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- **Monday, June 12 (New Date), Orange High School and Orange Preparatory Academy Dance Showcase, 6:00 p.m., at Orange Prep Academy (See flyer below)**
- **Tuesday, June 13, Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Orange Preparatory Academy**
- **Wednesday, June 14, Orange District Retirees/25 Year Employee Recognition Celebration, 4:00 p.m., Libretti's, 554 Nassau Street, Orange, \$35 per person (See flyer below)**
- **Wednesday, June 14, Rosa Parks Community School Spring Concert, 6:00 p.m., Central Auditorium**

Orange Public Schools Recognized as a Common Sense Certified District: Digital Citizenship



**common
sense
education™**

**Certified Educator
Digital Citizenship
2016-2017**

Common Sense, the national nonprofit organization dedicated to helping kids and families thrive in a world of digital media and technology, has recognized

the Orange Public School District as a Common Sense Certified District: Digital Citizenship.

The Orange Public School District has demonstrated its commitment to taking a whole-community approach to preparing its students to use the immense power of digital media to explore, create, connect, and learn, while limiting the perils that exist in the online realm, such as plagiarism, loss of privacy, and cyberbullying.

"We applaud the faculty and staff of the Orange Public Schools for embracing digital citizenship as an important part of their students' education," said Jessica Lindl, Head of Common Sense Education. "Orange Public Schools deserves high praise for giving its students the foundational skills they need to compete and succeed in the 21st century workplace and participate ethically in society at large."

Orange Public Schools have been using Common Sense Education's innovative and research-based digital citizenship resources, which were created in collaboration with Dr. Howard Gardner of the GoodPlay Project at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. The resources teach students, educators, and parents tangible skills related to Internet safety, protecting online reputations and personal privacy, managing online relationships, and respecting creative copyright. The free resources are currently used in more than 90,000 classrooms nationwide.

"We're honored to be recognized as a Common Sense Digital Citizenship Certified School," said Deputy Superintendent Dr. Paula Howard. "By preparing our students to use technology safely and responsibly, we are providing them unlimited opportunities to maximize and personalize their learning."

To learn more about the criteria Orange Public Schools met to become certified as a Common Sense Certified District, visit <http://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/certification>.

Haitian Flag Day Celebration at Orange Preparatory Academy

Submitted by Ms. Stephanie Desanges, Site Coordinator, Orange Preparatory Academy

On May 18 Orange Preparatory Academy honored the many Haitian students and families in the Orange Community. May 18, historically known as Haitian Flag Day was celebrated by the students, friends, staff and community partners in a school wide assembly where they entertained with traditional and folklore dancing, music and most importantly, valuable information on Haitian history and culture. Information included the historical facts about Haiti and its people, origin and distinction of Haitian-Creole and French and popular Haitian celebrities.

In preparation for the May 18 program, students from Orange Prep and Orange High School's Haitian Girls Club met weekly as to execute a historical song and a poem written by the members.



Pictured: Haitian Flag Day celebration at Orange Prep Academy.

Haitian Flag Day is extremely important in the Haitian culture so the students looked forward to May 18 since the start of the school year. The girls worked together for weeks to make this a memorable performance. To add to the excitement, during the evening celebration for parents, community partners and other students, they sang a very special traditional song from Haiti. As Haitian natives they took great pride in working on this presentation.

That evening, guests enjoyed traditional music, authentic Haitian cuisine and colorful decorations, as they mingled at the celebration. Parents and local organizations such as the World Wide Orphans (WWO), a New York/New Jersey based 501(c)(3) international nongovernmental organization (INGO) headquartered in Maplewood that works with students and families in Orange, joined with the OPA Community Room to provide food, t-shirts and support for the event.



Pictured: Haitian Flag Day celebration at Orange Prep Academy.

Students enjoyed the entertaining history lesson, as many of their peers, neighbors, teachers and support are of Haitian decent. It is important to respect and celebrate not just the Haitian culture but all the different cultures in the Orange community. The Haitian Flag Day Program was the start of understanding and embracing history and how it connects to modern today's society.



Pictured (above): Haitian Flag Day celebration at Orange Prep Academy.

Beside the Flag Day celebration, the month of May is Haitian Heritage Month. The period honors a number of significant historical and cultural traditions that Haitians are proud to recognize to and to pass on to future generations.

Ms. Stephanie Desanges, Community School Site Coordinator who helped to organize the event, stated, "History can sometimes not seem relevant to our life because it happened so long ago. We hope the facts helped clarify some common misconceptions people tend to have about Haiti."

"Our hope was to educate, bring awareness and celebrate the Haitian heritage and culture of our students and the Orange community." Ms. Stephanie Desanges

"We (OPA Community Room and OPA staff, The Space at OHS, EECO AmeriCorps) worked together to educate and celebrate our students and families and succeeded. Happy Haitian Flag Day!"

Heywood Avenue School Multicultural Day Program

Submitted by Ms. Faith Alcantara, Principal, Heywood Avenue School

Heywood held its Multicultural Day Program on June 2. The theme was "Diversity is our Strength." Many students participated in the assembly, with a special dance performance focused on Indian and Soca music by Heywood's staff.

All classes, grades K - 7, studied one country. The countries selected were among those who the USA has welcomed the most immigrants from over the past 40 years; they are: Portugal, France, Haiti, Egypt, Jamaica, Dominican Republic, Nigeria, Colombia, Ireland, Russia, Italy, Germany, Korea, India, China, England, Mexico, Phillipines, Canada and Cuba.

Students and their teachers conducted interdisciplinary research on their selected countries and created projects detailing important facts and information about their country. Two essential questions that all students needed to research and provide information on were: Why do people immigrate from their country to the USA? How are schools in their country similar and different than their own here in the USA?



Pictured: Scenes from Heywood Multicultural Day.

In the morning, students used their "passports" to visit classrooms where their passports were stamped allowing them entry to visit and learn about each country. While there, students presented their research using display boards, Google Slides presentations, Google Sites and Google Maps resources, Facebook created pages and a multitude of other interesting ways to display and discuss what they learned about their country of study. In some classes, they listened and danced to music and sampled food items native to their country.

Heywood thanks all of our parents who assisted the children with their projects, brought food in, and volunteered in their child's classroom to assist with the festivities.

Through their individual studies and this day's culminating event, our students have a greater understanding and appreciation of the DIVERSITY that makes our country GREAT!



Pictured: Scenes from Heywood Multicultural Day.



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Middle School Mathematics Olympics



The winners of the 2017 Middle School Mathematics Olympics were announced to the district by Dr. Tina Powell, Director of Mathematics and Science, after a daylong academic competition at Montclair State

University (MSU) on May 25. The participants, Grade 6 and 7 students, representing each of the District's elementary schools, along with their coaches and chaperones attended the competition supported by Dr. Erin Krupa, from MSU's College of Science and Mathematics and graduate students.

The second annual event involved a three part competition involved several elimination rounds, organized by grade level. First was the Written Round, where teams were given an allotted time to solve several equations. The sheets were scored and teams were selected for the Buzzer Round where they had to buzz-in with answers to complex word problems and mathematical equations. The final round was a Video Round which pitted the two top teams for each grade against each other to solve math problems presented in a video created by Math Adventure. The format was interactive and allowed the other team of students to participate.



Pictured (above and left): Scenes from the Middle School Mathematics Olympics.



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The day culminated with an awards presentation for the top teams, by Dr. Powell and her staff. The winners were:

| Grade 6 | Grade 7 |
|---|---|
| 1st Place-Park Avenue Elementary School • Tamyla Rumble • Autumn Tarver • Caleb Osario • Kelly Miller • Amylah Stevenson | 1st Place-Rosa Parks Community School • Dylan Jones • Guadalupe Aguilar Jimenez • Berlinski Israel • Ericka Cabrera • Michelle Carrera |
| Coach: Maria Beaghen | Coach: Lilly Marino |
| 2nd Place-Heywood Avenue School | 2nd Place-Forest Street School |
| 3rd Place-Lincoln Avenue School | 3rd Place-Heywood Avenue School |

The Stock Market Game, Across the Globe

Submitted by Mrs. Shannon Keogh, Mathematics Teacher, Scholars Academy

Mrs. Keogh's 7th and 8th grade Math Core students played the Stock Market Game at Scholars Academy this Spring. They completed a project called *Across the Globe*, as part of the Stock Market Game curriculum. This project introduced students to the concept of globalization through a series of activities on issues related to outsourcing of labor, currency exchange, free trade organizations like the World Trade Organization (WTO) and trade agreements like the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Students were given opportunities to connect these issues to their decision-making process in The Stock Market Game.

Students began the project looking at Currency Exchanges. They demonstrated an ability to read a currency exchange chart, compute currency exchanges, and finally calculate the value of their Stock Market Game portfolio into three (3) different currencies.



Picture: Scholars Academy students play the Stock Market Game.

The final authentic assessment had students demonstrate their understanding of globalized markets by having a formal debate on the issue of outsourcing and its impact. Students were evaluated on their level of research evident in speeches and questions; quality and quantity of relevant arguments throughout the Debate, effectiveness of speaking skills, and overall impact of the debate.



Picture: Scholars Academy students play the Stock Market Game.



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UGOTBRAINS Ceremony

Submitted by Ms. Denise DePalma, Health Science teacher/HOSA Advisor, Orange High School



The Health Science/HOSA students (**pictured left**) participated in the UGOTBRAINS Ceremony on May 25, at Great Adventure. Throughout the school year the Health Science / HOSA students participated in a campaign to encourage peers, staff and the community to avoid distracted walking and driving by putting down their cellphones. The group made

posters, designed a T-shirt and solicited pledge signatures. In appreciation of the teams efforts, they were invited by the NJ Brain Injury Alliance to participate in the statewide showcase held at Six Flags Great Adventure.



Following the awards and educational presentation the students were all given free passes for a fun-filled afternoon in the park where they enjoyed the wild animal safari along with exciting rides. The program was made possible through a grant that Mrs. DePalma was able to obtain from the NJ Brain Injury Alliance. This is the second year that Orange High School has volunteered its efforts to prevent brain injuries.



Pictured: Health Science/HOSA students' presentation and visit to Six Flags.

Rosa Parks Community School News

Submitted by Tiffany Walker, RPCS Site Coordinator

Rosa Parks Community School Celebrates Literacy Night

On Wednesday, May 24, Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) hosted Literacy Night. This year's theme was "Authors in Training." Students were guided through different activities and had the opportunity to speak with local authors. Each student also received a new grade level appropriate book to take home!



Pictured: Scenes from RPCS's Literacy night.

The Orange community was in full support of the evening's events. The Orange Fire Department, The Orange Police Department, and the Orange Public Library were in attendance and provided giveaways and resources to parents and families. RPCS is proud to continue to promote literacy and provide fun family engagement activities. This year's Literacy Night was led by ELA teacher Lisa Cantazarite and supported by RPCS staff and faculty.



Pictured: Scenes from RPCS's Literacy Night.

Cuts for a Cause, RPCS Students Receive Free Haircuts!

On June 5, Morali Barber House, visited RPCS and gave out free haircuts to the male students. Our male students had the opportunity to speak with the owners of the barber shop and left inspired by their entrepreneurial journey. We are very grateful for the generosity of Morali Barber House, as are our students!

This event was coordinate by RPCS Site Coordinator Tiffany Walker, Assistant Principal Joshua Chuy, and RPCS Guidance Counselor Natasha Murphy.



Pictured: Cuts for a Cause at RPCS.

FYI

Employee Celebration June 14

On Wednesday, June 14, the Orange Public School District, the Orange Education Association and the Orange Administrators and Supervisors Association will celebrate staff members who retired or will be retiring during the 2016-17 school year, as well as, staff members who have dedicated twenty-five years of service to the students in Orange.

You are invited to come out and say thank you for the years of service these staff members have given to the Orange School district and community. The event will take place from 4:00 PM- 8:00 PM at Libretti's, located at 554 Nassau Street in Orange. See flyer below for ticket information.

Retirees:

- Denise Buzar Trott (40 Years), Special Services Department
- Patricia A. Hammond (39 Years), Park Avenue School
- Miriam Mc Coy (39 Years), Park Avenue School
- Perry Cipriano (32 Years), Orange High School
- Benay R. Lipstein (22 Years), Park Avenue School
- Ronald C. Lee (19 Years), Superintendent of Schools
- Sandra Johnson (17 Years), Lincoln Avenue School
- Elizabeth Mohr (16 Years), Orange Preparatory Academy
- Ervenia Benson (15 years), Human Resources Department
- Esther Bauman (14 Years), Orange High School
- Jane Kellner-Weeks (12 Years), Rosa Parks Community School
- Yolanda L. Emen (12 Years, Lincoln Avenue School
- Sharon Cooper (11 Years), Orange High School
- Doris Perez (10 Years), Lincoln Avenue School

Twenty-Five Years of Service:

- Maria Beaghen, Park Avenue
- Lisa Catanzarite, Rosa Parks Community School
- Deidre Dobbs, Superintendent's Office
- Christina Friedberg, Special Services Department
- Denise Harlem, Park Avenue School
- Louise O'Shea, Rosa Parks Community School

Sewing Showcase and Library Grant Celebration at Park Avenue School

On Thursday, June 15, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., the Sewing Club, coordinated by Ms. Vandarra Robbins, will host a showcase displaying the projects completed during the school year. The event will take place in the library and refreshments will be served.

Additionally, to celebrate the \$5,000 library grant awarded to Park Avenue School by the Laura Bush Foundation, there will be a reception, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm, on Friday, June 16 at the school.

June 2017

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 1 | 2  Literacy Block Party, 5 PM, LAS | 3 ESL/Bilingual Fair, 9 AM-12 PM Lincoln Ave. School |
| 4 | 5 Forest Street Spring Arts Festival 6 PM | 6 OHS & OPA Dance Showcase 6PM | 7 OPA BOE Lobby Art Exhibit 6 PM Drama Showcase 7 PM at Luna Stage | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7 PM at Orange Prep | 14  Rosa Parks Spring Arts Festival, 6 PM | 15 OHS/OPA Spring Concert & OPA Art Exhibit, 6 PM at Orange Prep | 16 | 17 |
| 18  | 19 | 20 12:30 PM Dismissal for Students | 21  12:30 PM Dismissal for Students | 22 12:30 PM Dismissal/Last Day of School for Students | 23 12:30 PM Dismissal for 10 Month Staff/ OHS Graduation 6 PM at Essex County College | 24 |
| 25 | 26  | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 |

Check the district [Website calendar](#) for upcoming events.

See Below For Important Flyers

- *Clothing Drive*
- *Dance Creations (Rescheduled for June 12)*
- *Rosa Parks Community School Spring Concert*
- *District Retirement and 25 Year Celebration*
 - *Park's Sewing Showcase*
 - *Park's Grant Celebration*
 - *Summer Sports Academy*
 - *Basketball Sizzle*
 - *City Summer Camp*

Clothing Drive



1. Men Clothing of all sizes: shirts, pants, sleepwear,
2. Women Clothing of all sizes: (shirts, pants, dresses, skirts, sleepwear, unworn undergarments)
3. Children and Juniors Clothing (size 3T-Adult)
4. Shoes/Sneakers:
 - Toddler sizes (3.5- 10)
 - Little kid sizes (10.5 - 3)
 - Big kid sizes (3.5 - 7)
 - Men sizes (6- 16)
 - Women sizes (5- 12)
5. Under garments includes:
 - a. Unworn T-shirts
 - b. Men, Women, and Children's underwear
 - c. Bras
 - d. Socks
6. Toiletries:
 - Deodorants
 - Soaps/Body Wash
 - Lotion
 - Shampoo/Conditioner
 - Combs/Brushes
 - Cotton Balls and Q-Tips
 - Toothbrushes
 - Toothpaste
 - Feminine pads
 - Tampons
 - Razors/Shaving Crème
8. Toys/ Books (English, Spanish, Creole)

ALL DONATIONS CAN BE DROPPED OFF @
OAKWOOD AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY ROOM.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: PLEASE CONTACT ERICKA STEVENSON, SCHOOL COORDINATOR (973) 677-4000
EXT.3620 OR
EMAIL: stevener@orange.k12.nj.us

**The Orange High School and
Orange Preparatory Academy
Dance Department**

Presents



DANCE CREATIONS

Ms. Tosha M. Brown

OHS Choreographer

Mr. Alonzo Hall

OPA Choreographer

June 12 2017 • 6pm

Orange Preparatory Academy

Admission: \$7 Adults | \$5 Students



Rosa
Parks
Community
School
Annual
Spring Concert

June 14, 2017
Auditorium
33 Cleveland St. Orange, NJ
6:00pm

SAVE THE DATE

ORANGE DISTRICT RETIREMENT/25 YEAR EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION CELEBRATION

Wednesday, JUNE 14, 2017

4:00 PM

Libretti's

554 Nassau Street, Orange

\$35.00 Per Person

Retirees to date

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Make checks Payable to: Teachers Recognition Account

Ticket Money Due: June 7, 2017

***See Shana Blair, Ext. 6020-HR, Linda Siddiq, ext. 5077-OEA or
Faith Alcantara, Ext. 2600-OASA***

Park Avenue School Sewing Club Showcase

June 15, 2017

3PM—6 PM

Park Avenue Library

Refreshments will be served



Dr. Myron Hackett, Principal

Devonnii Reid, Vice-Principal

Vandarra Robbins, Coordinator

PARK AVENUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE ONE OF THE TWO SCHOOLS IN
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO RECEIVE THE**

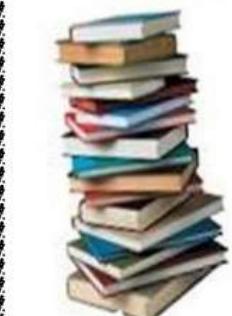
LAURA BUSH FOUNDATION GRANT



Join us as we celebrate

June 16, 2017

9 AM - 12 Noon





Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq.

And The Orange Municipal Council
MOVING ORANGE FORWARD

ORANGE RECREATION SUMMER SPORTS CAMP 2017

The Orange High School Varsity Coaches will conduct a one week camp respective of their sport, providing an opportunity to work with young kids. Campers will learn the game and have fun, while receiving outstanding instruction in the fundamentals of the sport.

Approved by: 7/3/17

Grades:
4th through 8th

Time:
8:30am to 12:30pm

Cost: \$65

Site:
All Activities at Rosa Parks (except where noted)*

Number of participants:
Minimum of 20

Breakfast and Lunch will be served

Week 1 (June 26 – 30)

Coach Jamaal Cooper
Boys Basketball* – At Lincoln Avenue

Girls Basketball – Rosa Parks

Week 5 (July 24 – 28)

Coach Tosha M. Brown
Cheerleaders – Rosa Parks

Week 2 (July 3 – 7)
no camp on July 4

Coach Alphonse
Prophete Boys Soccer* - At Lincoln Avenue

Week 6 (July 31 – Aug. 4)

Coach Akil Boucaud
Track - Rosa Parks

Week 3 (July 10 – 14)

Coach Randy Daniel
Football – Rosa Parks

Week 7 (Aug. 7 - 11)

Coach Peter Naumowicz
Girls Soccer – Rosa Parks
Softball* – At Central from 1pm – 4pm.

Week 4 (July 17 – 21)

Coach Chris Cosmillo
Boys & Girls Volleyball* - At Lincoln
Coach Pia Frazier

To download an application, please go to: www.ci.orange.nj.us

To Register Please Call (973) 266-4045

MAYOR DWAYNE D. WARREN, ESQ
THE ORANGE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
THE DIVISION OF RECREATION
AND THE ORANGE P.A.L.
PRESENTS THE

The **SUMMER SIZZLE** BASKETBALL LEAGUE

BOYS AND GIRLS

7th - 9th And 10th -12th graders

**PAL • Walter G. Ropes • Central Metcalf
Colgate • Washington-Dodd**

You Must Have A
Signed Permission Slip On File
BEFORE JULY 1, 2017 To Participate

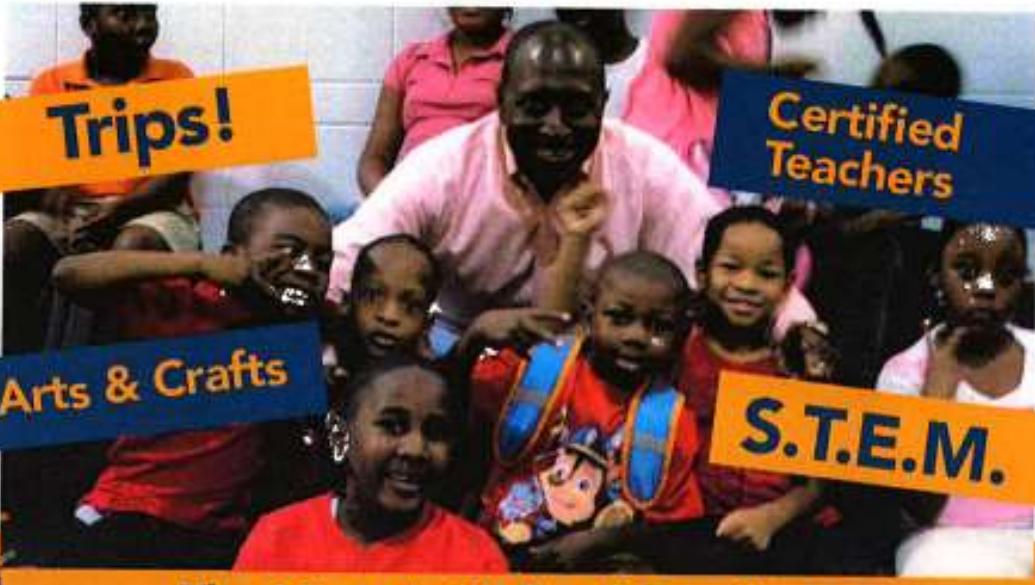
GAMES WILL BE PLAYED 
AT CENTRAL PLAYGROUND BEGINNING AT 5:30PM
For More Information Call Terry Boyd 862-224-2123 or
Recreation Department 973-266-4046

Sparks 5/17/17



Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq.

And The Orange Municipal Council
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The Mayor's Circle of Excellence

SUMMER CAMP

June 26, 2017 – August 4, 2017

Camp Pre-Registration has been extended!

Total cost: \$400.00 (total cost increases to \$450 as of June 12, 2017)

Balance due by June 12, 2017

Call up and sign up for summer camp in Orange! It's quick and easy by phone!

For further information please contact Dr. Robert J. Austin II at 973-266-4004 or Dena Madden at 973-266-4045

For information and updates on this event and other activities in Orange please visit us online at www.ci.orange.nj.us — and like us on Facebook

Join us for the Summer Camp Parent Orientation Overview on June 17, 2017 for students in grades 1st thru 7th

- Light refreshments
- Academic Activities: Art, Technology, Reading and Science, Language Arts

Athletic Activities:
Basketball, Baseball, Cheerleading, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis and more!

Field Trips

Approved 6/21/17