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Flavours from our orchard

Essence of Winter (5th to 15th January):

With arrival of the winter season, the students of pre-primary were made aware of its unique characteristics and about changes in seasons. The importance of how essential it is to take care of ourselves during winter was shared with the children along with information about the various fruits and vegetables that we can enjoy during this season.

Sheetal Deorukhkar CT Sr. Kg. Cherry

Makar Sankranti Celebrations (13th January):

The festival of Makar Sankranti was much enjoyed by all the children as the significance of the day became a part of the teacher talk and all together drew and coloured kites of various shapes and sizes.

Aditi Joshi CT Nursery Apple

From the Principal's Desk

Excerpts from the Annual Report of The Orbis Schools, as presented by the Principal:

"The year 2015-16 has been a year of expanding the goals, adding new milestones and taking new roads along with new opportunities, experiences and delights.

Affiliation with CBSE: The technical inspection team by the board found us very worthy in all departments for affiliation up to class 10. Affiliation process for classes 11 and 12, with Science, Commerce and Arts as the probable streams has also begun.

Infrastructural additions: At TOS 1, a complete new block, with 14 classrooms, a new staff work station, safety net around the complete playground, stadium steps around the MPF and one more stage on the ground floor was added. As a result of concerted efforts, school road work is a reality now. At TOS 2, we scaled up to class 5, added 9 to 6 Day care facility, a new floor with a library, art studio, eight classrooms and a new staff workstation.

Beyond the textbooks: Twinning with Sushila Birla Girls' school in Kolkata, Warli painting workshop by SPICMACAY, partly conceptualizing the school wall graffiti and painting it too, meeting with the Everest climbers and a chance to trek to the base camp in the Himalayas, writing blogs for discovery channel, activities in collaboration with IIM Calcutta and Microsoft, participation in Bookaroo, the all India festival of children's literature, meeting with award winning writer and illustrator Ms. Vasanthi Unka and Mr. Chetan Bhagat, Gun for Glory training by Mr. Gagan Narang's shooting academy, concept of a no bag day, hands on learning with Curiosity science kits and more; all have been a means to turn over a new leaf for many.

Laurels: National winner title in aqua robotics by Robokids, brilliant results in Game Jam titans conducted by Nasscom, finalists in Rotary Inter School debate, Inter School Football Championship trophies for both the girls' and boys' in under 16 categories, medals in ZP Inter School Skating, chess and archery, best district results in SOF....

Values and Attitude: With character building as one of our key objectives, the students engaged in many social service projects and experienced the joy of sharing. They played active role in Bala Janaagraha - a uniquely designed civic education programme, E-awareness and responsible recycling with Microsoft Corporation India etc. We talk of a noble generation, these activities make one.

Safety: CCTV vigilance, lady security guard, multiple workshops on personal safety, disaster management drills were a part of the calendar.

We are expectantly looking at the year to come with many new facilities and TOS 2 extending upto class eight. However the most important of all will be are students writing their class 10 board exams.

It is never easy to wrap up a year in a few words as every single day at Orbis we live the dream to make every student a lifelong explorer, guardian, innovator and vanguard and I thank the management, staff and parents for being the wind beneath our wings. They say education is what you remember after all that you learnt at school is forgotten and that will always remain our core area of work."

Mala Jetly

Republic Day Celebrations (25th January):

Patriotic songs, teacher talk and a tear and paste activity was enjoyed by all as the school celebrated the Republic Day. 'How to be good citizens' was discussed in circle meetings.

Sheetal Deorukhkar CT Sr. Kg. Cherry



NIE Workshop on Community Helpers (7th January):

To understand the role and importance of Community Helpers, the children of Sr. Kindergarten had a Show and Tell activity where they spoke about different community helpers and how they help us. Later, the entire Pre Primary wing witnessed a potter in action whose art and magic created many beautiful earthen pots out of wet clay. A loud round of applause by the little tots brought a smile on the face of Mr. Shinde, the potter.

Sheetal Deorukhkar CT Sr. Kg. Cherry

Orbisports Kids (22nd January)

Orbisports aims at bringing the joy of track and field events to our little ones. It also teaches valuable lessons on participation, coordination, discipline and building sportsman spirit. The drills with fancy sticks and bright colourful pompoms followed by fun races led to the joy of teamwork, fair competition and reward. Every student participated and all enjoyed each other's performance too.

Aditi Joshi CT Nursery Apple



I Grow More, I Know More

Kite Making Activity (13th January):

On the eve of Makar Sankranti the students of classes 4 and 5 made beautiful kites with great enthusiasm. They used different types of colourful paper and decorative items to translate their brilliant and innovative ideas into unique kites. During the last period, students of classes 4 to 9 along with the teachers gathered on the Multipurpose Field to fly their kites. It was indeed a good experience and new learning.

Mridula Sharma CT 4 Deneb



Inter House Patriotic Song Competition (18th January):

The Inter House competition, loaded with patriotic fervour was a treat for all. Selected students of all the four houses had been practicing hard to be at the top. The competition was judged by Mr. Derric and Ms. Ashwini, the music instructors. (For results please refer I did it section)

Seeta Venkateswaran CT 6 Vega

Workshop on Healthy Eating Habits (15th January):

We had a wonderful time at the healthy eating habits workshop conducted for all the students of classes 5-9. The session started with a balloon blowing competition - here we learnt that overfilling can cause obesity. They also explained the ill effects of having junk food as compared to the benefits of eating healthy fruits and vegetables every day. At the end of the session, all students were given a cup of instant poha which was aromatic, scrumptious and healthy too!

N Raghav Student Class 7 Sirius



NIE workshop on Magic Tricks (21st January):

Class 4 attended a workshop on Magic conducted in the school MPH hall by the well known magician Mr. Sanjay Raghuvver. The magician showed us how to make a coin vanish. He turned a booklet of blank pages into a book full of pictures. He taught us a trick where we could turn small playing cards into big playing cards. He also taught us how to make a 500 rupee note into a credit card. It was a magical experience for us all. I loved it!

Abhilash Kar Student Class 4 Deneb



School Management Committee Meeting (23rd January):

The SMC that consists of the school Principal, two parents, two teachers, two persons who are or have been teachers of other schools or colleges, two principals of senior secondary schools, met to supervise the school activities, academic progress, infrastructure and staff welfare. While the committee expressed satisfaction and approved the school programmes it also added valuable ideas to make each student achieve more.

Republic Day Celebration (26th January):

The 67th Republic Day celebration was marked with flavours of patriotism with respect and pride for all the sung and unsung heroes of our country. The programme started with flag hoisting and National Anthem, after which the students enthralled all with their performances. Students spoke about the Gallantry Awards, danced to 'Maa Tuihe Salam' and sang 'Aye Mere Vatan Ke Logo', filling all hearts with patriotism. The Chief Guest, Col. Keshavdev Sharma held all attention with his inspirational speech.

Aastha Vij, Nitika Nema, Ishita Amte Class 5 Vega



NIE Workshop for Class 5 (28th January):

We had an interesting workshop conducted by Times of India NIE, based on Logical Reasoning by Fehmida ma'am. We were divided into three groups - Attentive, Brave and Courteous and taught the line of action to arrive at answers before attempting intriguing questions. The workshop was very interesting, as students dealt with PSA, testing their logical skills and reasoning ability. It also helped in confidence building. The workshop ended with the students asking for more and the teachers wishing that there was a workshop like this during their school days. All in all, everyone present celebrated learning the Orbis Way.

Aditi Singh Student Class 5 Vega, Padmamalini Kumar CT 5 Sirius

The Orbis School Pune 2

Kite Activity and Makar Sankranti Celebration (12th January):

Children from class 1-5 participated in the Inter House competition coupled with individual activity as they decorated their handmade kites with glitter, colored paper, patterns and tails to make them unique and beautiful. Kites of different sizes, shapes and colors' filled the sky. The preprimary children were also engaged in activities like sticking colored paper on kites and group activity to make a kite. Later all were served with sweets made of sesame called "Tilgud".

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega, Beena Ajay CT Nursery Orange



N.I.E Workshop (28th January):

The students had a day filled with learning and exploring various facets of education at the N.I.E workshop conducted by Ms. Fahmida. A quiz was conducted to tap the areas of logic, vocabulary and general knowledge. The students enjoyed the fun filled activity.

Farheen Shaikh CT 1 Sirius

PTA Meeting (6th and 12th January)

Parent Teacher Association meeting was conducted to review and approve Scholastic and Co-scholastic activities planned for the next three months. The fee structure for the coming academic session was also proposed and was approved after the changes recommended by the members for the academic sessions 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Farheen Shaikh CT 1 Sirius

PTM (16 January):

The meeting helped the parents and teachers exchange their feedback and discuss students' growth and areas of concern with eyes on the Annual Exams scheduled from 29th February. The meet aimed at working together for the benefit of the students.

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega



Orbisports Kids (21st January):

The Pre Primary Orbians celebrated Orbisports Kids - 2nd Annual Athletic Meet. The event began with releasing of balloons by the Director, Mr. Haseeb Faquih who declared the meet open. The Sr. Kg children displayed mass PT drill with colorful Chinese fans followed by Jr. Kg pom pom drill and nursery Mass PT with colorful ribbons. The track events included races like collecting the ball, getting ready, who will build the pyramid, hurdle, word building, etc.

Prerana Dongrawat CT Sr. Kg Mango

EVS Activity (18th January):

Creativity propels learning. The Lessons on "Caring for our environment" motivated the class 3 students to make the best out of waste and they came up with pencil stands using tin cans, thus exploring their intrinsic skills. Students of Class 2 engaged in creating colourful badges which emphasised on - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Such experiences inspire students to become lifelong learners.

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega



Fitness First (18th to 22nd January):

Health is an invaluable aspect of our life and to create an awareness amongst our little Orbiens about health and fitness, the entire week was dedicated to activities which steered young minds towards adopting a lifestyle that reinforced the importance of exercises to keep oneself fit.

Beena Ajay Nursery Orange



Community Helpers (25th January):

The School premises was filled with policemen, milkmen, doctors, postmen, teachers, lawyers and farmers as the young children came dressed up as their favourite community helper. The activities throughout the day helped children connect with and understand their neighbourhood better. Children were later taken to the School field to sow seeds as part of their responsibility as a community helper.

Beena Ajay CT Nursery Orange

Book Review (27th January):

Students of Class 1 to 5 had a firsthand experience of book reading and writing a book review. They tried to combine skills of describing the plot, analysing how the book tried to achieve its purpose and expressing own opinions. Students read abridged versions of works of celebrated writers along with short stories. It helped students to excel in creative writing and particularly in analysing global ideas.

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega

International English Olympiad (28th January):

The International English Olympiad was conducted for classes 1 to 3.



Club activity

CCADisplay (27th January):

Student members of all the clubs presented their work and showcased their learning in Public speaking, Creative Writing, Art and Craft, Work Education and Nature Club. These Clubs work beyond classroom teaching and strengthen the confidence of students. Nature club pledged to protect the environment around school and home, Public Speaking emphasised on theme of the month "Fitness" and "People who help us". Work Education and Art and Craft displayed various beautiful items created by children.

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega



A Visit to Agha Khan Palace by the Heritage Club (20th January):

The students of the Heritage Club from classes 1-3 visited the Agha Khan Palace as part of their club activity. The students saw the rooms Kasturba Gandhi and Sarojini Naidu spent their last days in. They also visited the Samadhis of Agha Khan and Kasturba Gandhi and saw the clothes and utensils used by Gandhiji and his wife. It was indeed a memorable experience for all.

Neeta Rawat CT 3 Vega, Sarah Koshy CT 3 Sirius

Big News!

Orbitria 2015-16 (30th January):

The mega event Orbitria - The Annual Speech and Prize Distribution Day, marked the culmination of all the co-scholastic and extracurricular activities of both the Orbis Schools. The Principal presented an impressive report of achievements in all spheres of learning. The highlights of the report were the top quality Inter School performances by a galaxy of students, infrastructural additions, innovative teaching learning programme incorporated at the Orbis, big plans for the next academic session which include scaling upto class 12 at the Keshavnagar school and upto class 8 at the Mundhwa school. The school's commitment to focus on holistic growth and sowing the seeds of mobility, responsibility and skills in scientific temper was reinstated.

Individual colours in Public Speaking, Creative Design, Performing and Visual Arts, Games and Sports and Leadership were awarded to the best amongst the best followed by Inter House Championship Trophies. Theatrical presentation of The Pygmalion, a classic drama by George Bernard Shaw, was the climax of the evening. The musical with top quality acting, dancing and singing performances was breathtaking to say the least! We thank our chief guest, Mr. Randhir Khare and the entire management for gracing the occasion. Kudos to all Orbians for true celebration of learning round the year!





Orbisports 2015-16 (10th January):

The 6th Annual Track and Field Event - Orbisports, unfolded as a grand sporting spectacle at the SRPF Ground with about 1200 children performing and displaying competitiveness in an atmosphere of camaraderie and sportsmanship. The Inter House March Past showcased discipline and training as the marching squads moved smartly saluting the chief guest, Mr. Naushad Moosa, Head Coach Pune FC Academy and former National Football Player. The Primary, Middle and Secondary Wing students of the Orbis Schools presented a splendid display of drills, field dances, martial arts and athletics. Events like shot put, relay, hurdles and sprints inspired to push the limits and were cheered by the parents, house mates and even the rivals. The event came to an end after many highlights like the hula hoop and ribbon display, pyramid formation, yoga and zumba. The winners set new benchmarks in many categories only waiting to break them again next year!!



Special Assemblies

Republic Day Celebration (20th January):

Special assemblies were conducted in both the schools where the students of TOS 1 exhibited their patriotism towards their country by presenting a patriotic dance. Service to the nation starts with self so a play on Road Safety was put up with a meaningful message to stay safe and keep others safe. At TOS 2, the nursery kids came dressed in community helper's dress and introduced their characters. Students of Sr. Kg spoke on the word "Responsibility". The facilitators organised a movie to help the children understand their responsibilities towards their society and their country. A puppet show was also organised by the teachers.

Leonora Mendis CT 3 Rigel, Beena Ajay CT Nursery Orange



Heritage Day (12th January):

Heritage Day was celebrated by the students of Classes 1 to 5. The students were shown a documentary on the various heritage monuments in our country with a focus on valuing and preserving them. The students were encouraged to visit some of the heritage sites in and around Pune.

Annie Fernandes CT 2 Vega



Cleanliness Pledge (28th January):

The Swachhata Ambassador Committee administered the Swachhta pledge to monitor cleanliness and hygiene at the institution. Students were motivated to devote two hours each week towards keeping their surroundings clean and encourage hundred other persons to do the same. Students can register themselves and upload their cleanliness activities on www.mygov.in



Martyr's Day (29th-30th January):

A special assembly was conducted to pay homage to all the "fallen but not forgotten heroes of our country". A PPT was shown on Siachen, one of the most difficult locations of our brave soldiers. The Orbians paid homage by observing a two-minute silence in memory of all the martyrs. The importance of freedom and spirit for duty towards the nation was the topic of discussion for the day.

Shalini Singh CT 3 Vega, Leonora Mendis CT 3 Rigel





	TOS 1			TOS 2		
HOUSE	Orbisports (1-9)	Patriotic Song Competition	Orb of Fame Champions	Orbisports (1-5)	Kite Making Competition	Orb of Fame Champions
EXPLORERS	3	3	1	1	2	2
GUARDIANS	4	4	3	3	3	4
INNOVATORS	2	1	4	2	4	1
VANGUARDS	1	1	2	4	1	3

9th SOF International Mathematics Olympiad Medal Winners

TOS 1					TOS 2				
Class	Name	School Rank	State Rank	Medal	Class	Name	School Rank	State Rank	Medal
1	Sharanya Konjeti	1	5	Zonal Silver Medal	1	Sahasra Marri	1	58	Gold
	Ayush Jain	2	25	Gold Medal		Athrav Ghiya	2	115	Silver
	Darsh Vijay	3	68	Silver		Shrimoyee Chattopadhyay	3	182	Bronze
	Shlok Deshaval	4	105	Bronze	2	Nitya Bodhale	1	196	Gold
2	Akshara Rajaram	1	6	Zonal Bronze Medal		Siddhartha Nandimandalam	2	197	Silver
	Vedika.M	1	6	Zonal Bronze Medal	3	Samhita Kulkarni	3	270	Bronze
	Hari Ganapati	2	31	Gold		Kashyapi Mehta	1	17	Gold Qualified for L2
	Nishkarsh Kumar	3	42	Silver		Riddhima Jain	2	1269	Gold
3	Medha Mali	4	81	Bronze	4	Hamsika Pochiraju	3	1439	Silver
	Praket Singh Thakur	1	57	Gold		Sahasra Musalikunta	1	783	Gold
	Anvi Parode	2	101	Silver	4				
	Pratik Bendgude	3	133	Bronze					
4	Manav Sharma	1	13	Gold					
	Arnav Sirigere	2	30	Silver					
	Aditya Shah	3	99	Silver					
	Prisha Loya	4	106	Bronze					
5	Apoorva Santosh	3	1156	Gold	5				
	Aayush Kumar	1	426	Silver					
	Saksham Singh	2	673	Bronze					

18th SOF National Science Olympiad Medal Winners

TOS 1					TOS 2				
Class	Name	School Rank	State Rank	Medal	Class	Name	School Rank	State Rank	Medal
1	Shrestha Sharma	1	105	Gold	1	Shrimoyee Chattopadhyay	1	115	Gold
	Shourya Singh	2	143	Silver		Adrija Sinha	1	137	Gold
	Siya Kalami	3	149	Bronze	2	Nitya Bodhale	2	156	Silver
2	Aditi Nair	1	82	Gold		Soham Memon	2	156	Silver
	Jhanvi Pendyala	2	93	Silver		Tanmayee Upadhyaya	3	475	Bronze
	Priya Jha	3	109	Bronze	3	Kashyapi Mehta	1	42	Gold
3	Om U Barge	1	117	Gold					
	Praketh Singh Takur	2	128	Silver	4				
	Meenakshi Takur	3	151	Bronze					
4	Laksh Khandelwal	1	148	Gold					
	Aditya Shah	2	141	Silver					
	Arnav Siligere	3	142	Bronze	5				
5	Harshita Singh	1	218	Gold					
	Saksham Kumar Singh	2	226	Silver					
	Dev Bhaskar	3	300	Bronze					

Young Achievers Many Congratulations!



Akshara Jain of class 1 Vega has secured 3rd position in the under 8 Inline category at the Youngest Fastest Skater Competition 2016 which is a National Level Skating Carnival conducted by Sportytude.



Rithul Seetharaman from Class 4 Sirius won the Bronze medal in the Pune District Skating Championship in his age and category (500 meters) conducted last month.



Manav Jadhav of class 6 Deneb made his way to the finals of the Inter State Aqua Robots Competition, in the Senior Group after clinching the city winners title.



Impressions and Expressions

Who am I

P- Proud of being a reader

R- Rowing a boat on a river of books is my dream

I - I love reading

Y-Yelling at books is a crime for me

A- Always reading

Priya Dharawat, Class 7 Vega

Thunder is a wonder

The light is fast and the sound is slow

The volume of it should be a little low

The small babies start to cry

Oh My!

It's a light and sound bundle

But I think thunder is a wonder.

Manya Sehgal, Class 4 Sirius

My Car

I've invented a car to take us all far,

It's different but best for a road of tar.

I made it for a racing championship,

at our summer camp base.

It is made of steel,

It also has four wheels,

I've inserted a nitro,

So it goes fast than a metro.

I've inserted a motor

It is a classic roller.

Ansh Talwar, Class 7 Sirius



Festivities

Festivities bring enjoyment and colours for our life. It preserves our culture and also keeps us bright and happy. We celebrate Makar Sankranti. The day begins with a bath in a river or a tank when the water is offered to the Sun God. People celebrate this festival with great joy. In Maharashtra, people exchange sesame seeds. In Gujarat, kite flying festivals takes place. In South India crops are harvested and Pongal festival is celebrated.

Siddhi Jaiswal Class 6 Sirius

Meher Doshi Class 6 Sirius

Ahanah Pirmohamed, Class 6 Deneb

Wall painting

Wall painting was organised during the winter break from 24th of December to 4th of January. There were eight people who volunteered to work as a team. Shahrukh sir and Tanya ma'am provided great support and guidance in painting. We thank the school for letting us have a wonderful experience.

Shital Rampure, Class 6 Deneb

Reading books

Reading books is a fascinating hobby. Reading books not only enrich one's vocabulary but also introduce to thinking. Libraries and bookstores are the powerhouses to fuel the habit of reading. Reading makes one skilful and resourceful. 'He who can read has four eyes.' So what are you waiting for, make a headstart today.

N Raghav, Class 7 Sirius

The Orbisports

The march past, the torch, the oath followed by competitive races and then the colourful drills and displays like zumba, yoga and karate were all a delight to see. The canteen provided refreshments. The sportive parents also took part in parents' race enthusiastically. The events ended with the announcement of the winning houses followed by the National Anthem. It was indeed an exhilarating day for all the proud Orbian who kept the spirit of sportsmanship high.

Arnav Sirigere, Aman Pathan, Neha Varadarajan, Vidhi Vikas Undre, Class 4-Sirius

What I wish for my country

I want my country neat and clean. I want people not to spit on the roads as they make our country dirty. I want my country with more plants and trees. I want the country's citizens to be more sensitive to the environment. I want my country to be among the top countries of the world. As students, let us take a pledge today that we will bring about the change that we wish to see. Afterall we are the face of our country.

Poushali Parida Class 4 Deneb

Facts about Republic Day:

- January 26, 1930 was earlier celebrated as India's Independence Day or Purna Swaraj Day. It's the day India decided to fight for complete freedom.
- After we achieved Independence on August 15 in 1947, our leaders wanted January 26 to be remembered in history as well. Therefore, the day was made to coincide with the day of Swaraj.
- The first Republic Day was celebrated on January 26, 1950, three years after we got independence.
- Republic Day Celebrations are a 3-day long affair.
- The first R-Day parade at Rajpath was held in 1955.
- A Christian song, Abide With Me, is played at the Republic Day Parade. It is believed to be one of Mahatma Gandhi's favourite songs.
- India's Constitution is the longest in the world. It has a total of 448 articles.
- Drafting the Constitution was a herculean task. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar took 2 years and 11 months to draft the Indian Constitution.
- A majority of national awards such as Bharat Ratna, Padma Bhushan and Kirti Chakra are awarded during the Republic Day ceremony.



Personality of the month

Lt. Gen. Jacob Farj Rafael "JFR", an Indian Army Lieutenant General, was best known for the role he played in India's victory in the Indo-Pakistan War of 1971 and the Liberation of Bangladesh.

He was born in Kolkata in 1923. His father, Elias Emanuel, was an affluent businessman. At the age of nine he was sent to Victoria School, in Kurseong near Darjeeling. He graduated from Officer's Training School Mhow in 1942 and was posted to northern Iraq. In 1943, he was transferred to an Artillery brigade that was dispatched to North Africa. After World War II, Jacob attended and graduated from artillery schools in England and the United States, specialising in advanced artillery and missiles. He returned to India following the partition, and joined the Indian Army. During the Indo-Pakistani War of 1965, he commanded an infantry division, which later became 12th Infantry Division. During this period, he composed an Indian Army manual on desert warfare. In 1967, he was promoted to Major General and in 1969, he was appointed Chief of Staff, Eastern Command. He was soon busy dealing with the mounting insurgencies in Nagaland, Manipur, and Mizoram.

As the Chief of Staff of the Indian Army's Eastern Command during the 1971 India-Pakistan war that led to the formation of independent Bangladesh, he gained prominence and was awarded a commendation of merit for his role. He also served as the governor of Goa and Punjab.

Lt Gen JFR Jacob (retd), the 93-year-old passed away at the Research and Referral Army Hospital on January 13, 2015.

Sarah Koshy CT 3 Sirius



Virtue Alone Ennobles



Leadership

Here is what Alexander the great said about leadership, "I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep, I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion." Such is the power of leadership. Ever since we learnt to speak and work together certain members of the race have sought to become leaders, have come forward and led the group. A leader always leads the way by his actions and people follow. A true leader is the one who leads by example. Leadership, therefore is a trait by which people trust the actions of an individual and follow him. The best leadership is the one wherein you empower people and create more leaders.



Teachers' Corner

Workshop - Social Science (28th January)

A workshop was conducted by 23.4 for the social science department. Mrs. Kavya Anklekar, Mrs. Shefali Ambasta and Mrs. Sarah Koshy of TOS I attended the same. It was indeed an enriching experience for the faculty members as topics like Research in Pedagogy, Methodologies in teaching, Classroom management, Flipped classroom, classroom rules and teaching for understanding were discussed in detail. Methodologies like the K-W-L-H method, Graphic organisers, blended learning, Venn diagram and photo analysis were shared.

Sarah Koshy CT 3 Sirius

Workshop - Mathematics (28th - 29th January)

CBSE conducted a very informative workshop "CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME" for Mathematics facilitators at APS Ahmednagar. The programme was attended by 130 facilitators from 64 CBSE affiliated schools across the state of Maharashtra. There were two mathematics experts who covered topics such as Lesson Planning, Formative Assessment and Summative Assessment as well as marking scheme for Class X. Handouts were provided by the facilitators. It was a very enriching session.

Suneetha Vattikuti, ST Mathematics

Parents' Prerogative

Orbisports 2015-16 was held on a sunny day with a little chill in the air. The stadium where the event was held wore a festive look with flags and bunting making everyone eager for the event to begin. The day began with March past followed by track and field events. Students stole the heart of the spectators with their well synchronised yogic exercises. Older children also enthralled the audience with their gymnastics. It was a sight to see the enthusiastic efforts of the volunteers who played a great role in making the event successful. Thus ended a memorable Sports Day which we shall long remember.

Mr. Sushil Masaldan, Grandfather of Ayush Vatal, 9 Vega, TOS 1

Preprimary Orbisports 2015-2016 was a wonderful performance and a great event. It was amazing to see the efforts taken by all and thanks a lot to the school and teachers for giving such opportunities.

Mrs. Kirti Burad- Parent Samkit Burad, Sr. KG Apple TOS 2

Orbitria

It is always a great privilege to attend any event at the Orbis School. The first thing that I get impressed by is the punctuality. All the events always start right on time. The amount of detailed planning, dedication and hard work by the teachers and the students is remarkably visible throughout the event. Even the youngest of the kids make no mistake. I was quite surprised when my daughter told me 2 years back that they were given training on how to go on the stage and receive their medals.

Talking about Orbitria in specific, the whole event looked very professional. Most surprising thing was that the direction, music, props everything was done in house, without outside professional help and still looked so professional. Many congratulations to the team.

I feel we are very lucky that our kids study in the school.

Mrs. Poonam Doshi, Parent of Mehek Doshi 6 Sirius and Riya Doshi 3 Sirius, TOS 1

I can do it!

- 1) Where was Lt General JFR Jacob born?
- 2) For what achievement is Lt General JFR Jacob best known for?
- 3) What about his life and work inspires you?



Upcoming Events

Please refer to school calendar on the school website for upcoming events. The school specific URLs are:

TOS 1:
<http://www.theorbisschool.com/images/eventfiles/14.pdf>

TOS 2:
<http://www.theorbisschool.com/images/eventfiles/13.pdf>



From the Editorial Team



"When the means by which we learn overshadows the natural learning process of the whole being and denies parts of ourselves, then education is no longer a tool. Instead, education then becomes a master and inhibits a deeper learning process that includes mind, body, spirit, and all aspects of our experience as human beings on Earth." We can begin shifting the conventional ideas of education into more conscious and co-creative forms that can bring about real changes by helping our children and ourselves realise and manifest our innate potential.

Happy reading!

Chief Editor- Seeta Venkateswaran

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Associate Editor TOS2- Shalini Singh

Student Editors : The Editorial Club members



Thought for the month

"If our lives scream out, 'love, kindness, joy, hope, forgiveness' they will definitely be echoed back. So, go ahead and live out loud and bring back a beautiful echo, echo, echo."

