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From the Principal's Desk

You may not be the one who cares a great deal about the likes and dislikes tally on social sites but I am sure we all do care to win friends and be liked and here is an easy effective mantra for the best start...Greet people and do it the right way.

An effervescent hello, namaste, salaam or any other such expression, is impressive and an instant 'like quotient' booster. It is difficult to not smile back and reciprocate with the same warmth. It brings an ease and sets the perfect tone for a conversation.

Remember how it felt when an old acquaintance walked up to you and greeted you with your name and asked how you have been? Significant, recognised and liked, isn't it? Same is true for everyday as well. Greeting conveys that people matter and that they are being noticed which adds to better self image.

Some of us misinterpret when a certain time of the day is wished. A 'Good Morning' doesn't mean the morning is good (so never respond with 'What's so good about the morning?') What it means is that 'May your morning be good!' What a good thing to say! Both the greeter and the greeted, feel a boom of positivity. Try asking people how they are doing and more often than not, the answer will be, "Doing good!" This response actually changes perspective towards how we were getting affected by the day's proceedings while it also conveys that people care to know about the well being.

Build the right moment for a greeting. Stop, pull out the headphones, take your eyes off the phone, look at the person (not stare), bring on a genuine smile and cheer in the tone, get ready for a warm handshake (not always necessary) and now say the magic word. The pitch should depend on the place, position and age of the concerned. It is a two way communication and hence time to respond and attention to the response is essential.

No one gets a second chance to improve the first impression, the daily first impression, so start right every time.

Mala Jetly



Big News!

Five Thousand Surya Namaskar (21st June):

Students of The Orbis Schools celebrated the International Yoga Day with performing over five thousand Surya namaskar asanas, collectively. Young India, on the mat, learning to train their breath and movement, was a wonderful sight. The day witnessed a renewed pledge to make yoga their new best friend and experience multitude of benefits. The very evident positive outcome of the day was revitalization and relaxation. The regular yoga sessions at school have impacted the mood, resilience and body image of all students. The school is also reaping benefits from the ongoing yoga trainings for the staff. The celebration of yoga is here to stay.



New Facilities:

We are delighted at the addition of many new learning spaces this year. The prominent ones being a new Skating Rink and Basketball court and another Multipurpose Hall (MPH) in the West Wing Basement. The same was inaugurated on 22nd June 2016 with the Father's Day celebration. The students are excited and so is the staff as the new spaces will definitely help add more opportunities.



Flavours from our orchard

Colour Week (8th to 24th June):

The colour week focused on knowing more about the colours around us. Children learned the names of various colours and also to identify them. They enjoyed colouring flower vases with a variety of colourful flowers and colourful butterflies flying around. A special assembly was conducted on the theme of the colourful world around us.

Aditi Joshi, CT Nursery Apple



Father's Day Celebrations (22nd June):

Father's Day was celebrated by the students of Jr. KG. They greeted the dads with a medley of rhymes and songs. The handmade cards were beautiful. The teachers used the puppet theatre to share stories about the child and father bond. Later the fathers narrated stories using puppets. Everyone was happy to be a part of this special event.

Monsoon Magic (26th - 30th June):

After the scorching heat of summer, at the advent of rains, the entire pre primary did some colourful origami activity to welcome the monsoons. Paper frog, boat, umbrella, rainbow was fun and so was the colouring of mushrooms. The entire pre primary prayed for more rains. We are all looking forward to a good monsoon. To get more out of the rains let's harvest rainwater!!!!

Sheetal Deorukhkar, CT Sr. KG. Apple





I Grow More, I Know More

Field Trip Sakal Press Class 4 (14th, 23rd, 24th, June):

The field trip to Sakal Press, where Marathi and English newspapers are printed, was indeed a new experience for us students. It was fun to go with our class teachers in our school bus to the press in Saswad. Various stages of printing were shown to us. We saw many reams of white paper which was attached to the machine at a very high speed. Each ream of paper could print about 60000 newspapers. The final prints were being collected and packed. Every detail was being taken care of. There was a lot of new learning for all of us. We thank the Sakal Press officials for this opportunity.

Ashwin Poddar, Aditri Singh, Adwait Fulambarkar - Students Class 4; Seema Bhandarkar - CT 4 Sirius



Picnic Empress Garden Class 1 (15th June):

Empress Garden is one of the most beautiful gardens of the city. It is rich with an impressive array of flora and fauna, just the right place for students to see a variety of trees, flowers and lush green grass all around. After the nature walk, the students had their lunch. On our way back to school we saw fighter planes and the national flag soaring high in the sky, at the War Memorial. It was a memorable and joyful experience.

Khushboo Puri Kohli, CT 1 Rigel



Picnic Jogger's Park Class 2 (16th June):

The class 2 picnic to the Jogger's Park was a happy one. Children played around the park enjoying the swings, the artificial animals which looked pretty real and walking around. They then sat in circles, in the shade, to have their refreshments. Before returning to school we all ensured to clean up the place and leave it in a better condition than how we had found it.

Nalini Saklani, CT Class 2 Sirius



My Visit to the Japanese Garden (22nd June):

When our teacher informed us about the picnic to Okayama Friendship Garden, commonly known as The Japanese Garden, the whole class was excited. While in the bus, the teacher explained what we were going to observe and explore in the garden. When we reached there, we saw different kinds of shapes in which plants were cut, flowers in vibrant colours and amazingly crafted landscape. There was a pond and a stream in the garden too. We also climbed a hill and saw the complete view of the Japanese garden. What a wonderful sight to see!! Later on we had our snacks and it was time to come back to school. This was indeed one of my best picnics ever.

Mishthi Gupta Class 3 Vega TOS1



Principal - Student Council Nominees Meeting (22nd June):

The Principal apprised the young leaders with the duties and rights of the student council. Guidance on handling of each task listed in the charter of duties was provided. There was an open discussion on the ways and means to strengthen the school leadership programme that on the one hand works as House System and on the other, as Cabinet System with the four ministries namely; Health and Hygiene; Traffic and Transport; Education and Discipline. It was a delight to hear the students asking for more involvement and more responsibilities as active participants in maintaining school discipline and organising activities.



NIE Workshop Class 9 and 10 (23rd June):

A workshop on career options by Mrs. Fehmda, from the Times of India, focused on one of the most important choices that we students will shortly be making. Ma'am spoke about common career options available. She told us that two factors need to be taken into account while choosing a career, one is passion and the other is complete understanding of the profession. It is advisable to do a lot of research for the same and also list down the colleges that offer those courses. She concluded by telling us, "Do what you love" and also to be prepared with more than one option as a career.

Oshin, Student Class 9 Vega



Field Trip KF Biopant Class 5 (24th June):

Going to the KF Biopants, in Manjri, was an amazing experience for our entire class. It took us less than ten minutes to reach our destination. We were both eager and excited. When we reached, we saw a huge lawn with lots of flowers. We were shown an introductory video. We learned that KF Biopants is India's largest biotech company. This company gives technical support and guidance to farmers. They store delicate 'tissue culture' plants in small jars with an artificially made jelly like substance. This acts as a medium and provides the plant with nutrients instead of soil or water. These jars have air filters on the lids to let oxygen in. We also saw greenhouses. They had giant propeller-like fans to control the temperature. While we were there, it started to drizzle, but it stopped soon. It was a learning experience for all of us.

Abhilash Kar, Student Class 5 Deneb



Student Council Election (26th June):

After a week long campaign, the Student Council Elections for the post of School Captain and School Vice Captain were held amidst great excitement. All the students from classes 4 to 10 and the staff members cast their votes. The election officer maintained strict discipline and compliance to the laid down norms for free and fair elections. Counting of votes took place in the presence of all the contenders. A good lesson indeed on the ways of democracy (*For results please refer to I Did It section*).



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

The Orbis School Pune 2

Monsoon Magic (8th to 17th June):

To inculcate in the young minds the joy, beauty and importance of monsoon, the teachers of Pre-Primary conducted various fun craft activities involving the tiny tots to familiarise themselves with the rainy season. Children learnt about the rainbow, its varied hues and were introduced to new words associated with rains. Relevant rhymes were introduced and recited to add to the learning.

Beena Ajay, CT Nur Orange



Colour Week (20th to 30th June):

To learn about the different hues of Nature's palette, the children of Pre Primary celebrated the primary colours. The students came dressed as per the colour of the day, on each colour day, along with a fruit of the same colour. The facilitators involved the young Orbians in activities like colouring, origami and craft to reinforce learning of colours around us.

Beena Ajay, CT Nur Orange



Field Trip to Jogger's Park (13th June):

To help our students forge a bond with nature and to inculcate love for the outdoors, Class 1 had a great outing as they went to 'Jogger's Park' in Kalyani Nagar. The students played different games with their laughter ringing in the green environs of the park. It was indeed a lovely morning with new learning beyond the realms of the classroom.

Farheen Shaikh, CT 1 Sirius



Poster Making (14th June):

As the School resumed after the summer break, the students geared up to put their creative ideas together for another Inter House Poster Making Competition on the theme "Cleanliness". All the students from class 1 to 8 dressed up their boards with pictures, slogans and colourful drawings. They put the best foot forward to bring laurels to their respective Houses.

Shalini Singh, CT 4 Vega



Field Trip to the Poonawalla Stud Farm (21st June):

Situated on the outskirts of Pune, the Poonawalla Stud Farm stands with magnificent thoroughbred horses. The students of Class 2 were given a tour of the beautiful estate. The students were mesmerised by the beauty of the horses. It helped them connect with an aspect of life they often do not get to experience in the city. The trip also sensitised the students towards all animals and the need to respect all creatures big and small. We thank the Stud Farm management for the wonderful learning experience.

Annie Fernandes, CT 2 Vega

Father's Day Celebration (23rd June):

The students of Jr. KG were extremely excited to welcome their dads with special attempts to impress them as they celebrated Father's Day. Songs, rhymes were all well rehearsed and well presented. The handmade cards were beautiful. The teachers conducted a puppet show to reinforce good values. The event unfolded with games for the guests that delighted them. To conclude the event our little Orbiens presented handmade palm print scrolls to their loving fathers.

Reena Anthony, CT Jr Kg Mango





Student Council Election (27th June):

Every new session brings forth new Office Bearers who bear the colours of the School. The School Captain and Vice Captain are elected democratically. Students contesting for these positions campaigned zealously, sharing their manifesto and symbol with the voters. On the day of Elections, the students were introduced to the format of voting, and were given ballot paper with due instructions about the whole process and education about the power of voting for the right candidate that rested in their hands. The voters cast their vote in secrecy followed by the ink stamp on their forefinger that they held with pride. The contestants waited with bated breath as the counting of votes led to the final announcement of Student Council 2016-17. (For results please refer to I Did It)

Shalini Singh, CT 4 Vega



Special Assemblies

Special Assembly on Desertification (17th June):

"Rain-Rain go away" a nursery rhyme seems to have come true as many parts of the country are receiving late or less rainfall. There are many reasons for low rainfall and many consequences of it too, one being "Desertification" which literary means turning of non-desert land into desert. To sensitise students about this threat, a special assembly on "Desertification" was conducted by Class 2 Antares, where children were made aware of the causes and effects of Desertification. A beautiful act and a lovely poem was performed to reach out to all.

Nidhi Paul, CT 2-Antares, TOS 1



UN Yoga Day (21st June):

On 21st June the entire school descended on the School ground to celebrate UN Yoga Day. Reiterating the pivotal role of Yoga as a physical, mental and spiritual practice attributed, the students also learned how evoking inner strength is essential for us to live happily and with positivity, through a session conducted by facilitators of Sahaj Yog. The participants experienced that by changing our lifestyle and creating consciousness, it can help in our well being. The students and teachers enjoyed the session that fostered a calm and positive environment.

Madhuri Amolik, CT 6 Vega, TOS 2





LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) Certification:

Level 1 certificate was awarded to **Abhilash Kar of class 5 Deneb** who passed this exam with distinction. Many congratulations!!!!



Student Council:

The Student Council is the apex student assembly that plays important participatory role in organising school activities and learns valuable leadership skills along the line. Here are the students who have been elected/ nominated to shoulder tasks and lead from the front, in the academic session 2016-17.



TOS1 Year - 2016-17						
School Captain- Krishna Desikan 10-Vega				School Vice Captain- Oshin 9 -Sirius		
House Leaders - Students					House Motto and Ministry	
Designation	Captain	Vice Captain	Sports Captain	Prefect	Motto	Ministry
Explorers	Mihir Dangwal 10 Vega	Darshan Gund 9 Sirius	Yuva Teja Kadari 10 Vega	Raghav N. 8 Sirius	Forever seeking	Education
Guardians	Fawzaan Shaikh 10 Vega	Saad Bellary 9 Vega	Medha Bhavsar 10 Vega	Hiya Pande 8 Sirius	Conviction and courage	Discipline
Innovators	Nandini Jadhav 10 Vega	Ali Bharwani 9 Sirius	Kashish Tahiliani 10 Vega	Riya Gaitonde 8 Vega	Ignited minds	Health and Hygiene
Vanguards	Ayush Vatal 10 Vega	Nidhi Patel 9 Sirius	Padmavati Mistry 10 Vega	Kavana Anklekar 8 Vega	Scripting the future	Traffic and Transport

TOS2 Year - 2016-17						
School Captain-Meghna Chatterjee				School Vice Captain-Afzal Shaheena		
House Leaders					House Motto and Ministry	
	Captain	Vice Captain	Sports Captain	Prefect	Motto	Ministry
Explorers	Vinit Bhanushali 8 Vega	Poorva Khare 7 Vega	Tushar Yadav 7 Vega	Gauri Agarwal 6 Vega	Forever seeking	Education
Guardians	Harshpreet Singh 8 Vega	Rujul Gorghate 7 Vega	Sanidhya Vyas 6 Vega	Manish Patil 6 Vega	Conviction and courage	Discipline
Innovators	Harsh Gupta 8 Vega	Harshini Chitta 7 Vega	Aditya Bhatti 8 Vega	Sahasra Musalikunta 6 Vega	Ignited minds	Health and Hygiene
Vanguards	Arinjay Nair 8 Vega	Sahil Shaheena 6 Vega	Saksham Sachin 7 Vega	Sakshi Agarwal 6 Vega	Scripting the future	Traffic and Transport



Impressions and Expressions

Mohammed Ali (January 17, 1942 - June 3, 2016):

Muhammad Ali was a former heavyweight champion Boxer and one of the greatest sporting figures of the 20th century. An Olympic Gold Medalist and the first fighter to capture the heavyweight title three times. Ali won 56 times in his 21 year professional career. In 1999 Ali was voted the BBC's "Sporting Personality of the Century". Ali was awarded Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2005 White House Ceremony. At the age of 12, Ali discovered his talent for boxing through an odd twist of fate. His bike was stolen and Ali told a police officer, Joe Martin, that he wanted to beat up the thief. "Well, you better learn how to fight before you start challenging people."

On June 3rd, 2016 we lost this eminent boxer, he is celebrated not only for his remarkable athletic skills but for his willingness to speak his mind and his courage to face challenges.

Meghna Chatterjee, Student Class 8 Vega, TOS 2

Dynamic And Daring Fathers!

Fathers are important. They lead us in the journey of life and onto the road to success. They hide their stress, worries and spend time with us, as they love us very much. They toil to give us a bright future. Dads are mentors, friends and our heroes too. They are one of the greatest gifts from God. Without them, we can't be happy. So cherish the dad you got from God and give a big hug to him!

Afzal Shaheena 7 Vega TOS2

My Father

My father is just so great,
We're lucky to have him in our fate.
If I hadn't had him as our father
Things would have been different rather.
He helps us become brave and strong,
He never lets us do anything wrong.
His mind is filled with positive thoughts,
He opens all our mind's knots.
He is always soft and polite,
His company is a great delight.
He helps us with our work and study,
He's always been our best buddy.
My father is just so great,
We're lucky to have him in our fate.
Happy Father's Day!!!!

Mehek Doshi Class 7 Sirius TOS1

Field Trip to War Memorial (15 June):

We, the students of classes 4 and 5, visited the Southern Command War Memorial. It is dedicated to those Brave hearts who laid down their lives defending the country since Independence. We swelled with pride on seeing the unconquerable display of Tanks, MIG-23, INS Trishul, guns, rocket launchers, medals of bravery that adorned the walls of Hall Of Fame. We even enjoyed paintball shooting in a Firing range created to give a veritable experience. We bought key chains as souvenirs of the wonderful trip that we will cherish for a long time.

Joshua G Kosy 4 Vega TOS 2



Elections at school (26th June):

Elections were held on Monday for choosing the members of the Student Council. The students of classes 4 to 10 went to cast their votes for the School Captain and the Vice Captain. It all happened like a real election. We were called to vote class wise. As we entered the room, we got slips with the names of the nominees and their symbols. We cast our votes for the best candidate and left the room. It was a great learning experience for all of us as we got a glimpse of how the actual voting takes place.

Jaabili Pandala Class 6 Sirius TOS 1





Personality of the month

Hillary Diane Rodham Clinton

Hillary Diane Rodham Clinton born October 26, 1947 is an American politician and the presumptive nominee of the Democratic Party for President of the United States in the 2016 election. She is the first female candidate to gain that status for a major American political party. She served as the 67th United States Secretary of State from 2009 to 2013, the junior United States Senator representing New York from 2001 to 2009, First Lady of the United States during the presidency of Bill Clinton from 1993 to 2001, and First Lady of Arkansas from 1983 to 1992.

Hillary Rodham grew up in the Chicago area. She attended Wellesley College, graduating in 1969, and earned a J.D. (Juris Doctor) from Yale Law School in 1973. After serving as a congressional legal counsel, she moved to Arkansas, marrying Bill Clinton in 1975. In 1977, she co-founded Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families. She was appointed the first female chair of the Legal Services Corporation in 1978, and the following year, became the first woman partner at Rose Law Firm. As First Lady of Arkansas (1979–81, 1983–92), she led a task force whose recommendations helped reform Arkansas's public schools, and served on the boards of corporations including Walmart.

Hillary Clinton was elected in 2000 as the first female senator from New York, the only first lady ever to have sought elective office. She was re-elected to the Senate in 2006. She served as Secretary of State in the Obama administration from 2009 to 2013, She authored her fifth book and undertook speaking engagements before announcing her second presidential run in the 2016 election.

Sarah Koshy, CT 6 Deneb TOS1



5 QUIRKY FACTS ABOUT RAIN

1.The least rainy place on earth isn't in the desert

It may be covered with ice, but Antarctica gets only 6.5 inches of rain or snow per year, making it the continent with the lowest annual rainfall by far.

2.Rain doesn't always make the ground wet

In dry, hot places, rain sometimes evaporates before it hits the ground. This is called Phantom rain.

3.Not all raindrops are made of water

On Venus, and other moons and planets, rain is made of sulfuric acid or methane.

4.There's a scientifically proven way to get less wet in the rain

Run! As Henry Reich, the brains behind the YouTube Channel Minute Physics explains, the faster you get out of the rain, the drier you'll be, regardless of the additional raindrops you run into.

5.The shape and color of clouds can help you predict rain

If you see a cumulonimbus cloud—a tall, puffy cloud that looks flat at the top— or a nimbostratus cloud, a flat low-level gray cloud—you can be fairly certain that rain is in the 24-hour forecast.



Virtue Alone Ennobles

It is rightly said that 'cleanliness is next to godliness.'

Cleanliness makes you feel good. Regardless of whether the feeling is inherent, or created by social conditioning, keeping your body, clothes, and home clean feels undeniably great. A hot shower, your favorite clean shirt, and a well organised house make you feel ready to take on the world. There is a natural connection between the order of your environment and the state of your mind. Clutter will weigh you down and stress you out. A clean, well-organized environment will lift your spirits. Cleanliness gives you a good image. If you, your clothes, or your house looks like a disheveled mess, people are inevitably going to judge part of your character and personality on such evidence. Perhaps that is unfair, but it is true. As we transform our lives to be orderly and clean, we increase the amount of beauty in our lives.

Seema Bhandarkar, CT Class 4 Sirius

Teachers' Corner

Isha Yoga Training (18th June):

The teachers experienced true well being by turning inwards as they were trained by the Isha Yoga centre. Yoga as a tool for transformation with focus on health, joy, peace, love and success will be passed on from these teachers to students every morning in their classrooms.

I can do it!

1. When was Hillary Clinton elected as the first female senator from New York?
2. Name the party Hillary Clinton has become a presumptive nominee of?
3. When did Hillary Clinton become the first lady of United States?

Sarah Koshy, CT 6 Deneb TOS1



Shreyas Pansare (5-Rrigel)



Vidhi K 7-Vega



Srushti Mahajan 5-Vega



Rshabh Bose 7-Vega



Aditya Shah (5-Rigel)



Aditi Chitnis 7-Deneb

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

The Orbis School resumed after the summer break on 8th June 2016. All students returned full of vibrant energy, fresh from their vacation eagerly looking forward to learn more and explore more. We have a packed season ahead with new activities to be performed. The students will grow intellectually and will set themselves on the way of being complete human beings in the future. We wish all, the very best!

Happy Reading!

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Thought for the month

Cleanliness and order are not matters of instinct; they are matters of education and like most great things, you must create a taste for them. - **Benjamin Disraeli**

