLAUCOMA  
EYE EXAM- GLUCOSE TESTING - CHLAMYDIA- GONNORHEA  
TRIGGER POINT MASSAGE/RAPID RELEASE PAIN  
MANAGEMENT AND SPINAL ADJUSTMENT  
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**BICYCLE SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS & INSPECTION - BRING YOUR BICYCLE  
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#### **INFORMATION & REFERRALS ON:**

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*FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (973) 677-4000 EXT. 5042*

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## Time is Running Out, Order Orange Gear Today, Sale Ends April 16!



If you are looking for Orange Gear, the online store has re-opened once again. You must buy quickly, as the store will close **4/16/14** and then will begin processing the orders.

To order visit: <http://team-shop.lidsteamsports.com/form/show/orghssspirit2014>

See flyer below.



## Orange Earth Day 2014

On Thursday, April 17, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Orange High School, approximately 50 students, along with teacher chaperones, Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, Orange Mayor Dwayne Warren, and district and city officials will celebrate Earth Day (in advance of the official day, April 22). The students will lead a walking trip from Orange High School, to the Board of Education building, ending at Orange Public Library at 11:30 a.m. The New Jersey Education Association (NJEA) PRIDE is sponsoring the event, ORANGE EARTH DAY 2014, "MAKING ORANGE GREEN", through a grant.

The participants will begin their cleanup and planting at OHS. They will then walk down Lincoln Avenue to the Board of Education building, at 451 Lincoln Avenue. From there, the group will walk to Main Street, in Orange, planting in designated areas, and end their walk at the Orange Public Library (OPL), at 348 Main Street. Students will convene back at OHS for additional activities.

*Submitted by Minette Salomon, Special Education teacher*



**NJEA "PRIDE"**  
**Is Proud to Announce**  
**ORANGE EARTH DAY 2014**  
**"MAKING ORANGE GREEN"**  
**April 17, 2014 (Rain date April 29<sup>th</sup>)**  
**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

Itinerary:  
Orange High School  
Board of Education  
Main Street  
Orange Public Library  
Lunch at Orange High School

For more information contact:  
Minette Salomon or Linda Siddiq at OHS

The funding, provided by the NJEA PRIDE, allows the entourage to celebrate Earth Day by weeding, planting flowers, and picking up trash along the Lincoln Avenue/Main Street route. The group will be accompanied by a police escort and has received additional support from the Orange Public School District and the City of Orange Township.



## Spring Break English Language Arts Academy Offered for Grades 3 – 8



The Orange Township Public School District is offering a 3-day English Language Arts Spring Break Academy for its elementary and middle school students in grades 3-8. The academy will be held at Lincoln Avenue School. The dates and times of the program are Tuesday through Thursday, April 22, 23 and 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Parents are asked to contact their home schools for more information.

See flyer below.



## National History Bee Regional Finals



On Thursday, April 17 at 5:00 p.m., the National History Bee will hold its annual regional finals for the New York-Northern New Jersey region in Orange, at the Orange Preparatory Academy. The community is invited to observe history bee finalists from the area compete in this fast-paced quiz of American and World history.

Four students from Orange have qualified to compete in this competition. The students are 4th grader, Kashima Smith and 5th grader, Tracy Ware, Jr. from Lincoln Avenue School, 6th grader, Khalil Stewart, from Oakwood Avenue School and 7th grader Melen Negussie from Forest Street School.



## The Math Menagerie at Forest Street School



With the support of the Math Department and Forest Street Principal, Ms. Yancisca Cooke and staff, Erica Stewart, Administrator for Special Projects, coordinated a "Math Menagerie". Based on Tennessee Williams' "Glass Menagerie", the premise of the event was to demystify engaging mathematical

practices for middle grade students and demonstrate how natural these processes actually are for students.



Pictured (above): Scenes from the "Math Menagerie" including students and staff members engaged in math activities.



A total of 126 students, in grades 4-7, had the opportunity to engage with others in their own learning, use technology to facilitate math education, and work in small groups with teachers of all disciplines on targeted skills. Students spent 18

minutes in 5 stations that focused on major work, supporting clusters, and fluency. They were responsible for the tasks, as well as their own transitions from one station to the next.



Students earned raffle tickets at each station and each student received a medallion. At the end of the program, about 60 students took prizes home. The participants completed feedback cards that echoed their love of technology, variety, and the opportunity to engage with peers in an academic context.

Orange High School seniors, who volunteered their time, are thanked for their assistance in the day's event



Pictured: (above) Teachers; students engaged in math activity; a happy winner; Principal Cooke, teacher Tyarra Hunter, Ms. Stewart and Superintendent Lee.



## East Ward Mural Project Initiated Friday, April 4



**Pictured: Group picture including artists, Oakwood staff and students, P. Morrissy and R. Bryant.**

Across the street from Oakwood Avenue School, the neighborhood is busy with the first mural of the East Ward Mural Project getting underway. The project kicked off the installation of the first mural, last Friday, at 150 Oakwood Avenue in Orange, directly across the Street from the Oakwood Avenue School. The project is a joint effort between the city, ValleyArts, HANDS, Inc. and Oakwood Avenue School. The artist, Ronald Freeman, managing artist Jeremy Moss, and a Mural Leadership team made up of the artists, representatives of Oakwood Avenue School, city officials and community members, all contributed to the mural's theme "community."

Students from Oakwood wrote essays to the artist, describing their hopes for the future. The mural artist wove these hopes into the design. At the kick-off event, some of these students made the first brush strokes, directed by the artists, to begin the mural. Also present were the property owners, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Saal, Patrick Morrissy from HANDS, Candace Goldstein, Director of Special Programs, Principal Pettit and Richard Bryant, ValleyArts.

"Orange is proud to be such a diverse community and we'd like to embrace, celebrate and advance a spirit of "Community" for all people", says Principal Robert Pettit of Oakwood Avenue School. Richard T. Bryant, the mural project director and executive director of ValleyArts, stated, "In city after city, we have seen that engagement in public art helps build community in powerful and highly visible ways. We are excited to be part of it and grateful to HANDS Inc. for bringing us into it and making our first mural possible."

The goal of the East Ward Mural Project is to encourage the community to collaborate with artists on the development and execution of public murals that articulate the neighborhood's history and aspirations and help to transform the physical environments in which they are placed. The ValleyArts program envisions up to three murals in the East Ward, subject to available funding.



**Pictured (Above): Scenes from the mural kick-off.**

The Oakwood Avenue mural is scheduled to be complete in early May. A dedication event for the mural will be announced in the coming weeks.



**Pictured: Scenes from East Ward Mural Project kick-off.**



## Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Monte Irvin Baseball Field

Central playground was re-opened on April 3, with a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Monte Irvin Baseball Field. This special event unveiled the efforts of a public/private partnership that transformed the facility into a state of the art baseball field where the Orange High School Tornadoes can host home games. The field was made possible through a \$1.3 million upgrade, funded by New Jersey's Green Acres Program. According to the city, the project included a multi-purpose outdoor athletic facility, as well as a baseball field and 60 yd. practice field for football. The new field contains batting cages, a pitcher's warm-up area, and a warm-up track. It is the only regulation size baseball field in Orange Township.

Marty Mays, Director of Planning for the City of Orange hosted the proceedings including a presentation of the Green Acres signage and congratulations to the team of designers, construction managers, school and city officials who made the work possible. There were numerous speakers including Councilperson Tency Eason, Director of Community Affairs, Adrienne Wooten, and Coach Walter Boyett, of the OHS Varsity Baseball Team. Mr. Boyett applauded the work that has transformed the field for his players and created a great recreational facility for the community. County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. also spoke, saying he has played on the field when he attended Barringer High School in Newark and this was a special day. The ribbon cutting was an especially significant day for the field's namesake, Monte Irvin, former professional major league player who calls Orange home. The Monte Irvin Baseball Field is now a field that lives up to his legacy.



**Pictured: Superintendent Lee cuts the ribbon with Mayor Warren, W. Boyett, County Executing DiVincenzo and other officials.**

The Honorable Dwayne D. Warren acknowledged that this was another milestone for the Township, before Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, gave remarks and officially cut the ribbon for the new sports facility. The numerous onlookers and guests, including city officials, district administrators, district board and city council members, Assemblyman Thomas Giblin and members of the community cheered the official opening of the field.



**Pictured (above): Presentation of signage; Mayor Warren, Director Mays; Superintendent Lee with Mayor Warren and W. Boyett; group photo including Councilmembers Eason and Elroy Corbitt, County Executing DiVincenzo and OHS Tornadoes.**



The first home game of the season for the Orange Tornadoes baseball team then got underway after 3rd grader K'Lynn Jackman (pictured left), from Rosa Parks Community School, sang a rousing rendition of the National Anthem and Mayor Warren threw out the first ball in the game against Newark's University High School.



## Forest Hosts Its Annual Cultivating Careers Day

The Forest Street School Family hosted its annual "Cultivating Career Day" event on March 21, 2014. Career Day is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about the relationship between personal qualities, education, training and the world of work. The event serviced students from pre-kindergarten through 7th grade. The Forest Street family firmly believes that it is never too early to engage a student's talents while exposing them to various careers and promoting professional development!



**Pictured: Fourth grader, Gerald Merisier, experiences, first hand, the work of a healthcare technician.**



**Pictured: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students learn what it's really like to be a pilot!**

Thirteen agencies participated in the event with a total of seventeen presenters. The focus included education, health & wellness, engineering, technology, aviation, marketing and event planning, travel and entertainment, broadcasting, municipal government, public safety and law enforcement. Each presenter provided a description of their occupation, the vital role they play and the necessary education/training to fill their roles. They also provide information on how their business/workplace serves the community.

Presentations took place in the classroom for students in pre-K through grade 2. A Career Fair styled presentation and panel discussion took place in the school's multipurpose room for students in grades 3-7. Mrs. Quiyon N. Peters, School Counselor, facilitated the event.



**Pictured: First Grade students listen intently to some exciting careers! The Mayor of Orange was in attendance!**

*Submitted by Christina Rivera, Library Media Specialist*



## Lincoln Avenue School Supports National Autism Day



April 2, 2014 was the 7th annual World Autism Awareness Day. Every year, autism organizations around the world

celebrate the day with unique fundraising and awareness-raising events.



Lincoln Avenue staff (shown above and left) helped to raise awareness by sporting their "Transform a Life" T-shirts. The beautiful butterfly with the awareness puzzle pieces prompted many questions and allotted "teachable" moments. Lincoln's students were curious and the staff was more than happy to provide answers.

*Submitted by Tamica Jones, LAS Reading Resource teacher*



## Spring Registration Dates Set for Preschool

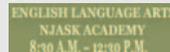
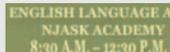
**Preschool Registration**



Preschool registration has been scheduled for: Tuesdays, April 15 and 29 and May 6 and 13, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 PM with the last sign-in at 12:30 PM. Registration takes place at Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue in Orange. See flyer below.

## Calendar of Events

# April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Forest Street Board Lobby Art Reception, 6 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal  Saturday Arts Academy 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 'Mathquest' <b>Postponed</b> New date TBD	<b>8</b> Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 PM OPA Auditorium	<b>9</b> Community Room Breakfast Series, RPCS 9 – 10:30 AM  Week of the Young Child, OECC, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.	<b>10</b>  Marking Period 3 Ends	<b>11</b>  Marking Period 4 Begins	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Parent Conference Grades 8-12, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM  April 14 - 22	<b>15</b> Grades 8-12 12:30 PM Dismissal – Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM	<b>16</b> Parent Conference Grades Pre-K-7, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM	<b>17</b> Grades Pre-K-7 12:30 PM Dismissal - Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM	<b>18</b> Good Friday  Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> Easter Sunday 	<b>21</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>22</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>23</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>24</b> Spring Recess District Closed 	<b>25</b> Spring Recess District Closed 	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Orange Dance Conservatory 3rd Annual Festival, 10:00 AM	<b>28</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  Departmental Meetings 2:30 PM Dismissal for Students  TryMathlon Grades 1-3	<b>29</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics	<b>30</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  <b>Follow the Reader – District Book Challenge database closes!</b>			

### For Additional Events and Activities:

- See flyers below for coming attractions and visit the district's website at [www.orange.k12.nj.us](http://www.orange.k12.nj.us)
- For Orange High School Athletic events visit: [Tornadoes In Action](#), on the Orange High School website.
- For District Academic Competitions visit the: [Academic Competition Experience webpage](#) on the district website.



**Please Join Us for the  
Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room  
Family Breakfast Seminar Series**



**Time: 9:00am – 10:30am (doors open at 8:30am)**

(Information to help you and your child succeed. Breakfast will be served.)

**Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>** Resumes/ Cover letters and Interviewing Skills  
Glenn Best – Director of Business Development  
Urban League of Essex County

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**Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>** How to Help Your Child Prepare for Standardized Tests  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>** Child Advocacy and School Culture  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>** Social Services  
TBD

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**Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>** Training on Bullying  
Ms. Murphy Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>** Supporting Student Learning Over the summer  
TBD

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**Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>** Community Room Celebration

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**DATE TBD** Understanding Core Curriculum & Homework/Study Help  
TBD

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Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room Location:  
33 Cleveland Street  
Orange, NJ 07050

Contact Person: Kory M. Saunders  
Site Coordinator  
973-677-4515 or 973-985-9166  
Saundeko@mail.orange.k12.nj.us



# Orange HS Spirit Wear 2014

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Organization Code

03/31/2014 - 04/04/2014

Available

Orders will ship and deliver within 3-4 weeks of END DATE pending product availability.

<p><b>A</b>      <b>\$25.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Women's Legend Dri-Fit S/S Tee</p>	<p><b>B</b>      <b>\$15.00</b></p>  <p>Nike L/S Camp Tee</p>	<p><b>C</b>      <b>\$50.00</b></p>  <p>Nike LS 1/4 Zip Jacket</p>	<p><b>D</b>      <b>\$24.00</b></p>  <p>Lids Hoody Sweatshirt</p>
<p><b>E</b>      <b>\$22.00</b></p>  <p>Impact Open Bottom Sweatpant</p>	<p><b>F</b>      <b>\$38.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Fleece Hoody</p>	<p><b>G</b>      <b>\$45.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Tech Fleece Hoody</p>	<p><b>H</b>      <b>\$30.00</b></p>  <p>Tech Fleece Pant</p>
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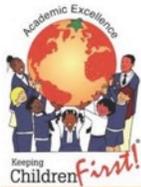
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  - STEP 2: Click on "Flash Stores"
  - STEP 3: Type in the organization code (listed on top of the instruction sheet) and click "Submit Code"
  - STEP 4: Select team merchandise and add to shopping cart.
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- \*PLEASE NOTE - Orders must be completed on or before the End Date listed.

Flash Store ID:30250

E-MAIL QUESTIONS TO: [ContactLTS@lids.com](mailto:ContactLTS@lids.com)





## SPRING BREAK ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS NJASK ACADEMY

APRIL 22, 23, 24 2014 – 8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.



Open to students in Grades 3-8

### Why Your Child Should Attend

- **FREE to the Public**
- **Fun-filled, structured, supervised activities**
- **Test taking strategies**
- **Snacks provided**
- **NJASK BEGINS APRIL 28**



### How to Register Your Child

Complete and return this form to the main office at your school by April 11, 2014

Space is limited....register early!

**Program location: Lincoln Avenue School - 8:30-12:30**

Parent name \_\_\_\_\_ Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person/Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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ORANGE CARPET DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014

FEATURING

MOTHERS / SONS  
FATHERS / DAUGHTERS  
LEGAL GUARDIANS

REFRESHMENTS WILL  
BE SERVED

Park Avenue School  
231 Park Ave.  
Orange, NJ 07050  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

KING & QUEEN  
WILL BE  
CHOSEN

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>  
with attendees name & phone number  
[sjonesgraves@yahoo.com](mailto:sjonesgraves@yahoo.com)  
[shaece111@aol.com](mailto:shaece111@aol.com)  
Contact number: 862-216-0875



FORMAL ATTIRE





ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Administration Building  
451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050  
Tel: (973) 677-4015  
Website: <http://www.orange.k12.nj.us>

Mr. Ronald C. Lee  
Superintendent of Schools  
Jacquelyn Blanton  
Supervisor of Early Childhood

Candace Goldstein  
Director of Special Programs

## REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

### REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable) deben ser actual.**
- **SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRATO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**

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**Mayo 2014 Martes 6 y 13.**

**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

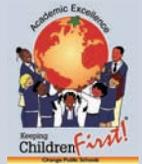
**Tiene que firmar antes de las 12:30 p.m.**

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050  
(973) 677-4500 ext 1904**

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# OBOE-Mail Blast



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## Rosa Parks Community School Wins District History Bee



The Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) team (shown left) was victorious in the Second Annual District History Bee competition held on March 31 at Lincoln Avenue School. The team won against

strong challengers from Park Avenue School and Heywood Avenue School, in the final round. The winning team members were Schundnax Emmanuel, 7th grade, Aminah Young, 4th grade, Francisco Chavez, 7th grade, Loodmy Altema, 6th grade and Karl Kanhai, 5th grade.

Students competed as a team, in two rounds, one for American History and another for World History. The school scores from rounds one and two determined which three schools advanced to the final round. Oakwood Avenue, Lincoln Avenue and Forest Street Schools were eliminated, after an enthusiastic effort to be one of the three finalists.

The game show style format made it fun and exciting for students, as well as the audience. The structure of the questions was a list of clues and the teams "buzzed-in" when they knew the answer. Only one team was able to answer each question. Teams were assessed points for correct answers and points were deducted for incorrect responses.



**Pictured: RPCS team with staff, friends and family.**

There were a few format changes, as the game progressed to optimize the challenge. The event host, Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, made the competition more interactive by involving the audience.



**Pictured (left to right): Park Avenue School, Heywood Avenue School and RPCS contestants.**

The winning teams received trophies (one for each team member) and the first, second, and third ranked school earned "curriculum cash" for the interdisciplinary support of the Common Core standards in English Language Arts.



**Pictured: Second Place winners, Park Avenue School.**



**Pictured: Third Place winners, Heywood Avenue School.**

Assisting with the program were Supervisor of Social Studies, Ms. Linda Epps, Oakwood Avenue Principal, Mr. Robert Pettit, and Cleveland Street teacher, Ms. Stacy Estrada. Ms. Erica Stewart, Administrator for Special Projects, who planned the competition, thanks the participating history teachers and other staff members for their support.



## Week of the Young Child

The Orange Early Childhood Center (OECC) will celebrate the *Week of the Young Child* throughout the district, from April 6 to April 12, 2014.



The OECC will host a Parent Night on Wednesday, April 9, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., at 397 Park Avenue in Orange. See flyer below.



## "GREASE"



**Pictured: Cast and Crew of "Grease", by Peter Crosta.**

The musical production of "Grease", presented by the Visual and Performing Arts Department of Orange High School (OHS), in association with Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA), was a huge success for the cast and crew. They are all congratulated and commended for their hard work and talent. The production, which enjoyed record audience attendance, took place from March 27 – 29 at the Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium. The actors, several in their first stage production, gave impressive performances, in this school version of the Broadway musical by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey. Prior to the production, the director of "Grease", Dana Levin, drama instructor at Orange High School, stated, "This is a show designed to make you smile and laugh and relive high school days." The play did just that, as the actors reprised the 1950s high school culture and teenage angst. "Grease" came alive with upbeat rock and roll songs, iconic characters and energetic dance routines, amidst a creative set design, with the classic "Grease Lightning" car on stage.

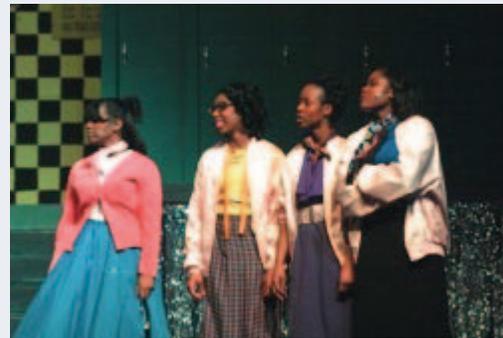
"Grease", set in 1959 at the fictional Rydell High School, tells a timeless teenage love story between the lead characters, Danny Zuko, played by Emilio Del Villar, and Sandy Dumbrowski, played by Tarrayah McGill. The story follows the two from heartbreak to happy ending, supported by the "Pink Ladies" including the spunky Rizzo played by Alaya Montgomery and Frenchy played by Agnes Gboyah, along with the "Burger Palace Boys". The "Boys" were clad in leather jackets and led by Kenickie, played by Jean Fleurentin and Doody, played by Christopher Adrien, who made his theatrical debut.

**For pictures taken by Mr. Peter Crosta, [click here.](#)**

Also making stage debuts were Marlena Brown playing Marty, Bashli Clary playing Johnny Casino, Reginald Miles playing Roger, Salomon Philippe, who was Sonny and Christian Wells playing Vince Fontaine. Other cast members included seasoned Orange High School performers: William Collins playing class valedictorian Eugene, Lisa Marie Dawkins portraying Jan, Gilda Nicolas sang "Beauty School Dropout" as the "Teen Angel", Jamillah Williams was perky cheerleader Patty Simcox, Startasia Wright was English teacher, Miss Lynch and dancer Ruchama Son was the energetic Cha Cha DiGregorio. They all performed well with a skilled ensemble cast, singing and dancing to recognizable tunes such as "Summer Nights", "Greased Lightning" and "We Go Together".

Along with Director, Dana Levin, the production team included Set Construction and Technical Director, Tammy Baldwin, OPA health/PE instructor and stage crew advisor, Costumes, Make-up, and Set Designer, Megan Guerriero, OHS art instructor and Production Manager, Rosa Lazzizzera, OPA library media specialist. Janelle L. Kennedy, Lincoln Avenue School art instructor, was the Assistant Director, David C. Milnes, OHS choral director, was the Musical Director and Tosha M. Brown, OHS dance director, was the Choreographer. Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Peter Crosta, supported the event.

Students from the Career and Innovation Academy of Orange, under the direction of Randy Daniel, woodshop teacher, were credited with custom building props for the production. They are Darius Moses, Michael Nieves, Amir Robinson and Jerrel Tucker.



"Grease" was strongly attended by friends and family, district staff, students, city officials and community members joining to support

Orange students. Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, was present for opening night. He stated, "I applaud the cast and crew for a professional presentation. I was very impressed with the talent exhibited, the costumes, props and set design. The students and production team did a wonderful job."



**Pictured: Scenes from Grease.**



## **“Bank on It”, Orange Scholars Academy Math Students Learn Financial Literacy**

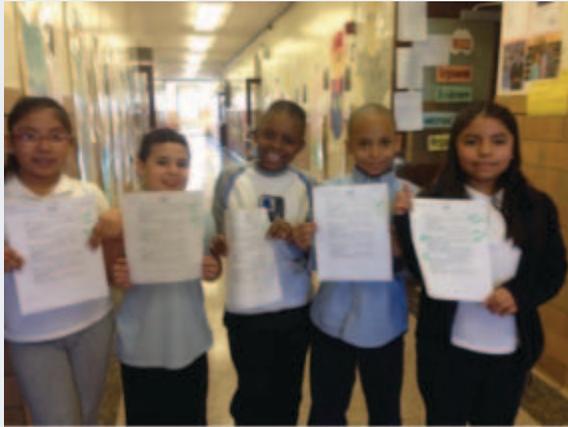
April is Financial Literacy Month, and students in Mrs. Shannon Keogh’s Mathematics Core, at Scholars Academy, are embarking on a new adventure in financial management!

The Financial Literacy unit is designed to give students life-long money management skills. The comprehensive collection of lessons covers topics on everything from setting goals, budgeting and purchase planning, protecting credit and identity, savings, investing and financial planning.

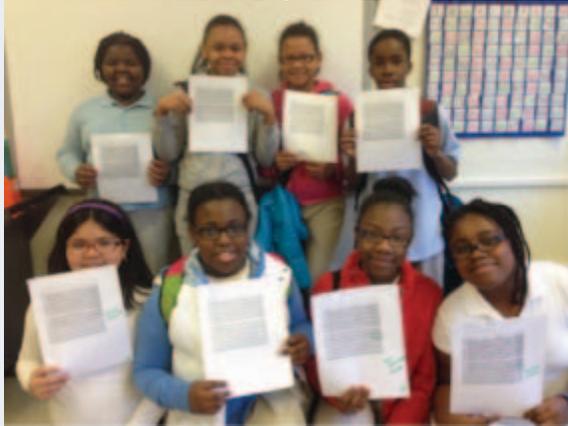
Lesson plans are designed to engage students with real-world scenarios students will find relevant to their own lives. Learning activities encourage inquiry and augment understanding through problem solving, research, discussion and collaborative activities.

Students in grades 3 through 5 are generating “Allowance and Spending Plans”, “Money Responsibility”, “Saving and Investing”, as well as “Comparison Shopping”. Students will visit a local bank and have the opportunity to tour the facility, as well as participate in a Q&A with the branch manager.

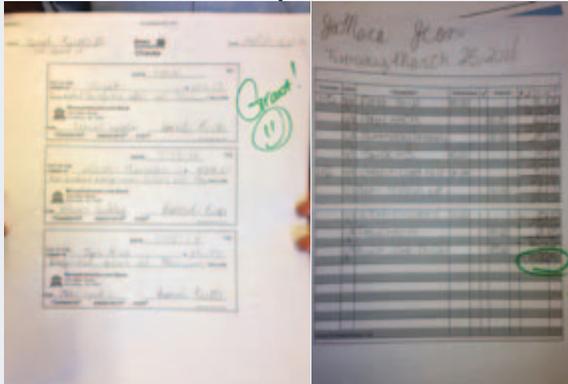
Sixth through 8th grade students are learning the “Art of Budgeting”, as well as making responsible financial decisions. A full, hands-on investigation into the world of credit, credit cards, interest rates, loans and various other banking services is taking place. Students are also playing the Stock Market Game and learning the tools required to become a sophisticated trader.



**Pictured: Financial Literacy students show their work.**



**Pictured: Financial Literacy students show their work.**



**Pictured: Sample Financial Literacy work.**

*Submitted by: Shannon Keogh, Math teacher, Scholars Academy*



## Orange Gear, Sale Extended Through April 16



If you are looking for Orange Gear, the online store has re-opened once again. You must buy quickly, as the store only remains open for two weeks and then will begin processing the orders.

However, to accommodate demand, the store has been extended 2 weeks and will close **4/16/14**. To order visit: <http://team-shop.lidsteamsports.com/form/show/orghsspirit2014>

Any recommendations for different apparel will greatly be appreciated. (See flyer below)



## Cleveland Street School Benefits from Nurse Pantry Program

The South Orange Patch, an online community publication, has highlighted the "Nurse Pantry Program" of the Junior League of the Oranges and Short Hills (JLOSH), which has provided elementary school children in Orange with "wellness essentials", as detailed in a feature article.

The story mentions that, to date, four pantries have been installed in Orange, serving approximately 1400 elementary students across the district schools. The pantry provided "hundreds of winter necessities, dental supplies, toiletries, uniforms, undergarments and hygiene supplies." [To read more, click here.](#)

To learn more about JLOSH, visit [www.jlosh.org](http://www.jlosh.org).



**Pictured: Sumukha Ravishankar, Maggie Franklin, Lynn Jacobs, School Nurse of Cleveland Street Elementary, Laurie Guinoo, Meredith Amico, Christine Cofer (Photo from South Orange Patch)**



## Family Breakfast Seminar Series

The Family Breakfast Series in the Community Room of Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) had its second seminar on March 26, from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m., in the Community Room. Mrs. Natasha Murphy, School Guidance Counselor at RPCS presented a seminar entitled "How to Help Your Child Prepare for Standardized Tests." During this seminar, Mrs. Murphy explained the importance of the parental role in ensuring the success of a student's academic career. A list of educational websites and how to utilize the district website was reviewed with the parents.

Education, Environment and Community Outreach (EECO) AmeriCorps Members, Daphkar Lahens and Community School Site Coordinator, Kory M. Saunders were on hand to translate the presentations in Creole and Spanish for some of the participants.



The next Community Room Breakfast Series will be held on Wednesday, April 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., in the RPCS Community Room, regarding "Child Advocacy and School Culture".



**Pictured(above and left): Breakfast Seminar.**

*Submitted by: Natasha Murphy M.A.Eds, School Counselor, RPCS, Grades 4-7*



## Spring Registration Dates Set for Preschool

### Preschool Registration



Submitted by: Carol Daly, OECC School Counselor

Preschool registration has been scheduled for: **April 2014**, on Tuesdays - 8th, 15th and 29th. **May 2014**, on Tuesdays - 6th and 13th, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., with the last sign-in at 12:30 PM. Registration takes place at:

Orange Early Childhood Center  
397 Park Avenue  
Orange, NJ 07050

For more information call 973-677-4500 ext. 1904 or ext. 1918. See flyer below.



## Montclair State University School of Conservation Visits RPCS



On March 31, in collaboration with the Community School Initiative, ECCO AmeriCorps Members Stephanie Sherman, George Johnson, and Emily Bonder of Montclair State University's School

of Conservation did in-class presentations for all of the Kindergarten classes at Rosa Parks Community School.

The Kindergarten classes are currently learning about Animals Two by Two, so the presentations on birds were in-line with their current curriculum. The School of Conservation ECCO AmeriCorps Members discussed bird adaptations, what makes a bird a bird and how birds survive. Stephanie, George and Emily also brought preserved bird specimens and nests for the children to see. They played various bird sounds so the students could learn the difference between the sounds of different bird species, as well.



**Pictured (left and above): "Two by Two" presentation to students.**

The students were engaged and the teachers also enjoyed the presentations. The ECCO AmeriCorps Members of Montclair State University will be returning to Rosa Parks Community School on Tuesday April 29 to do in class presentations on plants for all of the first grade classes.

Submitted By: Kory M. Saunders, Community School Site coordinator



## Lincoln Avenue Students Perform at Annual "Kids In Concert"



**Pictured: Lincoln Avenue Guitar Ensemble at KIC.**

On March 28, 2014, the Education Law Center held its annual Kids in Concert (KIC) event, at Long Branch High School. In its sixteenth year, KIC was a first time concert experience for Lincoln Avenue School's Guitar Ensemble, led by Ms. Marianne Mroz, music educator. The ensemble (shown left) played, "Country Roads, Take Me Home", to correspond with the theme of this year's show, "The Laws of Motion." The students played on instruments made possible by ["Little Kids Rock"](#). Also performing with the students was teacher, Mr. Alex Blitz.

Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta, was present to support the students and take photos of the event. "Congratulations to Marianne Mroz and her guitar ensemble," he said, "They accomplished an outstanding performance and were a big hit on the stage!"



**Pictured: Lincoln Avenue Guitar Ensemble at KIC. Photos by Mr. Peter Crosta.**



## **Forest Street School Art Opening at the Board of Education**

On April 3, Forest Street School held their Board of Education Art Opening to acknowledge the artwork of talented students. The work was a representation of a variety of styles by art masters, such as Pablo Picasso, Joan Miro, Paul Klee and Wassily Kandinsky.

Students were proud to show their work to family members, teachers and other students there to view the exhibit.

Assistant Principal, Dr. John Young and Avril Bogle, Forest Street's art educator, congratulated the students, along with Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee and Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta.



**Pictured: Group picture of Forest Street artists with their certificates.**

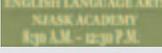
Students were presented with certificates for their work. The exhibit will be on display at the Board of Education building for the remainder of the month and visitors are invited to see the display during normal business hours, 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



**Pictured (left and above): Scenes from Forest Street School's Art Opening. (Bottom left) Dr. Young greeting attendees; (right) Ms. Bogle presenting certificate to student.**

## Calendar of Events

# April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Forest Street Board Lobby Art Reception, 6 PM	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal  Saturday Arts Academy 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 'Mathquest' <b>Postponed</b> New date TBD	<b>8</b> Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 PM OPA Auditorium	<b>9</b> Community Room Breakfast Series, RPCS 9 – 10:30 AM  Week of the Young Child, OECC, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.	<b>10</b>  Marking Period 3 Ends	<b>11</b>  Marking Period 4 Begins	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Parent Conference Grades 8-12, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM   April 14 - 22	<b>15</b> Grades 8-12 12:30 PM Dismissal – Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM	<b>16</b> Parent Conference Grades Pre-K-7, 6:00 PM—8:00 PM	<b>17</b> Grades Pre-K-7 12:30 PM Dismissal - Parent Conference 1:15 PM— 4:00 PM	<b>18</b> Good Friday  Make-up School Day for staff and students 12:30 PM dismissal	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> Easter Sunday  	<b>21</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>22</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>23</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>24</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>25</b> Spring Recess District Closed  	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Orange Dance Conservatory 3rd Annual Festival, 10:00 AM	<b>28</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  Departmental Meetings 2:30 PM Dismissal for Students  TryMathlon Grades 1-3	<b>29</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics	<b>30</b> NJASK Grade 7&8 Language Arts and Mathematics  <b>Follow the Reader – District Book Challenge database closes!</b>			

### For Additional Events and Activities:

- See flyers below for coming attractions and visit the district's website at [www.orange.k12.nj.us](http://www.orange.k12.nj.us)
- For Orange High School Athletic events visit: [Tornadoes In Action](#), on the Orange High School website.
- For District Academic Competitions visit the: [Academic Competition Experience webpage](#) on the district website.

**ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD  
DEPARTMENT**  
*presents*



**PARENT NIGHT at  
Orange Early Childhood Center  
397 Park Ave  
April 9, 2014  
3:30pm. -5:30pm.**



**NUTRITION AND WELLNESS  
SEMINAR**



**BASKET  
RAFFLES**





**Please Join Us for the  
Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room  
Family Breakfast Seminar Series**



**Time: 9:00am – 10:30am (doors open at 8:30am)**

(Information to help you and your child succeed. Breakfast will be served.)

**Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>** Resumes/ Cover letters and Interviewing Skills  
Glenn Best – Director of Business Development  
Urban League of Essex County

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**Wednesday March 26<sup>th</sup>** How to Help Your Child Prepare for Standardized Tests  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>** Child Advocacy and School Culture  
Ms. Murphy – Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>** Social Services  
TBD

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**Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup>** Training on Bullying  
Ms. Murphy Guidance Counselor  
Rosa Parks Community School

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**Wednesday June 4<sup>th</sup>** Supporting Student Learning Over the summer  
TBD

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**Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup>** Community Room Celebration

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**DATE TBD** Understanding Core Curriculum & Homework/Study Help  
TBD

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Rosa Parks Community School  
Community Room Location:  
33 Cleveland Street  
Orange, NJ 07050

Contact Person: Kory M. Saunders  
Site Coordinator  
973-677-4515 or 973-985-9166  
Saundeko@mail.orange.k12.nj.us



# Orange HS Spirit Wear 2014

ORGHSSPIRIT2014

Organization Code

03/31/2014 - 04/04/2014

Available

Orders will ship and deliver within 3-4 weeks of END DATE pending product availability.

<p><b>A</b>      <b>\$25.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Women's Legend Dri-Fit S/S Tee</p>	<p><b>B</b>      <b>\$15.00</b></p>  <p>Nike L/S Camp Tee</p>	<p><b>C</b>      <b>\$50.00</b></p>  <p>Nike LS 1/4 Zip Jacket</p>	<p><b>D</b>      <b>\$24.00</b></p>  <p>Lids Hoody Sweatshirt</p>
<p><b>E</b>      <b>\$22.00</b></p>  <p>Impact Open Bottom Sweatpant</p>	<p><b>F</b>      <b>\$38.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Fleece Hoody</p>	<p><b>G</b>      <b>\$45.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Tech Fleece Hoody</p>	<p><b>H</b>      <b>\$30.00</b></p>  <p>Tech Fleece Pant</p>
<p><b>I</b>      <b>\$25.00</b></p>  <p>Nike Fly Shorts</p>			

**IT'S TIME TO GET YOUR GEAR.**  
Here's how:

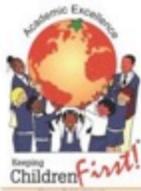
### ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

- STEP 1: Go to [lidsteamsports.com](http://lidsteamsports.com) on or after the start date listed above.
  - STEP 2: Click on "Flash Stores"
  - STEP 3: Type in the organization code (listed on top of the instruction sheet) and click "Submit Code"
  - STEP 4: Select team merchandise and add to shopping cart.
  - STEP 5: Once shopping is complete, click on "Checkout" and either register as a new customer or log in with previously registered information.
- \*PLEASE NOTE - Orders must be completed on or before the End Date listed.

Flash Store ID:30250

E-MAIL QUESTIONS TO: [ContactLTS@lids.com](mailto:ContactLTS@lids.com)





## SPRING BREAK ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS NJASK ACADEMY

APRIL 22, 23, 24 2014 – 8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.



Open to students in Grades 3-8

### Why Your Child Should Attend

- **FREE to the Public**
- **Fun-filled, structured, supervised activities**
- **Test taking strategies**
- **Snacks provided**
- **NJASK BEGINS APRIL 28**



### How to Register Your Child

Complete and return this form to the main office at your school by April 11, 2014

Space is limited....register early!

**Program location: Lincoln Avenue School - 8:30-12:30**

Parent name \_\_\_\_\_ Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person/Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

NOT ORANGE & PARK AVE. SCHOOL



AN ALL STAR  
ORANGE CARPET DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014

FEATURING

MOTHERS / SONS  
FATHERS / DAUGHTERS  
LEGAL GUARDIANS

REFRESHMENTS WILL  
BE SERVED

Park Avenue School  
231 Park Ave.  
Orange, NJ 07050  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm

KING & QUEEN  
WILL BE  
CHOSEN

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 17<sup>th</sup>  
with attendees name & phone number  
[sjonesgraves@yahoo.com](mailto:sjonesgraves@yahoo.com)  
[shaece111@aol.com](mailto:shaece111@aol.com)  
Contact number: 862-216-0875



FORMAL ATTIRE





ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Administration Building  
451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050  
Tel: (973) 677-4015  
Website: <http://www.orange.k12.nj.us>

Mr. Ronald C. Lee  
Superintendent of Schools  
Jacquelyn Blanton  
Supervisor of Early Childhood

Candace Goldstein  
Director of Special Programs

## REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

### REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14
- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable) deben ser actual.**
- **SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRATO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**

**REGISTRACIÓN: Abril 2014 Martes 1, 8, 15, y 29.**

**Mayo 2014 Martes 6 y 13.**

**10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**Tiene que firmar antes de las 12:30 p.m.**

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050  
(973) 677-4500 ext 1904**

**SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESARROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.**