



# Osan Middle School Thunderbirds

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## GOOD NEIGHBOR ENGLISH CAMP

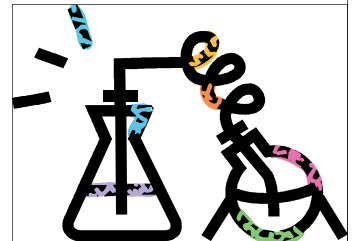
On 17-19 May, Osan Middle enjoyed hosting 23 host nation middle school children. A giant thank you is in order for the host families of: Donya Campbell, Cheyenne Curley and Jordan Nuckols, Junie DeAngelo, Mikiela Grassley, Jeffrey Kennedy, Mark Lafortune, Sowon Mundell, Elena Pendelton, Caroline Petithomme, Michelle Thompson, Jasmine Tuck, Michael Wight, and Danielle Wiley.

The groups had a blast attending the movies, going bowling, and enjoying American hospitality. In addition, both host nation students and their hosts were able to learn something about each other and develop a deeper cultural awareness and sensitivity. Thank you for your support!

## SCIENCE FAIR

Your children have done a great job on their science fair projects. They are set up and ready for public viewing on 23 and 24 May from 1500-1700. If your schedule permits, you owe it to yourself to see the great work our students have done. It will put a smile on your face...guaranteed!

Also, thanks to all of those who have volunteered to serve as judges on 25 May. We have a great mix of Airmen and parents. Thank you!



## PCS'ing???

If your family is PCS'ing your child can bring a CD to Ms. Laird so they can capture the work they have saved on the computer. There are some awesome projects, papers, and great digital documentation they can take to their new schools.

Help your child by regularly visiting our website: [www.osan-ms.pac.dodea.edu/](http://www.osan-ms.pac.dodea.edu/)



Also, if you have not already done so please register on Gradespeed to view your child's grades.

## Calendar of Events

- 18 May: Acceleration Began
- 23-26 May: Science Fair
- 23-24 May: Public Viewing (1500-1700)
- 25 May: NJHS Induction
- 27 May: UDDI Training (10:30 dismissal)
- 3 June: Field Day (Volunteers Needed)
- 8 June: Blue House Trip
- 15 June: 8th Grade Awards Ceremony

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## ESL Testing

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English Language Testing will occur on Monday, 23 May, 2011. Please be sure all ESL students are present and on-time.

## Field Day



Ms. Nuckols and our PTSSO is coordinating a wonderful field day on 3 June. Also joining us will be approximately 30 students and 3 teachers from Taekwang Middle School (one of our host nation sister schools). We are appreciative of the Airmen who have volunteered via our request through the AFRC.

## Student Council Upcoming Events

Fabulous Float Fridays: Friday, 20 MAY—Friday 10 JUNE - Root Beer, Orange, and Coke Floats will be sold for \$2.00 after lunch

Field Day: Friday, 3 JUNE - Student Council will be selling Snow Cones, Gatorades and Water

Hawaiian Luau (Last School Dance): Friday, 3 JUNE From 1830 - 2100

Spirit Week: Last week of school (Mon: Sports Day, Tues: Neon Day, Wed: Dress-up Day, Thurs: Free Day (Last day of school))

*P.S.: OMS Student Council raised \$1,000.00 to donate to Japan Relief!*

## Nurse's Station

Cigarette smoking is the leading cause of preventable disease and death in the United States. Smokers are less healthy overall than nonsmokers. Smoking harms your immune system and increases your risk of infections. Children and teens who smoke are less physically fit and have more breathing problems. Smoking at an early age can slow lung growth. According to the CDC in 2006, approximately 6% of middle school students in this country were current cigarette smokers. If you want more information on how to talk to your kids about cigarette smoking follow this link <http://www.cdc.gov/tobacco/youth/index.htm>.



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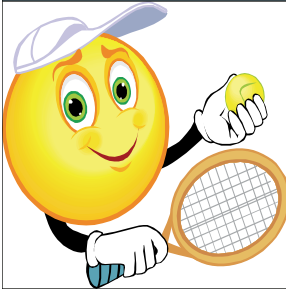


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A Tennis Clinic was held at OMS from May 2 to May 16. Despite the wind, rain, and yellow dust the players learned the basics of the sport (forehand, backhand, serve, volley, keeping score). A special thank you goes to Mr. Polidan, and TSgt. Khasane for their assistance in the practices. Photo back row L-R: Ms. McIntyre, Caroline Lankford, Krista Tarvin, Danielle Benedict, Kayla Harris, Mr. Polidan. Front row L-R: Jasmine Cook, Kevin Polidan and Desiree Stewart.

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## 2011-2012 PTSO Officers Needed

If you are interested in serving on our 2011-2012 PTSO Board, please contact our current president Michael Rawlins at:

[michael.rawlins@osan.af.mil](mailto:michael.rawlins@osan.af.mil)



Life at Osan Middle School

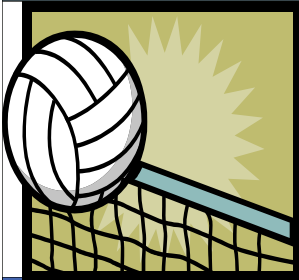


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# Volleyball Camp June 2011

June 21, 22, 23, and 24th  
\*1st day of Camp begins  
Tues 1:00-4:00 for all sessions

Wed-Fri

Basic Skills Session  
8:30 am-11:30pm 1:00-  
4:00pm

Intermediate Session  
8:30am-11:30pm 1:00-4:00  
pm

Advanced Session  
1:00—4:00pm 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
At Osan Air Base

**Cost: \$145 one session  
(Basic/Intermediate)**

**Includes OVA**

**Membership**

**Three Sessions \$200**

**Two Sessions \$160**

**(Advanced only)**

**Checks Payable to:  
DAS SAF**

Guest Coach:  
**Cole Tallman** from Mt. Olives  
College N.C. **Division II**



**Camp Open to Boys and  
Girls 7th - 12th grade**

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