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## From the Principal's Desk

The time has come.

No more engaging in the blame game; no more talking only about the rights; no more playing the part of passive receivers.

Let's start with cleanliness; the biggest visible challenge. The will of the nation is being built by Mr. Prime Minister, let's take it forward.

It is great that our homes shine but it is weird that our streets stink. We clearly need more training on understanding what is physically 'clean', how to clean, what to do with waste, how to keep the clean forever clean, whom to report when we see unclean practices etc.

We as policy makers and executors; we as community and individuals; we as parents, teachers and students; all must understand our role and go beyond the given part. We must start taking personal responsibility for all big and small things. There is no way things will change if we remain the same.

A little at a time but sure footed we must move. When education will come, garbage heaps will go, plastic will find purpose, hospitals will breathe easy and the air will be cleaner. At the end of the day we need to be proud of ourselves. We need to unlearn, learn and grow.

Excuses change nothing. Will and skill do.

Get the answers, demand more and be intolerant to unclean lifestyles.

Mala Jetly



## Big News!

### Appreciation From Cancer Patients Aids Association (6th September):

Dear Students, here's thanking you for participating in the school's social service project and helping generate a considerable amount for the Cancer Patients Aid Association. Here is an extract from the appreciation letter we received from Maharukh Mehta, Director CPAA:

"On behalf of the members of our association, I am sincerely grateful to you and for your generous donation of Rs. 11,250/- towards the sale of old newspapers.

We will always remember your kindness and the blessing of all the needy cancer patients will always be with you."

### School's New Website Launched (25th September):

We are pleased to present our new website with a new look and user enabled features. It is a 'one-stop-infobank' for all school related information. One can also login to the Orbis Online Portal with the designated username and password. The user can also view daily uploads on the Orbis Facebook page through the Facebook window provided in the website. Separate websites have been designed for The Orbis School Pune One and The Orbis School Pune Two and these can be accessed by clicking on the desired school name in the red box, below the Facebook window. School specific information such as the school calendar, the events in pictures, Orb of Fame details etc. resides in these sub sites.



## Flavours from our orchard

### Our Birdy Buddies (25th August – 1st September):

Birds have always been fascinating creatures with their unique ability to fly and other amazing traits. Their bodies, colours wings, feathers, their chirping, nests; all are a new world of learning. The theme served the inquisitive minds with relevant information followed by a pledge against caging them. The emphasis was also on their natural habitat and how to conserve it. We hope tomorrow's sky will look a little more beautiful with contribution from our Orbiens to help free the fliers.

### The Forest Dwellers (1st - 4th September):

Wild animals are an integral part of our ecosystem as they play a vital role in balancing life on earth. The idea of celebrating wild animals week is aimed at knowing about their habitat, food, sounds, young ones etc, understanding and appreciating their role and spreading awareness about the need to conserve them. Class discussions helped tiny-tots to know 'dos and don'ts' that benefit the forest inhabitants. Children explored the world of wildlife through various craft ideas, role plays and digital boards.

### Let Us Know The Touch (11th-12th September):

Puppets have the magical wand to inscript important lessons on little minds and can help teach simple to complex things appropriately. To sensitize our little ones about 'touch' and learn to deal with the undesirable, a workshop was conducted on 'Good Touch and Bad Touch' by Childology in school premises. Jr. and Sr. Kindergarteners got essential lessons to distinguish between the two. They were taught how to face and flee from the situations with "no, go and tell" and what is their 'safe circle'. When most of the adults are only talking about the problem, let these little Orbiens be impromptu with solutions. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Childology for their good work in creating awareness and working towards child safety.



### ABRACADABRA (18th September):

The 'world of magic' has always beckoned children since ages for its mystery. They are amazed and curious to see vanishing pigeons or colour changing flowers. NIE Magic Tricks workshop was organised to introduce the world of wonders and imagination to the kindergarteners. They very actively participated in the exciting show. The few magic tricks they have learnt, will help them to expand their sphere of imagination. The event was attended by The Orbis School pre-primary wing (morning shift).

### An Exalting Experiment (24th September):

There can't be a specified age for reinventing an invention or exploring a fact. The 'water week' was one such opportunity for Junior. Kindergartens to experiment with the natural element water. They were provided a pool filled with water and given light balls and stones in hand to understand the concept of heavy and light. Children enjoyed the activity with the inference that, lighter things float on water and heavy objects sink. And this is how work becomes play for our children.





## I Grow More, I Know More

### Hindi Essay Writing and Handwriting Competition (2nd & 3rd September):

The students of classes 1 – 8 (those who had opted for it) participated in Hindi essay writing and handwriting competition which was organised by the 'Rashtrbhasha Vikas Parishad' of Pune. This competition aimed at honing creative writing skills in Hindi as well as encouraging the students to focus on their handwriting. A very apt activity before we celebrate Hindi diwas later in this month.



### ORBILOQUI (2nd to 4th September):

The Orbis School held its annual literary event, OrbiLoqui. OrbiLoqui stands for "Orbis Speak", a platform where our youngsters get a chance to speak to the world. Children showcase their oratory and linguistic skills through activities like spell bee, elocution, jingle making, story telling, recitation and debate. This inter-house competition starts with multiple preliminary rounds before the finalists are selected. The event not only aims to hone the literary presentation skills of the students in both English and Hindi but also aims to offer our students a unique opportunity to foster precious soft-skills like teamwork, creativity and the confidence to speak in front of an audience. The students won accolades of the august gathering in each arena, be it with their captivating poem recitals or elocution, catchy jingles or engaging debate. It is through episodes like this that learning is taken beyond the textbooks and away from being mundane. It was a true celebration of learning for all. The event started with the students of classes 5 to 8 participating as a group, followed by similar literary activities for classes 3 and 4 as well as classes 1 and 2.

(For results see 'I Did It' section)



### Teacher's Day Celebrations at TheOrbis School (5th September):

Teacher's Day is a day to strengthen the bond between teacher and student. It is a day, on one hand to express gratitude to the guide and mentor; on the other, to renew commitment of dedication and excellence to further enrich the guru and shishya relationship. The Orbis School celebrated this day with bursting zest. The children touched the hearts of their teachers by showering them with flowers and handmade cards in order to express their love and regard for their teachers. The air was filled with cheer and happiness. The students of class 8 became the acting Principal, Headmistress, coordinators and teachers and took charge of the day. It was indeed a delight and a proud moment to see them take over the responsibility and perform their duties with perfection. Complete order and discipline was maintained while they conducted classes as per the time-table.

The day ended with an appetizing lunch for the staff members which was also attended by the entire management team.





## PM's Teachers Day Address (5th September):

To mark Teachers' Day, Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi interacted with hundreds of school children at Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi. The PM's speech was broadcasted live to schools across the country via TV, radio and the web. The Orbis School screened the speech for classes 4 upwards so that the students could watch, listen and rise up to the clarion call given by our PM.

## Childology Workshops (10th- 11th September):

The Orbis School joined hands with Childology to organise a workshop to discuss the sensitive topic of personal and sexual safety of children. The session dealt with problems and solutions related with 'touch'. Students were later given situations and asked about their response to help reinforce effective handling of undesirable behavior.



## For a Cause (15th September):

Voluntary donation activity for International White Cane Day was initiated. The activity aims at supporting education and rehabilitation of visually challenged people.

IAB, Indian Association for the Blind, has handed over flags to be sold to friends and neighbours. Our staff and students are participating with enthusiasm for this noble cause.

## World Literacy Day and World Ozone Day Celebrations (16th September):

International Literacy Day was proclaimed to be held every year in September by the United Nations, to spread awareness among individuals, communities and countries. The Orbis School too celebrated the special days to spread learning and education and for creating awareness about the depleting ozone layer. Ways to prevent were also talked about with emphasis on adopting ozone friendly lifestyle. The students of classes 1, 2 and 3 made posters and prepared slogans depicting the same.



## Hindi One Act Play (16th September):

Hindi Diwas is celebrated nationwide on 14th September. To mark this occasion, students of classes 1 to 8 participated in Hindi one act plays. Stories from the textbooks were rewritten as plays and then dramatized as class activity. For classes 4 – 8, it was an inter-house event. The students, guided by their Hindi teachers, put up a great display of acting as well as oratory skills. It was a platform to enhance command over the language, boost verbal and nonverbal communication skills and interact effectively with peers.

(For house-wise results, see 'I Did It' section)



## CCA Display (24th September):

CCA display at the end of term one was conducted for classes 1, 2 and 3 to display the work done by various clubs, namely; Elocution, Show and Tell, First Aid, E-club, Road Safety, Spell Bee, Abacus and many more. The clubs that work on all Wednesdays help learn and do new things differently. Guided by their respective teachers, all club members presented and shared the new learning they had constructed throughout this session. Term two CCA Clubs will start in October and will include activities like Dramatics, Dance, Music, Archery, Drawing and colouring, Craft and Gymnastics.



## 10th CBSE Drawing Competition (29th September):

The Ministry of Power in association with Bureau of Energy Efficiency is undertaking the National Awareness Campaign 2014 to sensitise children towards issues related to energy conservation and to inculcate the habit of proper utilization of energy. One of the main activities of the campaign is a Painting Competition for school students. The students of classes 1 to 8 put their creative skills on paper to draw out the message of Energy Conservation.



## Healthy Habits (30th September):

Personal cleanliness and good hygiene practices are essential for health and social reasons. It is also important for parents and teachers to teach and model these skills to their children. Healthy personal hygiene habits instilled in childhood often follow children into adulthood. We at The Orbis School took the initiative to reinforce these vital habits and share best practices to be followed in maintaining personal cleanliness and good hygiene habits; each student was also given a hygiene kit for personal use.

### Facts about International Literacy Day:-

- International Literacy Day is celebrated each year on 8th September.
- International Literacy Day was first observed on 8th September 1967.
- The aim of International Literacy Day is to focus attention on the need to promote worldwide literacy.
- The UN estimates that almost 800 million of the world's adults do not know how to read or write (about two-thirds of this number are women)
- and that almost 130 million youth do not know how to read or write.
- On International Literacy Day, individuals, organizations, and countries throughout the world renew their efforts to promote literacy and demonstrate their commitment to providing education for all.





## I did it

House	Orbiloqui 1-2	Orbiloqui 3-4	Orbiloqui 5-8	Orbiloqui overall	Hindi One Act Play 4 - 8
<b>Explorers</b>	3rd	1st	2nd	2nd	1st
<b>Guardians</b>	4th	4th	1st	3rd	3rd
<b>Innovators</b>	2nd	3rd	4th	4th	3rd
<b>Vanguards</b>	1st	2nd	2nd	1st	2nd

## Gold medal in SIP Abacus:

We are proud to announce that Ayush Nagar of 5 Vega won a gold medal in SIP Abacus competition. Kudos to Ayush Nagar!

## Kala Ki Khoj Results:

We congratulate our students who made it to the semi-finals of the Kala Ki Khoj contest in different categories.

Singing - Sanyogita Sarin (6 Vega), Nicole Masri (8 Vega), Sakshi Bhandarkar (8 Vega), Esha Agarwal (8 Vega), Jordan Masri (5 Sirius)  
Dancing – Oishee Dasgupta (6 Vega), Kashish Tahiliani (8 Vega), Samyak Herode (5 Sirius).

In the final contest, Nicole Masri made us proud by becoming the 1st runner-up in singing.

Well done Nicole!

## NiE Think and Learn City Finalists:

Following up on the article in the previous issue, we now proudly congratulate the students who cleared the first round to qualify for the NiE Think and Learn city finals held on 14th September, namely, Medha Bhawsar, Nandini Jadhav, Kaunain Munni, Amey Lonkar, Akash Kumar and Krishna Desikan. We applaud Akash Kumar, who emerged as the school topper and received a certificate and a tab for his excellent performance in the city finals.

## Personality of the month

### Munshi Premchand (1880-1936)

Premchand was the pen name adopted by the Hindi writer Dhanpatrai who was born on 31 July 1880 at Lamati near Varanasi. His early education was in a madarasa under a Maulavi, where he learnt Urdu. When he was studying in the ninth class he was married, much against his wishes. He was then fifteen. In 1919, while he was a teacher at Gorakhpur, he passed his B.A., with English, Persian and History. He had a second marriage with Shivarani Devi, a child-widow, who wrote a book on him, 'Premchand Ghar mein' after his death.

Premchand's literary career started as a freelancer in Urdu. In his early short stories he depicted the patriotic upsurge that was sweeping the land in the first decade of the present century. Soz-e-Watan, a collection of such stories published by Premchand in 1907, attracted the attention of the British government. In 1914, when Premchand switched over to Hindi, he had already established his reputation as a fiction writer in Urdu. Premchand was the first Hindi author to introduce realism in his writings. He pioneered the new art form – fiction with a social purpose. He wrote of the life around him and made his readers aware of the problems of the urban middle-class and the country's villages. He supplemented Gandhiji's work in the political and social fields by adopting his revolutionary ideas as themes for his literary writings.

Premchand was a prolific writer. He has left behind a dozen novels and nearly 250 short stories. Seva Sadan was his first novel. His other best known novels are Rangamanch, Ghaban, Nirmala and Godan. Three of his novels have been made into films.

Besides being a great novelist, Premchand was also a social reformer and thinker. His greatness lies in the fact that his writings embody social purpose and social criticism rather than mere entertainment.

Premchand died in 1936 and has since been studied both in India and abroad as one of the greatest writers of the century.





## And the celebration of Learning continues at The Orbis School Pune Two

### The Orbis School Pune 2

#### Teachers Day (5th September):

All across the country Teacher's Day celebrations are undertaken to honour teachers for their sincere nation building efforts. Here at Orbis, the kids of Primary and Pre-primary celebrated the Teacher's Day to convey the message of love, respect and care for their teachers. The kids of Primary sang a lovely Teacher's Day poem where they promised to obey, to colour carefully and practice neat handwriting. Students offered greetings cards and flowers to celebrate the contributions made by the teachers and the education fraternity

#### Childology Workshop On Good Touch and Bad Touch (9th September):

Puppetry can be used to entertain and also to deliver important messages in a subtle way. An engaging puppet activity was organised for primary and pre-primary students to sensitize them about "Good touch and bad touch", keeping in view the extremely important need to develop personal safety skills. The workshop was conducted by the Childology team with the aim to empower the children on how to avoid dangerous situations, report matters and acquire necessary life skills to stay safe.



#### Orbiloqui - A Spectacular Literary Event (10th September):

Orbiloqui the annual literary event provides an innovative forum for our Orbians to participate in a variety of literary activities. The students categorized into their four houses, showcased their talents in the field of Spell bee, Story telling, Recitation and Show and tell. It was a good learning experience for them. The finalists, selected after days of rehearsals and two preliminary rounds, enthralled the parents with their magnificent performances.

(For results see 'I Did It' section)





## World First Aid Day (11th September):

First aid is one of the most important lessons in healthcare. The day was celebrated by creating awareness about dealing with some common health concerns before we can get medical attention. A PPT was shown to the students about simple ways and means to impart first-aid. The coordinator explained to the children what immediate responses should be taken in case of major and minor emergencies. She also emphasised that First Aid saves lives. It is for everyone, everywhere.

## Hindi Divas (15th September):

A special assembly was conducted to develop appreciation for Hindi which was adopted as the National official language of the Union by the Constituent Assembly on 14 September, 1949. A prayer in Hindi, followed by a speech on the significance of Hindi Divas and importance of Hindi as a language that binds us were the highlights of the day. Students from class 1 and 2 sang a delightful song 'hum hay Hindustani Hindi bhasha hum ko pyaari hai'. All students were encouraged to enrich vocabulary and speak correct Hindi.

## World Literacy Day (Poster making) - (16th September):

Literacy is Freedom. Literacy is more than reading and writing; it is about how we communicate as a society. To celebrate the special day, Orbians prepared colourful and motivating posters on "World Literacy Day" with catchy slogans like "Power of Education makes you touch the stars", "Educate the girl educate the world", "Reading is breathing in.... Writing is breathing out....", "All for education.... Education for all", etc. The students marked this occasion by taking a vow to promote education in their own small way and help at least one more person have a more aspiring tomorrow.



## Puppet Show (25th September):

Puppets are engaging toys that can be used to develop language skills, communication skills and widen the horizon of imagination and creativity. A story telling session was conducted where the pre-primary narrated the story of 'The Elephant hiccups', and the primary narrated the story of how 'The Elephant got a long trunk'. The activity became greater fun with teachers and students making relevant animal sounds.

## International Day of Older Persons (30th September):

October 1st is celebrated as International Day of older people which raises awareness that ageing means growing old with dignity. As a part of the occasion a role play was also conducted to show love and respect towards the generation that is one of the greatest treasures of our lives. The students also watched an inspiring movie titled "A Tribute to Grandparents."



## Let's Explore Nature (30th September):

Project based learning is always fun. Making bird nests with materials like coconut shells, twigs, leaves and cotton balls, was the activity taken up by class 1 to know more about the winged creatures. The project encouraged kids to develop their cognitive and tactile sensory skills. Perseverance, concentration, creativity, constructivism were the major learning outcome. The nests made may not have been perfect but the joy of working together to create them was celebratory indeed.





## I did it

Inter House Orbiloqui Result (Primary):

House	Orbiloqui 1-2	Hindi One act play	Orbiloqui 5-8	World Literacy Day
Explorers	4th	4th	2nd	2nd
Guardians	3rd	3rd	1st	3rd
Innovators	2nd	1st	4th	4th
Vanguards	1st	2nd	2nd	1st



## Special Assemblies

### Teachers' Day (5th September):

A special assembly was organised by the young student-teachers to highlight the contributions made by our exemplary educator Dr. Sarvapalli Radha Krishnan and to honour their teachers. They poured their hearts out through poems, songs, short play, dance and a quiz which were all about their dear teachers. Later in the day a thought provoking session was organised for the staff. The Principal, Ms. Mala Jetly spoke on the occasion saying that the teachers of The Orbis School are magical. They do not simply impart knowledge but prepare children for life. All were asked to work further towards keeping teaching learning an ever evolving process and to keep the spirit of celebrating learning always alive. The teachers were presented a customized mug with the school emblem on it as a token of appreciation.

### Personal Safety- (11th September):

Personal safety is not an option; it is the most essential aspect of our life for all of us. Personal safety not only refers to physical safety that is freedom from physical harm but also psychological safety which means being victimized by hostility, aggression and harassment. Class 5 Vega conducted the morning assembly based on the monthly theme 'Personal Safety' and value of the month 'Life skills'. During the assembly through a demonstration the students portrayed the right and wrong of 'personal safety'. In other words they showed the audience what is the right way of reacting when faced with a difficult situation. Following this the class teacher, Ms. Sandhya Channa, threw more light on the topic by saying that in order to tackle such unwanted situations we all need to develop some life skills which are; having self-confidence, thinking and decision making ability, emotional control and social skills to share and discuss the problem with the right people rather than keep quiet and suffer. Thus the assembly ended with a message that we all need to safeguard ourselves and be responsible for our own safety. It is better to take precautions than to be a victim and suffer.

### World 'First-Aid' Day (18th September):

First aid is the assistance given to a person in need of medical help before professional help arrives. It is an important life skill for young and old alike. A special assembly was organised for the students of classes 4 - 8 where lifeguard trainer, Mr. Sushil Mogre, from Rashtriya Life Saving Society was invited to give a demonstration of first aid to the students. He explained the steps one can take in case of common medical emergencies that can happen in school, home or anywhere else. He also demonstrated how simple steps, taken immediately, can prevent serious damage in situations involving choking, heat stroke, bleeding or fracture. It was an essential life lesson for all present.




## Virtue Alone Ennobles

Life skills are abilities for adaptive and positive behavior that enable individuals to deal effectively with the demands and challenges of everyday life. It is essential for students to acquire some core life skills which are:-

- 1) Social skills like self-awareness, effective communication, interpersonal relationship and empathy.
- 2) Thinking skills which are creative thinking, critical thinking, decision making and problem solving ability.
- 3) Emotional skills which include coping with stress and with emotions.

All this will help to prepare the young children for the world of work and for economic independence, for a culturally diverse and rapidly changing society; and above all to help them to build meaningful lives.

- Sourced by Sandhya Channa, CT 5 Vega

## Impressions and Expressions

### Dear Teachers

Teachers you are the best  
You teach us the all day and take no rest  
You work for us all day and night  
And put a star whenever it's right  
Whatever you teach us Math or English  
The students and teachers relationship will never finish.

- Riya Sharma and Ahanah Pirmohammed, 5 Sirius

### Save Tiger

Tiger - Tiger is our pride  
Make their population grow wide  
No animal is their equal  
They are the national animal  
They are rare  
So, please do care

- Jane John, 5 Vega

Save their life  
Keep away your knife  
Save the Tiger before there are none.  
Please help stop this crime  
We need to save our national pride in time.

### Teacher - Ocean of Knowledge

"Guru Brahma, Guru Vishnu, Guru Devomaheshwara." A burning candle in the dark is a teacher. Ocean of knowledge is a teacher. A guide in the unknown path is a teacher. A teacher is not just a person who teaches us, but enlightens us, encourages us and shows us the right path of life. A life without teachers would be a life of illiteracy and ignorance. The Sanskrit shlok "Guru Brahma, Guru Vishnu" beautifully tells us the meaning of a true teacher. We should respect our teachers the way we respect God as both of them bestow us with blessings of knowledge and wisdom.

- Kavana Anklekar, 6 Vega



## Teachers' Corner

### Cub Master Training Course:

Our PTI, Mr. Sagar Balerao has successfully completed the six days Cub Masters Training course conducted by Maharashtra State Board Scouts and Guides at M. G. Vidyalaya, Manchar. He has become a certified cub master trainer who is eligible to train children for the 27 months cub training programme. This training programme aims at building physical fitness, team spirit, discipline, sense of duty, patriotism and the spirit of humanity and service among the students and is a prerequisite for becoming a scout.

### The School Song – Instrumental:

We take this opportunity to extend our thanks to Mr. Saurabh Srivastava, a gifted musician who also is a visiting faculty at The Orbis School, for arranging a soulful instrumental rendition of the Orbis school song. The link will shortly be on the school website for all to listen to the melody

### Self Esteem Enhancement Workshop (18th September):

Self Esteem – Understanding and Responding to Children's Needs was the focus of the skill enhancement workshop which was attended by the coordinators, Ms. Gunjan Srivastava and Ms. Sumina Jacob. The essence of the session was that every human being is intelligent; it is the wisdom of the adults to identify the sparks in each child and help carve out opportunities for themselves. The need to understand the various forces in the self and the external environment that contribute to the shaping of self-esteem of an individual was emphasised upon. It also facilitated the teachers to come up with appropriate responses when a child is not able to fulfill expectations and leads to low self-worth.

The program enabled to constructively design interactions and opportunities that can wisely carve a positive self-image.

- Gunjan Srivastava, Upper Primary Coordinator, TOS One

### Social Media Awareness Workshop (20th September):

Social Media Awareness workshop was conducted by Mr. Jyotindra Zaveri for the teachers to educate them on how to use the social media websites safely. Mr. Zaveri is an independent consultant and a trainer. According to Mr. Zaveri, networking sites like Facebook, Google+ and LinkedIn have tremendous potential to do both good and bad. He gave an insight on how the social media could be used

effectively to reach out positively to a wide audience in the field of teaching and learning.

### Strategies for Success in Mathematics Workshop (23rd September):

"Mathematisation of child's thinking should be the main goal of mathematics education in school," stressed Dr. Durriya Aziz in a seminar conducted for the Heads of the institutions by Scholastic India which was attended by our Headmistress Ms. Sharda Rao. The workshop focused on how Mathematics can be used to handle abstractions and for problem solving, clear thinking, pursuing assumptions to logical conclusions and how schools can play an important role in inculcating love towards the subject. It also demonstrated ways to make Mathematics curriculum and methodology more meaningful

### CCE Workshop on Value Education (27th September):

A very interactive and informative workshop was conducted by Ms. Priya Singh who is associated with MIT, Pune. The main areas focused in his workshop were responsibility of teachers as role models in value education and how value education can be an integral part of usual school teaching. The groups of teachers were given the subject of basic values like love, compassion, truth, non-violence, patriotism etc. to discuss their applications in life and the need for integrating them into daily life. They were asked to explore relationship between value and habit, character and behaviour and need for constant correction of children so as to mend them for value enriched life. Also discussions were made with regard to child's psychology that leads to abnormal behaviour and how love and care can solve number of such abnormal behaviour





## CCE Workshop for Teachers (27th September):

'If you dare to teach you should never cease to learn'. How very true! A CCE workshop was conducted for the teaching staff of The Orbis School to empower the teachers with the CBSE guidelines on the various techniques of evaluation and assessment. Dr. Asavi Bhawe - Project Director of MIT School of Education, through this workshop, gave a deeper insight and a better understanding of the objectives, features and functions of CCE - thus helping to equip the teachers to adopt a holistic approach to the teaching learning process which spreads over the entire span of academic session. CCE refers to a system of school based evaluation of students that covers all aspects of student's development. The workshop was very informative, interactive and inspiring.



## Parent's Prerogative

Orbiloqui, our annual literary event, received a very encouraging response from our dear parents. Here is what some of them had to say:

"A great example of precise planning, execution and excellent performance by all students! Orbis is raising the bar each year. Keep it up!"

**- Manoj Jain (at The Orbis School, Pune One)**

"The school truly reflects (especially through this event) that it aims not only at scholastics but at overall growth. One right decision makes or destroys life. My decision to put my child in Orbis has made her life."

**- Shweta Sanghvi (at The Orbis School, Pune One)**

"It was a great show. I thank Team Orbis for putting efforts to encourage students to develop skill sets."

**- Vidyasagar and Dipali (at The Orbis School, Pune One)**

Very well organised event. Your efforts to give an equal opportunity to all the kids, is really remarkable.

**- Deepti Bodhale (at The Orbis School, Pune Two)**

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You made my day! Wonderful experience.

**- Sumit Burad (at The Orbis School, Pune Two)**

Very well organised event. It's a great opportunity for all children to show their talents and grow in all areas of their development.

**- Sonal. K (at The Orbis School, Pune Two)**

Thanks for encouraging all students. It will definitely help them in future.

**- Namrata Kulkarni (at The Orbis School, Pune Two)**



## I can do it!

Asking questions is fun, but so is answering them. Quickly answer the following questions based on your reading of the personality of the month.

- What is the pen name adopted by Hindi writer Dhanpatrai?
- Which book was written by Premchand's second wife Shivrani Devi?
- How many stories has Premchand written?
- What was the name of his first novel?
- List three distinct features of Premchand's writings.

## PTA- EC Meeting (20th September):

PTA is a valuable platform where parents along with the principal and school staff contribute towards the growth and smooth functioning of the school. PTA executive committee meeting for the month of September took note of all scholastic and co-scholastic activities. Constructive suggestions from parent members with regard to school activities were welcomed by all. The span of CCTV recordings, fee structure for new academic session, ways to improve academic performance, various workshops being conducted for both students and staff for growth and empowerment were also discussed.



## Upcoming Events



### The Orbis School Pune One

1st Oct	Robotics Challenge (Classes 5, 7 and 8)/ Gandhi Jayanti Special Assembly)
8th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Sr. Kg
9th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Sr. Kg/ CCA Display (Classes 4 - 8)
10th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Jr. Kg
13th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Nursery/Science and EVS Quiz (Classes 1 - 8)
14th Oct	National Cyber Olympiad
15th Oct	State Legislative Assembly Elections Holiday
16th Oct	Diwali Celebration/ World Food Day Special Assembly/NiE Workshop (Class 3)
18th Oct	PTM (Classes 4 - 8)/ Autumn Break starts
28th Oct	School Reopens after Autumn Break
29th Oct	Guest Lecture (Classes 1 - 2)
31st Oct	Shramdaan Day (Classes 1 - 8)

### The Orbis School Pune Two

1st Oct	Gandhi Jayanti Special Assembly (nursery to class 2)
9th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Sr. Kg
10th Oct	Orbiloqui Kids - Jr. Kg/ Nursery.
13th Oct	Science and EVS Quiz (Classes 1 - 2)
15th Oct	State Legislative Assembly Elections Holiday
16th Oct	Diwali Celebration / Special Assembly
18th Oct	PTM (Classes 1 - 2)/ Autumn Break starts
28th Oct	School Reopens after Autumn Break
29th Oct	IBA (Classes 1 - 2)
31st Oct	Shramdaan Day (Classes 1 - 2)



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"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." These are not mere wise words but the mantra of modern day teaching-learning. Learning remains incomplete without complete involvement of the teacher and the taught; be it learning the curricular subject or learning a life skill.

Today, the learner is insatiable in his/her quest for learning more and innovative learning methods are integral in keeping the curiosity levels high. In addition to classroom learning, the month gone by saw learning of life skills at various levels, by the students and the teachers alike, through live demonstration by experts, a range of activities and interactive workshops. These life-lessons are the stepping stones for our students towards becoming a true global citizen of tomorrow.

Happy Reading!

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### Thought for the month

Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any other thing.

- Abraham Lincoln

