

Sally Ride ES: Explorer Monthly

January 2022 Edition

Upcoming Events:

National Blood Donor Month, National Braille Literacy Month, National Staying Healthy Month and National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

01/1/22 – Happy New Year!

01/03 – No school for students. Teacher Workday/Student Holiday.

01/4 – Welcome back students & families! Today starts the 2nd semester and 3rd marking period.

01/17 – **No School!** Martin Luther King Jr. Day

01/24- 01/28 – Literacy Week Spirit Days! Flyer will be posted on *ClassDojo* with themes.

01/26 – Literacy Day! *Storytime with Orange County Public Library @6pm on Microsoft Teams*



Message from our Math Coach, Mrs. Cameron:

Hi all!

My name is Kaele Cameron. I am the Math Coach at Sally Ride.

In my role I love being able to support students school wide in their learning and aid teachers in creating student centered math classrooms. I attended UCF for my undergraduate degrees in Micro and Molecular Biology, Health Science and am currently completing my master's degree in K-8 Math Education Leadership. I grew up in West Palm Beach, FL and am bilingual in Spanish and English. I am the lucky mom to a spirited almost two-year-old and am married to my high school sweetheart. In my free time I enjoy outdoor adventuring with my family, gardening, and cooking!



Hello awesome SRE troop!

Due to the number of cases of Covid 19 in OCPS this month, ALL field trips, competitions, and face-to-face extracurricular events have been postponed.

These events are NOT canceled but will be rescheduled:

- District SECME Competition (it was 01/08)

-3rd -5th Rocket Day at Oak Ridge H.S (it was 01/14)

-Kindergarten-3rd grade -MAGNET classes Orlando Science Center Field trip (it was 01/21)

-4th grade -MAGNET class Orlando Science Center Field trip (it was 01/28)

-5th grade Orlando Science Center Field trip (it was 01/28)

We have several events in February, but we should wait until we reach that river and see how we can cross it!

We don't have new dates yet, but as soon as we are clear you will be informed. We are not refunding the money collected because we HOPE we can have these events in February or March. Crossing my fingers!!!! Please stay safe!!!!

If you know somebody who may be interested in becoming a Sally Ride Explorer, please let them know that this Monday, January 10, at 9:00 A.M. and Wednesday, January 12, at 2:30 PM our School Magnet tour will be VIRTUAL due to the Covid-19. This tour is oriented to new families and students interested in participating in our Aviation and Aerospace Magnet Program.

At this time, it has been decided to postpone the face-to-face chess tournament scheduled for February 5. More information on a new date will be shared with you soon. Please chiquitines, join the weekly tournaments scheduled on ChessKids. K - 2nd students can play at 5:00 pm on Tuesdays and 3rd - 5th students can play at 6:30 pm on Tuesdays.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me on Class Dojo or email me: beatriz.berrizcastro@ocps.net

Important Messages and Announcements:

All school wide messages and updates will be posted on the Sally Ride website: www.sallyridees.ocps.net and social media sites- ClassDojo. Connect calls will be made by Principal Ortiz regarding important updates and school wide events.

Visit the District website for frequently ask questions and answers, parent information and important updates: www.ocps.net

To keep all students and staff safe we ask all car riders, walkers, and bikers to not arrive to school before 8:15 am to avoid the spread of the virus. Free Breakfast for all students served at 8:15 am. Late/tardy after 8:45 am. It is important for all students to arrive before 8:45 am.

**Please, send your child with a mask if you want them to continue wearing one; we only have limited amounts and do run out at times.*

Popular Link from Mrs. Daniels:

1. www.sallyridees.ocps.net
2. <https://launchpad.classlink.com/ocps>
3. <https://ocps.net>
4. parentacademy.ocps.net
5. <https://getepic.com>
6. <http://www.abcya.com>
7. www.starfall.com
8. www.pbskids.org/learn
9. www.pbskids.org/apps/

Have you been checking up on your child on Skyward? ☺

Highlights From Last Month's Events:



Our annual Nobile Target Shopping returned for an in-person experience. Big thanks to Nobile, the SRE families and volunteers for making this possible.



VPK-2nd grade Rocket Day! Students made rockets and got the chance to launch them with Ms. Berriz and Mr. West.



Our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders performed in the annual holiday concert. It was a joyful and festive musical. Thank you, SRE families for coming out and supporting; it was a full house!

THIS MONTH'S IMPORTANT NEWS FROM FOOD AND NUTRITION:



Click on image for more details

Food and Nutrition Services is providing parents the opportunity to celebrate their child's birthday in their classroom. The Food Service Manager will provide compliant food items that can be ordered and prepared for the birthday child's classroom. Please click on the image to access the OCPS website and order form!

What a great way to recognize and celebrate your child/children's Birthday at school. Plan and order at least 2 weeks in advance for the Birthday Bites Classroom Celebrations!

If you have any questions please, contact:
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Thank You, USDA
 STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE FREE BREAKFAST, LUNCH, SNACK AND SUPPER FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR!



Top left: Ms. Rosa Q
 Top right: Ms. Rosa A
 Bottom left: Ms. Angela
 Bottom right: Ms. Wanda

Parents, each year you must fill out and submit a new and updated SPECIAL DIETS form online for your child/children with a food allergy or change of dietary needs. Click on the blue letters to access links.

Food Allergy Board Policy

Food and Nutrition Services Department is required to provide reasonable accommodations for students with food allergies.

Diet Order Form

Parent/Guardians must complete and sign the front of the form in its entirety. A signature releasing medical information is necessary should the physician need to be contacted regarding diets related to medical disabilities.

Special Diets Discontinuation Form

Parent/Guardian must complete this form when the student's dietary needs have changed.

Email all Diet Order forms to: fsmenu@ocps.net

Visit the website below for more information on the special diet form policy: <https://fsdocs.ocps.net/lfserver/DietOrderProcess>

Message from Mrs. Morgan- PEL News!

Dear Parents and Families,
A warm and happy welcome back to school. We are halfway through and still lots of learning ahead.

Please, continue to work at home with your child on reading, math and additional learning resources like multiplication and division. Create flashcards or pick some up and help our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders increase their skill and brush up too by practicing with them for 10-15 mins daily. Continue to encourage students to read daily, take their AR quizzes and get those points! Getting 20 mins of iReady in Reading and Math is beneficial for student growth and success. Make reading a part of your daily family time whenever possible.

As a reminder, there will be monthly parent and family workshops, meetings, and events that will be hosted virtually and/or (in-person-TBD), so save the dates on your calendar as to not miss an opportunity to connect with us.

Lastly, continue to talk with your child about following all health and safety guidelines. Various OCPS high schools are offering the Covid-19 vaccine and test, so check the website for those dates and locations.

https://www.ocps.net/departments/exceptional_student_education/related_services/school_health_services/coronavirus_covid-19

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