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From the Principal's Desk

Examination is drudgery, an ordeal, a stress, a killjoy, that keeps all good things of life at bay; is the common opinion. Really? Or does the 'demon' have more than this one sided perception and considerable merit, that is going unnoticed? To begin with, the proposition of a test was never meant to be a hassle or strain but to be a building block that stimulates to stretch the visible horizon. Who would otherwise put oneself through the mill to be a Usain Bolt or a Michael Phelps, if there were no Olympics, no stage to compete? How would extraordinary answers be found if there were no inspiring questions? Think.

Knowing in itself is a reward but examination brings in the challenge: like in puzzles and riddles. It makes smart with its inherent push for better understanding and hence, better skills to analyse and create. The discipline it demands gives a new high, an adrenaline rush, when the mission is complete and on time. The possibility to chance upon stimulating information while researching, collaborative learning and making new friends in the process, getting special adulation and attention for burning the midnight oil, finding answers to, 'let me see if you can answer that?' by the assessor or teacher is sheer jubilation; marks and grades are just a byproduct. Besides, our preparedness to face formal assessment comes handy while dealing with life as a whole that is never without a new test at every step. While we may believe we don't like examination, little do we realise, it is this, we want all the time. A mundane life doesn't thrill us. Actors crave for complex roles, scientists wait for more fundings to labour more and test more, businessmen feel accomplished when risks are greater, every player in the contention prays hard for a seat in the final squad which is but a test of nerves, students work to earn a seat in high stake competitions...in other words, we all want to be put to the test, whether by others or imposed by self.

Strength of mind is exercise, not rest, and examination is one of those exercises. Let us give examination its due. Let us appreciate it as our critic and guide that warns when we slip and invigorates when on the right footing. Let us celebrate examinations!

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Big News!

The Annual Speech and Prize Distribution Day



The Annual Speech and Prize Distribution Day, Orbitria, celebrated the achievements, value additions and growth plan of the Orbis Schools, Keshavnagar and Mundhwa, as the Principal presented the annual report of the academic session, 2016-17. The event conducted at Mahatma Phule Sanskriti Bhawan, with distinguished guests, parents and students as the audience, then awarded the students who have displayed excellence and have performed outstandingly in different areas of learning. The day also felicitated the staff, teachers, admin and help, for outstanding services. The senior students of both the schools, later, celebrated the life and work of the iconic poet and playwright, William Shakespeare, who chiseled the art of drama and changed the face of English Literature, surpassing his contemporaries and setting almost unbeatable standards for his successors. The theatrical presentation brought on stage three of his plays; the comedy, The Twelfth Night, the game of power and passion, Julius Caesar and the tale of wit and wisdom, The Merchant of Venice. The grand presentation and performances were applauded by all. We thank Mr. Kaiser Dopaishi, Principal of Singapore International School and President of South Asia IB School Association, for gracing the occasion as the chief guest. We also express gratitude towards the parents who have been actively involved with the school programmes throughout the year.



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Being a Part of the Solution

The Orbis initiative to responsibly manage our plastic waste is yielding good results. The schools, between September and February, have collected and handed over a total of 296 kilograms of plastic waste, that has been generated in our houses to Rudra Environmental Solutions. This has helped in reduction of 1776 kg of carbon dioxide emission into our atmosphere. Keep the good work Orbians! We thank the parents for being active partners in the initiative.



Flavours from our orchard

Outdoor and Indoor Games (30th January - 10th February):

Our young Orbians had two special weeks, full of fun and strength boosting activities. During circle time they learned about different games, their names, rules of play and then participated in many of those. They also enjoyed unique races which helped them develop gross motor skills. They were excited to spend more time than usual, in the play pen, with their buddies. They were also busy playing different types of indoor games, like passing the parcel, quizzing, puzzles, clay moulding and musical chairs.

Deepa Nair, CT Jr. KG. Strawberry

Orbisports Kids: Fitness First (13th - 17th February):

The Pre Primary Annual Athletic Meet is always a splendid occasion for the children to showcase their spirit, speed and agility on the field, where they participate in the drills and track and field events. The big day that had all parents seated all around the field to witness their wards in action, started with colourful balloons being released by the students. The drills with props such as pom-poms and dumb bells was perfectly executed and greatly appreciated. Races such as 'Cleanathon', 'Go Green' and 'Guardians' added more to the learning of values. The children were happy for themselves and others as the winners received medals. The volunteers from the primary wing displayed spectacular discipline and responsibility in managing the props and organising all events. The day also reinforced that a good diet and exercises should be included in our daily routine to become stronger and swifter.



Vehicles (20th - 24th February):

The Pre primary section thoroughly enjoyed learning about the different kinds of vehicles that run on land, water and in the sky. Further the students learned the art of making submarine with glaze paper and they pasted the same in the scrap book. New rhymes on vehicles were recited by all.

Riya Jagwani, CT Sr. KG. Strawberry



I Grow More, I Know More

CCADisplay - Classes 1 - 8 (8th February):

Term 2 ended fabulously with a myriad of displays by the students of different CCA Clubs. The Quiz club conducted a live quiz to exhibit their organisational skills and knowledge. The Recitation Club recited the poems learnt poems. The Reading Club highlighted their research on what good and sensible reading means. Interact club informed us about their association with the social awareness drives undertaken by them. The Disaster Management Club presented a mock display to save oneself during an earthquake and they also shared with the students how to use a first-aid kit. The Instrumental Club played a few melodies and ended the programme gracefully.



Farewell - Class 10 (11th February):

The first batch of class 10 students were showered with good wishes for the forthcoming examination, as a memorable day was hosted in their honour, by their juniors. The celebrations began with each class 10 Orbian walking in, perfectly dressed, for the occasion. The solemn blessings session had prayers read out by the teachers for strength, success and a glorious future. Each student received a citation that aptly brought forward a pen picture of their achievements and potentials. There were special awards for being the Most Popular, the Perfectionist, the Happiest, the Star Performer, the Super Sportsperson, the Most Creative and of course for the Ms. and Mr. Orbis. A questionnaire, followed by a question answer round on stage, decided the winners. Heart touching thank you speeches by the students, singing and dancing and then a formal lunch were the other highlights of the day. The class 10 students appreciated the efforts put in by their juniors and promised to bring glory to themselves and the institution. This is the first batch of class 10 here at the Orbis. We wish all to keep them in their prayers and wish them success.

Robokidz Premier League Competition (11th- 12th February):

The students from classes 4-9 participated in Robokidz Premier League held at Seasons Mall, Magarpatta. The theme was Robo Soccer: Wired/Wireless Robots. The Robot had to move around, grab the ball and kick it into the goal. Each Game was moderated and reviewed by a panel of judges. The ultimate objective was to score maximum number of goals. Our students displayed great skills in handling the robots, both wired and wireless. They made it to the qualifying round, held on Feb 12th and also qualified for the National Round to be held in the month of April in Pune. Many congratulations to all the participants for their achievements. We also wish good luck to the students for the National round. *For details see I Did It!*

Visit to Suhana Warehouse and Suhana Ecofarm (17th February):

Times-NiE organised a visit to Suhana Warehouse for teachers and students of various schools in Pune. The hallmark of this event was to fortify the skills of children as we boarded on a guided tour of the fully automated manufacturing unit at Suhana Warehouse located in Bhuleshwar, Hadapsar industrial estate. The best practices like their eco-farm which grows crops organically, the chemical free pesticides and insecticides, zero waste generation were all highlighted. The day ended with a delicious lunch which was prepared from their farm produce. Overall, this trip was fruitful for both the teachers and children, where we interacted with nature and learned eco friendly practices.

Anupriya Iyer, CT9 Sirius



Release the Examination Stress:

Examination can always take the stress meter soaring up. Every student who aims to become a high-achiever experiences anxiety during this time that leads to mental and physical pressure. But then are ways to beat it. The House Information Boards brainstormed on the above topic and in a nutshell pictorially displayed ways and means to release the examination stress through quotes and pictures that provide solutions. It was indeed an eye catching display by all the houses that enabled the students to pragmatically present their creative thoughts and celebrate examination.

Sarah Koshy, CT 6 Deneb



Personality of the month

Donald John Trump is an American businessman, television personality, politician, and the 45th President of the United States.

He was born in Jamaica, Queens, New York City where he lived until the age of 13 when he enrolled in the New York Military Academy. Trump received an economics degree from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1968. In 1971, he took charge of his family's real estate and construction firm, Elizabeth Trump & Son, which was later renamed The Trump Organization. During his business career, Trump built, renovated, and managed numerous office towers, hotels, casinos, and golf courses. He has lent the use of his name in the branding of various products. He owned the Miss USA and Miss Universe pageants from 1996 to 2015, and he hosted The Apprentice, a reality television series on NBC, from 2004 to 2015. As of 2016, Forbes listed him as the 324th wealthiest person in the world and 113th richest in the United States, with a net worth of \$4.5 billion.

Trump sought the Reform Party's presidential nomination in 2000, but withdrew before voting began. He considered running as a Republican for the 2012 election, but ultimately decided against it. In June 2015, he announced his candidacy for the 2016 election, and quickly emerged as the front-runner among 17 candidates in the Republican primaries. His final opponents suspended their campaigns in May 2016, and in July he was formally nominated at the Republican National Convention along with Mike Pence as his running mate. His campaign received unprecedented media coverage and international attention. He became the oldest and wealthiest person to assume the presidency, the first without prior military or government service. His positions have been described by scholars and commentators as populist, protectionist, and nationalist.

Donald Trump



Shreshtha Sharma 2 Vega



Saanvi Shingate Jr.Kg Mango



Harshita Priyadarshni 6 Vega



Mehek Doshi 7 Sirius



And the celebration of learning continues at The Orbis School Pune Two

The Orbis School Pune 2

CCADisplay (7th - 8th February):

A scintillating display of all co-curricular club activities was held over a period of two days, culminating in the Atrium on the final day. The Instrumental Club showcased the beauty of form, melody and rhythmic intricacy which kept the audience spellbound. The Dance Club performed on foot-tapping numbers and patriotic songs and showcased their coordinated moves coupled with awareness of various dance forms from around the world. The Editorial Club read out many articles penned by children, some of which have made it to the columns of local dailies as well. Students of Gymnastics Club performed cartwheels, front roll, back roll and some amazing stunts. The Archery Club had many children aiming for the Bull's Eye. The Drama Club staged a comical skit involving courtroom drama. Art and Craft Club, Fine Arts Club and the Heritage Club also showcased their best works. The presence of these clubs is a great learning opportunity for all.



Show Time (13th February - 17th February):

Each day of this week, the kindergarteners enjoyed watching Smart Board educational videos that brought to them stories from far and near, poems and animations on weekly themes from the start of the session till date. It was a play way method to help recapitulate new learnings and enjoy it too.

Reena Anthony, CT Jr.KG Mango



Vehicles (20th February - 24th February):

To acquaint our young learners with the theme 'Vehicles', the facilitators took the children to the parking area, where they were introduced to different vehicles like cycle, scooter, rickshaw, car and bus. They were excited to explore and count the wheels of each vehicle and to count the number of passengers each vehicle could carry. The various modes of transportation were also introduced through a show and tell activity by the Senior Kindergarten children in the special assembly. The teacher spoke about the traffic rules and its importance. The entire week was indeed, an informative and effective learning for our tiny tots.

Beena Ajay, CT Nursery Orange



Club of the month

Reading Club

Books are not only the best friend of a child but are also gifts of learning that can enrich and improve lives. The objective of the Reading club is to reintroduce children to the world of reading, inculcate a steady reading habit and to encourage them to read different styles of books. It's a step towards developing love for reading along with imparting the skills to read better.

The club members from class 7 to 8 loved reading books by famous authors, J K Rowling, Rick Riordan, Enid Blyton and R L Stine, whereas children from class 4, 5, 6 read books from Amar Chitra Katha Series, Mira magazine, Magic tree house series etc. Children submitted book reviews and also presented them in front of others.

We had a guest speaker, Kavana Anklekar, the young writer from our school who has already published her writings. She inspired children with her words and inspired young children to write articles. The word WRITE, she told them stands for:

W - Wonder

R - Reading

I - Imagine

T - Trespass your boundaries

E - Explore and Enjoy.

Special Assemblies



World Day of Social Justice (20th February):

"With exclusion and inequality on the rise we must slip up efforts to ensure that all people, without discrimination are able to access equal opportunities." A special assembly was conducted by students of 6 Vega to build awareness and sensitise young minds about injustice, racism, and any form of discrimination that hampers the growth of our society. The students enacted an excerpt from 'Journey to Johannesburg' by Beverly Naidoo. This was followed by a discussion on the leaders, who were the torchbearers of the anti-apartheid movement viz. Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. This also helped the students to develop respect for their peers, helpers and all fellow beings around us.

Meghna Sarangabharathi, CT 6 Vega, TOS2



Special Assembly on Pollution (8th February):

Pollution is one of the greatest environmental issues all over the world. It is affecting the lives of human beings as well as other living beings adversely. The students of Class 3 organized an informative assembly on this topic. They spoke in detail about the various ways in which our environment is getting polluted. They presented practical solutions through eye catching charts and quotes. The students also suggested various ways towards sustainable lifestyles to prevent this brutal abuse of our environment. The assembly in totality was well articulated and the flawless pronunciation was noteworthy.

Kaveri Venkatesh, CT 2 Polaris, TOS1

Exams and grades are temporary, but education is permanent.

Ways to Prepare for Examinations

1. Give yourself enough time to study
2. Organize your study space
3. Use flow charts and diagrams
4. Explain your answers to others

5. Organize study groups and friends
6. Take regular breaks
7. Plan your exam day
8. Drink lot of water





Our Green Ways

NATURE CLUB on ECO-TOURISM

Ecotourism refers to a form of tourism in which the main motivation of the tourist is the observation and appreciation of the nature along with experiencing the tradition and culture prevailing in a natural area. It creates employment and income opportunities for the locals, especially the youth and thus, they become more keen and aware about the protection of the natural and cultural assets in their region.

The Nature Club students, from classes 4 to 8, were provided with information on ecotourism and its benefits. An interesting activity of making brochures describing the flora and fauna and culture of different regions brought in new learning. All completed the task very enthusiastically and dressed up the information board to share it with others.



I did it Orb of Fame 2016-17:

Various Inter House events and competitions were organised across a host of disciplines, keeping in mind the need to establish a healthy competitive approach and camaraderie. The spirit to compete fiercely but fairly, being humble in victory and gracious in defeat, were the focus all along.

Here is how the final tally of championship stood in the academic year 2016-17. The coveted Orb of Fame Trophy being lifted by the Innovators both at TOS1 and TOS2, achieving the maximum points on the Orb of Fame scoreboard.

Congratulations to the students and teachers for fantastic participation!

TOS1	Champion House	Individual Colours				
Events		Classes 1 and 2	Classes 3 and 4	Classes 5 and 6	Classes 7 and 8	Classes 9 and 10
Public Speaking	Innovators	Daya Vijayaraghavan - 1 Sirius	Sharmishta Sarin - 3 Vega	Aditi Singh - 6 Vega	Priya Bhavesh Dharavat - 8 Vega	Darshan Ravindra Rao - 10 Vega
Creative Writing	Explorers	Shreya Yashwant Sawant - 2 Sirius	Jhanvi Sanjana Pendyala - 3 Vega	Neha Varadharajan - 5 Sirius	Kavana Kiran Anklekar - 8 Sirius	Fawzaan Shaikh - 10 Vega
Quizzes	Innovators	Avi Sheth - 1 Sirius	Pruthviraj Vijay Chavan - 3 Rigel	Siddharth Singh Gautam - 6 Vega	Eeshaan Chavan - 7 Deneb	Sunreet Khanna - 9 Sirius
IBA and Creative Design	Innovators	Shrestha Sharma - 2 Vega	Kaarunya Anklekar - 3 Antares	Kanakdeep Kaur Sohal - 5 Sirius	Prapti Dutta - 7 Vega	Divya Kumhar - 9 Vega
Dramatics	Guardians	Keya Kamat - 1 Sirius	Priya Jha	Dhairya Sharda	N. Raghav	Darshan Gund - 9 Vega
Dance	Explorers	Lakshita Pattnaik - 2 Sirius	Tvisha Nakul Sharma - 4 Deneb	Manan Srivastava - 6 Sirius	Ritika Sachin Dhole - 7 Sirius	Tanaya Singh - 9 Sirius
Music	Innovators	Poojan Modi - 1 Rigel	Swarali Shripad Puranik - 4 Sirius	Harsha Vaidyanathan - 6 Sirius	Durga Jaideep Patil - 7 Vega	Ashish B. S. - 9 Sirius
Cricket	Explorers	NA	Parth Deepak Patel - 4 Vega	Sahil Walia - 6 Sirius	Akshit Bapurao Kshirsagar - 7 Sirius	Manas Raj - 10 Vega
Football	Innovators	Aarush Kavindera Srivastava - 2 Deneb	Jinay Saraf - 4 Vega	Maanav Sharma - 5 Deneb	Videep Gupta - 7 Sirius	Mihir Dangwal - 10 Vega
Basketball	Innovators	Rishabh Ganesh - 1 Sirius	Owaiz Khan Pathan - 4 Vega	Justin Masri - 6 Vega	Jordan Al Masri - 7 Sirius	Nidhi Patel - 9 Sirius
Athletics	Vanguards	Ananya Gadekar - 2 Deneb	Sayaji Gaikwad - 4 Rigel	Pravir Singh - 6 Deneb	Simran Srivastava - 7 Vega	Raj Pandey - 10 Vega
Martial Arts	Vanguards	Nimish Ninad Parundekar - 2 Vega	Geet Ajay Lunkad - 3 Polaris	Aaditya Nirav Shah - 5 Rigel	Kausthubh Gurade - 7 Deneb	Kashish Tahiliani - 10 Vega
Throwball	Innovators	NA	NA	Anahita Gambhir - 6 Deneb	Bhargavi Panpaliya - 7 Deneb	Prajakta Lahane - 9 Vega
Archery	NA	NA	Atharva Prashant Dalvi - 4 Antares	Parth Umeshkumar Bapte - 6 Vega	Goraksha Kamlesh Gund - 7 Deneb	Nandini Vinod Jadhav - 10 Vega
Skating	Explorers	Haren Sharma - 1 Sirius	Riya Vikesh Doshi - 4 Sirius	Rithul Seetharaman - 5 Sirius	Farhaan Ashfaq Ahmed Shaikh - 8 Vega	Tanaya Singh - 9 Sirius
Indoor	Innovators/	Nandika - 1 Polaris	Arnav Dughrekar - 3	Purva Deshpande - 6	Arti Verma - 8 Vega	Aditya Verma - 9 Sirius
Academics	Innovators					
Leadership	Explorers					
THE ORB OF FAME	Innovators					

TOS 1 Pre Primary Winners:

	BEST IN SCHOLASTICS	BEST IN CO-SCHOLASTICS	BEST IN VALUES AND ATTITUDE
Play group	Paridhi Tivari - PG Apple	Paridhi Tivari - PG Apple	Advika Edlabadkar - PG Apple
Nursery	Anushka Sharma - Nursery Kiwi	Shashwat Gandhale - Nursery Orange	Khushi Lillaney - Nursery Apple
Jr. KG	Dhruv Shrivastava - Jr. KG Apple	Saanvi Shingate - Jr. KG Mango	Tanvi Kumar Belhekar - Jr. KG Mango
Sr. KG	Savi Arvind Bogewar - Sr. KG Orange	Lakshyaraj Singh - Sr. KG Orange	Aarushi Shah - Sr. KG Apple

TOS 2: Events	Champion House	Individual Colours			
		Class 1and 2	Class3 and 4	Classes 5 and 6	Classes 7 and 8
Public Speaking	Explorers	Rhythm Kaul - 1Vega	Vyom Chehal - 4 Vega	Sahil Shaheena - 6 Vega	Meghna Chatterjee -8 Vega
Creative Writing	Innovators	Aarya Jadhav -2 Vega	Joshua G Koshy -4 Vega	Sahasra Musalikunta -6 Vega	Toyesh Ghadge - 7 Vega
Quizzes	Explorers/ Innovators	Samkit Burad - 1 Vega	-	Tanishq Kothari - 5 Vega	Meghna Chatterjee -8 Vega
IBA and creative design	Guardians	Samyak Raut - 2 Vega	Shilpi Mukherjee - 3 Vega	Sakshi Agarwal - 6 Vega	Meghna Chatterjee -8 Vega
Dramatics		-		Sakshi Agarwal - 6 Vega	Arinjay Nair - 8 Vega
Dance	Vanguards	Jalashree Modesara	Adrija Sinha	Tejas Khodade	Rujul Gorghate
Music	Vanguards	Tanishka Pole - 1 Deneb	Ekgara Mishra - 3 Sirius	Aditya Upadhyaya - 6 Vega	Harsh Preet Singh - 8 Vega
Cricket	Innovators	-	Sai Katkar - 4 Vega	Manish Patil - 6 Vega	Tushar Yada - 7 Vega
Football	Explorers/ Innovators /	Priyaank. A Rao - 2 Vega	Vyom Chehal 4 Vega	Parth Bhurewar - 5 Vega	Arinjay Nair 8 Vega
Basketball	Innovators	Darshil Yadav - 1 Deneb	Siddhartha Nandimandalam	Sahasra Musalikunta 6 Vega	Toyesh Ghadge 7 Vega
Athletics	Vanguards	Pushkar Kolhe - 2 Sirius	Sai Katkar 4 Vega	Manthan Kedare 4Vega	Harsh Preet Singh - 8 Vega
Martial Arts	Innovators	Aarohi Abhimanyu - 2 Vega	Ishan Tirpude - 3 Sirius	Parth Bhurewar 5 Vega	-
Skating	Vanguards	Falak Morkhandikar - 2 Sirius	Om Mahesh Howale 3 Sirius	Tejas Khodade 6 Vega	Rujul Gorghate 7 Vega
Indoor Games/ Chess	Explorers	Varad. L. Limkar - 1 Sirius	Medha Tewary 4 Vega	Tatvik Ajmera 6 Vega	Vinit Bhanushali 8 Vega
Academics	Guardians				
THE ORB OF FAME	Innovators				

	BEST IN SCHOLASTICS	BEST IN CO-SCHOLASTICS	BEST IN VALUES AND ATTITUDE
Play group	Rudra Aralekar - PG Orange	Anishk Singh- PG Orange	Aaradhya Bhongale- PG Apple
Nursery	Bhargav Rane- Nursery Apple	Aniket Singh - Nursery Orange	Anwesha Joshi - Nursery Orange
Jr. KG	Sanvi Patidar Jr. KG Mango	Sankalp Yadav- Jr. KG Apple	Riya Patil- Jr. KG Orange
Sr. KG	Anya Jain - Sr. KG Apple	Sana Kalyan - Sr. KG Mango	Sahil Pradhan - Sr. KG Mango



AITSE-2016

The students from classes 4-8 appeared for AITSE - 2016 examination. All the students received certificates of participation and the following students were awarded the Gold and Silver Medals.

TOS 1

S. no	Name of the Student	Class	Medal
1	Mihika Rawat	4 Deneb	Silver
2	Om Barangale	4 Deneb	Silver
3	Parthiv Doddarapu	4 Rigel	Silver
4	Praket Singh Thakur	4 Rigel	Gold
5	Vedant Jaiswal	4 Deneb	Gold
6	Aaditya Nirav Shah	5 Rigel	Gold
7	Maanav Sharma	5 Deneb	Gold
8	Piyush Shrivastava	5 Sirius	Silver
9	Rithul Seetharaman	5 Sirius	Silver
10	Krish Techchandani	6 Vega	Silver
11	Riya Ashutosh Kulkarni	6 Deneb	Silver
12	Manan Anurag Agarwal	7 Sirius	Silver
13	Muskaan Pradeep Awasthi	7 Sirius	Silver
14	Ishika Gupta	7 Sirius	Silver
15	Kavana Kiran Anklekar	8 Sirius	Silver
16	Khushi Agarwal	8 Sirius	Silver
17	Mehul Vinay Vaidya	8 Vega	Silver
18	Pramit Bhatia	9 Sirius	Silver
19	Sunreet Khanna	9 Sirius	Gold
20	Kaunain Fathima Altaf Muni	10 Vega	Silver
21	Padmavati Kirtkumar Mistry	10 Vega	Silver

TOS 2

S. no	Name of the Student	Class	Medal
1	Driti Pagunta	4 Vega	Silver
2	Mannya Ashar	5 Vega	Silver
3	Tanishq Kotha	5 Vega	Silver
4	Afzal Shaheena	7 Vega	Silver

Here are some special achievements of our students that happened beyond the school premises, Inter School, Inter City or Open competitions! We applaud the effort. Keep Shining!

Results of Robokidz Premier League Competition (11th February):
The Robotics Premier League - Pune Zonal Round Competition-7th Edition, titled 'Robo Soccer-Wired and Wireless saw the following students making it to the qualifying round:

1. Manan Agarwal - 7 Sirius, TOS1
2. Sumedh Bajagur - 5 Vega, TOS1
3. Ansh Rawat - 6 Vega, TOS1
4. Udit Ramteke - 6 Vega, TOS1
5. Tatvik Ajmera - 6 Vega, TOS2
6. Afzal Shaheena - 7 Vega, TOS 2
7. Arinjay Nair - 8 Vega, TOS2

In the quarterfinals held on February 12th, the following qualified for the National round, to be held in the month of April.

1. Sumedh Bajagur - 5 Vega, TOS1
2. Udit Ramteke - 6 Vega, TOS1

Open Interschool Roller Skating Championship 2017 (12th February):

Dhayari Pune, Poushali Parida of 5 Deneb, Ashwin Poddar of 4 Sirius and Samiksha Manoj Jain of 5 Deneb, TOS1, were awarded the first, third and the fifth position respectively, under the age category of 12 years. Manan Mayur Gupta of Jr KG - Apple, TOS2 was awarded the first position and a gold medal, all in the Recreational Inline Skating category, in the event organised by D.S.K Fast and Furious Skating Academy at D.S.K School, International Skating Track.

Open Invitational Roller Skating Championship 2017 (17th February):

Poushali Parida of 5 Deneb, TOS1, was awarded the first position at the Mahehsvari Vidya Pracharak Mandal Sanchalit organised by Mahesh Bal Bhavan under the age category of 10-12 years, in the recreational inline category.

Skateathlon and Waveboard Competition 2017 (12th February):

Niyati Maddi of 4 Antares TOS1, was awarded the third position and a bronze medal, under the age category of 8 years, in the fancy inline category, in the event organised by Skateathlon and Waveboard Sports Association of Pune District at Maharashtra Mandal Sports and Education Complex

22nd WFSKO Asian Open Invitational International Karate Championship 2017:

Aryan Yogesh Bapat of 4 Rigel, TOS1, was awarded the first position and a gold medal in the Individual Kata category, organised by World Funakoshi Shotokan Karate Organisation at Priyadarshini Sports Complex, P.K.Road, Mulund (W), Mumbai.

Victory Roller Skating Championship 2017 (26th February):

Poushali Parida of 5 Deneb, TOS1, was awarded the first position and a gold medal under the age category of 12 years, in the recreational inline category, organised by Skating Association of Pune at the Shri Shivaji Uday Mandal Skating Rink

Sarah Koshy, CT 6 Deneb, TOS 1



Impressions and Expressions

MY DEAR BROTHER

My dear brother,
Your name means sun.
Being around you is quite fun,
Know that you are a cherished one.

Your disposition is sunny,
Jokes cracked by you are funny.
Engineering is your passion,
You don't care about fashion.

You are very caring,
And at times also daring.
You've a personality so charming,
Towards which people come swarming.

In academics, so studious!
With promises, so fastidious.
My dear sun,
You are a cherished one!

Aanchal Gupta, Student, Class 8 Vega, TOS1

The Farewell

In living the due time of bidding adieu to our comrades, and reminisces of today in forthcoming decades, our juniors, the 9th class students really put up something to remember of. The words written by this pen cannot completely express all emotions felt by the 10th class students. Not to forget the inspirational speeches conveyed by Principal ma'am and Director sir. Those words surely inspired us to embark on a journey and be prepared for the adventure called "life".

The games, quizzes and speeches were worth spending those hours. The individual citations were words we will cherish for life. The next best part was the food. Different types of delicacies and mocktails brought more life to the event. Class 9 is truly worthy of applaus, appraisals and appreciations.

No matter how long we spend thanking, it won't be enough to compensate all the work done by the teachers and students. We will surely remember our teachers, friends and our alma mater. Thank You!
Fawzaan Shaikh, Student, Class 10 Vega, TOS1



The Way of Life

The way of life
So well so good it goes along
Not until you ride along
Say goodbye to the one's who hurt you
Because, they are the one's who hate you

Forget the past if it bothers you
Enjoy every moment as it comes along
Sing the song of your heart
It will help you fix up all your broken parts

Help anyone who comes by
For it will give you happiness and joy
Be, the one who you think you are
Not a puppet of someone else's thoughts
That will help you untie all the sad knots

People come, people go
But, the true one's are the one who stay by
your soul

Don't mind the one's who leave they were never meant to stay up your sleeve
Act dumb, silly, funny and lame
Be the who you think you could be
Because you were not born to be perfect
You were born to be real!
Ishika Busi, Student, Class 9 Sirius, TOS1

My mom

It all starts on the day you open your eyes,
Look up and see a lady, staring at you like she has won a prize.
You don't know her, but why? Oh, why?
You know she is going to love you, till the day you die.

We have come from the hospital, it has been 6 years now.
The lady was my mom, ask her to do anything, she knows how.
I love her a lot, she cares about me so much,
It is so comforting, to get tickled under her soft touch.

I'm 13 now, my mom has become really irritating.
She doesn't let me do what I want, it was kind of frustrating.
Why doesn't my Mom understand? I need some friends.
To actually make them, I have to follow all the latest trends.

Soon I will be an adult, only a few years left,
I understood all the words my mom said were for me, I was really blessed.
She never thought about herself, she just wanted me to be happy,
I love her, cause she is my mommy.
Jigya Joshi, Student, Class 9 Sirius, TOS1

ME AND MY HEART

OMG! I am so tensed
Cause exams are arriving
Seeing teachers with their lens
Saying "Exams are arriving"

There is high expectation
From parents, teachers and myself
I have to show dedication
Surfing through books and shelves.

I will try to do my best
Until I have the 'will'
I shouldn't care about the rest
Just climb the highest hill.

But what if my 'will' fades?
I won't be helping anymore
Even after lot of persuade
I would haplessly have less scores

I think about the toppers,
How they reach it bravely
They may have all those talents,
Talents they got it luckily.

I don't regret because they have it,
I regret because the world wants it.
What about them good in other stuff?
For world that is never a hit.

But here I am, completely lost
Trying to try my best.
Please smartness, just have me caught
Even if it's in the world's net.

But then my heart pounds me loud,
"Dear me, you are unique,
Just come out of that crowd
And do something that doesn't make you a freak".

"Make your own world
With your creations.
And just rock it
Achieving your ambitions"

"For I am always there with you
And know you the best.
You don't have to stand in a long queue
And don't have to wait like the rest."

"Its your life , live it your way,
And always remember what i say."
Swarali Kale, Student, Class 9 Sirius, TOS1



Beautiful Friendship

On a Sunday afternoon,
I watched a beautiful butterfly
And wondered how lovely it could be.

Through this butterfly
Your face comes to me
I guess that's easy to explain
A friendship so warm and kind.

Just like the sweet butterfly
Always on my mind,
Friends like you are rare and hard to find.
Ritu, Student, Class 4 Vega, TOS2

A New Day, A New Dream

Today,
I just wish to be silly for a day...
I wish,
To jump in shining water,
And swim all around.
To catch the tail of an electric eel
And maybe ..just maybe..make it my veil?
I wish,
To forget all my worries,
Dance like a storm in the sea

Which no one can see!
I wish ,
To hop above jelly fishes,
And giggle between Octopus legs
To touch the tip of the shark's fin
And swim around the Whale's nostrils.

Today,
I just wish to be silly for a day...
Rujul Gorghate, Student, Class 7 Vega, TOS 2

French

Bonjour!!!

This article we are going to learn a few 'Homographic words' common in French and English. (HOMOGRAPHS are words that are spelled the same but have different meanings.)

English Translation

money
a digit/ a shape
a tomb
distress
shop
book room
colour crayon

Word

Coin
figure
grave
pain
store
library
crayon

French Translation

a corner
face
serious
bread
window blinds
bookshop
pencil

Utkarsha Salvi, French Teacher

SPA Club Showcase



Virtue Alone Ennobles

No Invigilation Assessments:

Teacher's report: We at The Orbis feel that conscientious citizens are the trailblazers of a nation. Since the students are the future of our nation, we believe in invoking their conscience at every step. As a first step the students took up their class tests with their inner voice acting as invigilators. It was a dream come true as every student without any importance attached to marks, wrote only what they knew as they have realised that they need to be true to themselves.

Student's report: Our class teacher surprised us with reinforcement without an invigilator. It made us feel trusted. We could have copied from others but we didn't even think of it. It is because we have been made to understand the purpose of an assessment and it will be defeated if we write what others know. Copying answers from someone implies cheating ourselves. We have learnt that it's okay if we don't get good marks, but it is not okay to lie, cheat or use unfair ways.

Yashaswini B.S., Class 6 Vega

Our Values, Our Strength

A Perfect Example: Driver story

One of the most important traits of human being is "Honesty". A wonderful example was set by one of our school bus drivers, named Sangram Sonkamble, who happened to find a wallet on the road. He, unlike most, took the initiative to find the owner of the same, from the documents which were inside, he then called the respective person and handed over the wallet with everything in place. We salute him for his honesty. We are proud that we Orbiens not only talk about learning such life skills, but display them too.

Mridula Sharma, CT 4 Rigel

Teachers' Corner

Staff Picnic (17th February):

A fun filled and memorable picnic for all the staff members was organized by the management to Tamini Ghat. Apart from relaxation and enjoyment the picnic also aimed at building team skills among the members of staff. The beautiful spot, in the lap of nature, helped rejuvenate all. The memories will linger for a long time. Meetings, staff room activities and other events at school have always held us together but a picnic is adds another dimension to our togetherness.

Shalini Singh, CT 4 Vega

Parents' Prerogative



PTA Executive Committee Meeting (23rd February):

The meeting could not be convened as the quorum was short by a member. The meeting has been moved ahead by 15 days with new notice being issued to all members.



Sahodaya Meeting (7th February):

Sahodaya School Complex, Pune, organised a meeting for all CBSE School Principals for better analysis of the new examination structure as proposed by CBSE, which is remodelled to make Board Exam mandatory for class 10 and further restructures the weightage of internal and board exam to 20 and 80 percent respectively. Our Principal attended the meeting and later shared the understanding with the Orbis core team. However, all CBSE schools are waiting to receive further guidelines with regard to the execution of the proposed changes, applicable from the year 2017-18, before we share the same with the students and parents.



I can do it!

1. When did Donald Trump take over his family business?
2. What are the key businesses that Donald Trump owns?
3. How do scholars describe Donald Trump's position?

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/keshavnagar/images/PDF/TOS-1_Calendar-2015-16.pdf

TOS 2:
http://www.theorbisschool.com/mundhwa/images/Event_Calendar/Master_TOS-2_Calendar_2015-16.pdf

From the Editorial Team



February, the second month in the calendar and the shortest one too! At The Orbis School, it is the month of Orbitria as well as the commencement of examinations. Many of us may say that we are over loaded and do not have enough time to study. Jackson Brown Jr. had once said, "Don't say you don't have enough time. You have exactly the same number of hours per day that were given to Helen Keller, Pasteur, Michelangelo, Mother Teresa, Leonardo da Vinci, Thomas Jefferson, and Albert Einstein." So let us get started, as the secret of getting ahead is getting started.

Warm regards and happy reading!

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Thought for the month

"To be a champ, you have to believe in yourself when nobody else will." -

Sugar Ray Robinson

