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From the Principal's Desk

'Life. Spend it well', is the tagline of a clothing brand, that always gets me to pause and think, 'Am I spending mine well? Family, work, friends, money, hobbies, health, happiness; all in place? And what about the long pending 'things to do' on my wish list?'

The truth however is that most of us, age no bar, get lost in the mundane matters and life silently keeps slipping by. Either in the grip of the past or in the trap of the future; we miss to grab the present. Somehow, we seem so convinced about our immortality for at least a century, that the best is saved for events in the future and dreams are procrastinated over and over again. The best clothes are least worn, the best crockery is labelled 'only guests', the adventure journeys keep getting deferred indefinitely, the secret dreams of 'who we can be' often get traded for 'who we should be' and so on.

A maxim says, youth is wasted on the young and wisdom on the old. When we have enthusiasm for life we do not have all means-ask any child; when we have means, we have no time- ask the young, when we have time, money, wisdom all- we have no enthusiasm-ask the aged.

Let us break the chain.

Reading stories is great but making them is greater. Earning good money is good but not spending it all, is waste of labour. Having friends is a treasure but not hanging out with them often, is misfortune. Do not trade the moment in our hands for the unknown uncertain, slated to come, or may be never to be, who knows. The Latin phrase 'Carpe diem quam minimum credula postero', or its shortened version, 'Carpe diem', meaning 'seize the day, trusting as little as possible in the future' is an important life lesson for those who want to live life to the full.

Missing out on today is missing out on life and it may seem penny wise but it is actually pound foolish.

Mala Jetly



Big News!

The Orbis Football Cup Extravaganza! (16th-17th October):

The two-day long Football festival culminated amidst cheer as the winners lifted the coveted Orbis Cup! The tournament saw many new stars being born, many amazing goals and spectacular saves. It also saw team spirit and camaraderie at its best, as the young players jubilantly celebrated the game.

The Champions were, Symbiosis School, Viman Nagar (U-17 Girls), Amanora School (U-17 Boys), St. Mary's High School (U-14 Girls) and Symbiosis School, Viman Nagar (U-14 Boys). The Orbians did shine bright but it was win some and lose some tournament for the team.

We thank the Chief guest Mr. Ryan Shah, the referees Siddharth Shukla, Archis Bhagwat, Pooja Dhumal and the Orbis School coaches for giving to us an event that has set high standards in all areas of the game!



National Education Award!

The Dewang Mehta, National Education Awards, conferred the 'Education Leadership Award' upon the Principal, in a glittering ceremony on 8th October. This encourages us to continue to Celebrate Learning, the Orbis way, with a firm resolve to create generations of self-motivated learners, questing to achieve their full potential while being comfortable with themselves, society and the world at large.



Flavours from our orchard

Pet Animals (3rd - 5th October):

There was a lot of excitement in the classrooms as the children were introduced to the concept of pet animals. The circle time discussed what it means to have a pet and to be responsible for it. Various animals that are kept as pets, were spoken about. Children enthusiastically shared their experiences of feeding the pets or walking them and playing with them. New learning and a sense of happiness could be seen on their faces as they watched digital modules on pet animals.

Aditi Joshi, CT Nursery Apple



Water Week (7th - 12th October):

To create awareness on conservation of water, our tiny tots learned about the uses of water, its different sources and importance. Children also explored the physical properties of water, that it is colourless, odourless and tasteless. An experiment was conducted to show changing state of water from solid to liquid. As water is a limited natural resource, tips were shared with children to save it in our daily lives and on being more responsible towards our environment.

Ashia Faruk, CT Jr. KG Orange

Pet Day (12th October):

In keeping with the weekly theme, 'Pet Day' was celebrated in school where the much-loved pets were brought to the school premises by their proud owners. Children were eagerly waiting to welcome a Labrador, a Beagle and a pair of lovebirds. Under the care of their masters, the pets moved around in the designated space. Being in close proximity to them, kept most of the children captivated. Apart from enjoying the antics of the pets, they also learnt how to take care of these animals and why it is necessary to look after them well. This experience also helped a few to overcome their fear of animals. This sure was an exhilarating experience for the children.

Aditi Joshi, CT Nursery Apple





Water Animals (15th - 19th October):

The week explored learning about different vibrant colourful species, that live in the depth of the sea. Children were made to understand how the trash dumped into water bodies causes harm to the aquatic life. The students enjoyed various craft activities, based on the theme. They were delighted with the outcome of jelly fish made from paper plates and fingerpainting. The lesson learnt this week will bring about a change in their approach to save the water world.

Ashia Faruk, CT Jr. KG Orange

Feelings (22nd - 26th October):

Experiencing and expressing happiness, excitement, irritation, sadness, nervousness and many other feelings, is an integral part of human life. Celebration of the theme helped children to understand different feelings and to express them effectively. Children were delighted to express different moods by drawing emoticons in their books. They tried imitating different feelings through facial expressions in front of the mirror and thoroughly enjoyed the activity. They enjoyed reciting a song in different tones and expressions which also helped building their vocabulary. Learning to understand and manage feelings is an essential part of social and emotional development.

T. Sangeetha Row, CT Sr. KG Mango



Each One Teach One (29th October - 2nd November):

Children always love to play the role of a teacher and when they got the chance to do so, the excitement was immense. The opportunity to teach their peers, under the class teacher's guidance, helped in the development of cognitive and social skills. It helped in team building, improved communication skills, increased self-esteem and resulted in greater productivity in terms of learning outcome.

T. Sangeetha Row, CT Sr. KG Mango

 **I Grow More, I Know More**



General Knowledge Quiz, Classes 4-6 (3rd October):

As a step to help students expand knowledge in 'General' as well as 'Specific' areas, an Inter-House GK Quiz was held. Each team was asked questions based on places around the world, adventure sports, fictional characters and animated films. All the teams displayed remarkable knowledge and great collaboration as a team. For results, please see 'I Did it'.

Neera Baxi, CT 5 Antares TOS 1



Workshop on 'Expressing Emotions' Classes 7-8 (3rd October):

A workshop, for the girls of classes 7 and 8, was conducted by the Student Counsellor and Special Educator of our school. It was a very open and mature conversation on topics such as anxiety, confessions, stress, and how one can express the same and deal with such issues. At the end of it, we came to the conclusion that emotions can be expressed creatively, appropriately and effectively. We must open up to the adults who we know are safe. When in doubt we must speak to them for guidance.

Giya Doshi and Anahita Gambhir, Students 8 Vega



IBA on Monthly Theme, Classes 7-9 (8th October):

The theme for the Inter House Board Activity was 'Eco-Diversity'. There was a lot of enthusiasm among students for expressing and spreading their message across, through creative ideas in pictures and words. The boards on each floor displayed the student's efforts, where all houses presented content from within and beyond the textbook. It was a great activity to learn about eco-diversity and brainstorm on how to preserve it. For results, please see 'I Did it'.

Saksham Thakre, Student 9 Sirius

Managing Emotions - A Mental Health Workshop, Classes 9-12 (8th October):

A strong morale, positive outlook and managing a stress-free lifestyle is indeed essential for all teenagers. We were fortunate to be able to attend an interactive session with a learned psychologist from the 'Live, Love, Laugh Foundation', where several significant aspects such as self-care, anxiety and depression, bullying, help and support, were addressed. We are now aware that every student faces these issues, we just have to stay strong and believe that 'We are not alone!'

Saloni Manglik, Student 11 Antares



The Puppet Show, Classes 4-5 (8th October):

A puppet show was arranged for the Orbiens of classes 4 and 5 by the Sakal Times. There were many types of puppets, like the cantastoria, finger puppets, hand puppets, light curtain puppets and the marionette. All these puppets danced to the tunes of folk and contemporary music and rocked the stage with outstanding performances. A monkey named 'Tapu' entertained everyone with his music. We also enjoyed the vocal mimicry of different animals such as the dog, cat, hen and also a steam engine. It was amusing to see the life-sized Sher Khan too. We all had a good laugh with our friends.

Kaarunya Anklekar and Yukta Gupte, Students 5 Vega and 5 Sirius

Career Counselling, Class 12 (8th October):

The students of class 12 got a wonderful opportunity of career guidance and counselling by Mrs. Yewale from S.S.P.M.S College, Pune. She enlightened us with crisp and clear ideas to how to pick a line of work as per our multiple aptitudes and pursue it through various examinations to reach the goal. It was an interactive session with many eye-opening facts and about how to resolve the dilemma of choices.

Fouzaan Shaikh, 12th Vega





World Space Week Celebrations, Classes 11-12 (9th October):

An overview of the 'world of space' was provided to the senior students as Mr. Prashant Dobriyal, from Indo Science Education Trust, shared with them the work and achievements so far and the ongoing missions in this field. Knowing about the human space endeavours and more specifically the ISRO accomplishments, through talk, video clippings and quizzing was both exciting and motivating. Students raised out of the box queries in the Q and A session, which were very comprehensively answered by the expert. The session opened new horizons of thoughts and dreams for many, who ventured where they had never gone before. Ways to further collaborate with Indo Science Education Trust, are being explored.

Workshop on Banking and Money, Classes 7-10 (9th October):

A workshop on finance and money was conducted by Mr. Abhishek Agarwal, a financial planner at Horus Financial Consultants. The workshop threw light upon the topic "Money is Child's Play". Mr. Agarwal gave the students tips on how to handle money with care and explained to us the several financial terms such as Fixed Deposit, Recurring Deposit, Stock market, etc. It was a highly informative workshop and the students learned a lot from his expertise.

Jiya Doshi, Student 7 Vega



Workshop on Adolescence, Class 7 (10th October):

The students attended a workshop on adolescence conducted by Dr. Sonia Malhotra, a child psychiatrist from NIE. The students were explained about the importance of being focussed in the present. We were made aware about the physical, emotional and psychological changes during this time and various measures of coping with it. Some of the ways to deal with different changes were to channelise our energy, control mood swings and manage our anger. We were also apprised that one of the best ways to deal with changes and pressure is to start writing a diary and analyse out thoughts when we are calm.

Neha Varadharajan, Student 7 Rigel

International English Olympiad Exam, Classes 1-8 (11th October)

The International English Olympiad, conducted in partnership with The British Council, is an international search for young linguistics, youngsters who have become maestros in English language. It is an assessment based on grammar, vocabulary, language and comprehension. The paper was divided into four sections and each section carried different weightage. It was an interesting paper with quite a few challenges. I had fun attempting it.

Aadya Mehrotra, Student 5 Sirius

Cyber Security Workshop by KPMG (12th October):

An interactive session was organised by KPMG for the students, facilitated by Ms. Shreya Shriti. She shared information on online security and fake websites. She also spoke about spamming, phishing and hacking. The students understood that they must avoid sending personal information to unknown people and must not use simple passwords for online accounts. She recommended the students to keep their accounts private on social media. In addition, the students were made aware of the ways to protect themselves while using internet.

Ritika Dhole, Student 9 Sirius





Interact Club visit to ZP school (12th October):

We experienced the joy of social service as we extended our work area beyond the school premises and interacted with the students of the Zilla Parishad Prathamik Shala. As a part of our project to sensitise people about cracker free Diwali, we interacted with the students there and organized a GK quiz based on the theme of Diwali. The students surprised us with their answers and knowledge. We loved their involvement and discipline. A lot of handmade utility items were presented to them which were made by the club members during the CCA periods. We also gave a presentation on 'Cracker Free Diwali'. We wished them all a 'Happy Diwali' and distributed toffees and biscuits. It was an enriching experience, as we could contribute as responsible members of our society.

Dhairya Sharda and Samarth Mandapati, Students 7 Sirius (Secretary and Treasurer Interact Club)

Career in Journalism (17th October):

A workshop was held on journalism by a renowned journalist, Ms. Baljot Kaur, for classes 10-12. The main objective of the workshop was to enhance the understanding about various domains of the profession and their importance. Ms. Kaur briefed the students about multiple courses and subdivisions of journalism and also provided guidelines to pursue them. An interactive session was held at the end, which was helpful and cleared all the doubts of the students. It was indeed a very useful and informative session, which probably inspired some of the students to consider this as a profession.

Abhilasha Rawat, Student 12 Sirius



Orbision 2018-19, Classes 1-3 (20th October):

Orbision is a platform which makes the students realize the interdependence of science, technology and society and gives students opportunities to expand their knowledge and skills through activities and fairs. This year's projects focused on encouraging creativity, developing scientific temperament in day to day learning. Children presented projects on various topics ranging from effects of pollution, steps of farming, composting, making of all-purpose Bio Enzyme; a natural cleaner, to name a few. The students also explained the models, answered queries raised by parents and had some stimulating experiments to explain the scientific reasons behind it. The preparation of science projects in the school along with the teachers is an excellent example of successful exchange of teaching and learning.

Olivia Mamani, CT 3 Polaris

Field Trip to Gram Sanskruti Udyan, Class 5 (20th October):

The students of class 5 went on a field trip to the Gram Sanskruti Udyan, in Pashan on an educational trip. Inside the Udyan we saw a village scene. There were huts, life size statues of villagers, their families and children. There was the village market with the grocer's shop, carpenter, ironsmith, goldsmith, butcher and many more. There was the Gram panchayat with the Sarpanch and the other members sitting under a tree. I liked the 'lavani' dancers and singers the best. We sketched pictures of this scenic beauty on our art sheets. It was a beautiful place and my friends and I had a wonderful time together.

Shreya Pande, Student 5 Rigel

Field Trip to the Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park, Class 4 (20th October):

All the students of class 4 went to the Rajiv Gandhi Park at Katraj, an hour's bus drive from school. On reaching the zoo, we headed straight to where the animals were. We saw monkeys climbing up and swinging down, striped tigers, majestic lions, slithering, beautiful snakes, such as the big python and so many more beautiful creatures. We learnt so much about animals and birds. Harming them or killing them for their skin, tusks or nails, disturbs the food chain. It is important to allow them to live peacefully along with us. After walking through the zoo, we decided to sit and have something to eat. We ensured we leave the place cleaner than we found it. Zoo visits are always exciting and fun.

Shrestha Sharma and Lakshita Pattnaik, Students 4 Vega and 4 Sirius

Visit to Kelkar Museum, Class 6 (20th October):

The students of class 6 went to the Kelkar museum on a field trip. There were five buses and it took us about an hour to reach the museum. The museum had five floors. Each floor exhibited different various artifacts from ancient times. There were treasure boxes, vessels, turbans of different types, puppets, fans, bags and much more. They were all breathtaking. The jewellery, glass bottles and weapons captured our attention, but the show stealer were the embroidered textiles. They were so intricately done that they looked like paintings. It was an informative trip and it made us proud of the rich heritage of our spectacular country. A trip worth remembering!

Anvi Sisodia and Gayathri Devi J, Students, 6 Vega



Field Trip to BAIF, Class 7 (20th October):

The students went on an educational field trip to Bharitya Agro Industrial Foundation Development Research Foundation (BAIF), located in Uruli-Kanchan. We got the opportunity to look at a sericulture unit where we were introduced to silk production. We learnt about the various types of silk. Another interesting working plant we witnessed was about vermicomposting and a biogas plant that recycled 200 kgs of cow dung into biogas. It was an enriching trip.

Samarth Varma and Neha Vardarajan, Students 7 Sirius and 7 Rigel



Visit to Meher Retreat, Class 10-12 (20th October):

A field trip to 'Meher Retreat', Yavat, was organised for classes 10 - 12. After a rather long but enjoyable bus journey, we arrived at the destination, bursting with anticipation and excitement. We were welcomed with a sumptuous breakfast. Then, we went on a tour of the farm, followed by a bullock cart and tractor ride. We were served fresh sugarcane juice to quench our thirst on a hot sunny day. Thereafter, we enjoyed the popular Rain-dance! Later, we reassembled in the upper dining hall for lunch and relaxed while having fun in the sun at the sprawling green estate. We boarded the buses, carrying new memories. An exciting and memorable trip, all thanks to the school!

Aanchal Gupta, Student 10 Vega



Field Trip to Botanical Survey of India, Class 8 (23th October):

The students visited the 'Botanical Survey of India' which was established in 1890. The institute till date plays a major role in protecting endemic and endangered plant species, spreading awareness of natural resources management and the ethnobotanical uses of Indian flora. Various methods such as tissue-culture and ex-situ conservation are followed here. The place gives the onlookers a true sight of nature's beauty. The students explored the library, herbarium, museum and garden. The students got an opportunity to learn about India's rich diversity of flora. The trip was a chance to celebrate learning in its own unique way.

Anahita Gambhir, Student 8 Sirius



Field Trip Deccan Museum of Archaeology, Class 9 (24th October):

A field trip to 'Deccan Museum of Archaeology' was organized by the school. The students saw so many rare idols, portraits, toys, sculptures, stones, weapons and other preserved valuable articles. There were manuscripts and coins from the early sixteenth century. There was a separate collection of prehistoric artefacts. It had vases, vessels, and ornaments from before the 14th century. One exhibit in particular that gave us goosebumps was a human skeleton from over 200 years ago! We were all fascinated by the collection and appreciated the beauty and the story behind item. It was a truly insightful, educational and enjoyable trip.

Ram Iyer, Student 9 Sirius

Workshop on Public Speaking (24th October):

Class 6 attended a workshop on life skills and public speaking, which was organised by the NiE, and conducted by Miss Dimple. It gave us an opportunity to leave all inhibitions, take the stage, express, share and speak before an audience. The workshop was informative, and we participated in many activities which made us feel confident. We hope to attend many more workshops like this.

Aditya Jha, Student, 6 Vega



Workshop on Anthropology, Classes 10-12 (25th October):

A workshop on anthropology was conducted by Mr. Mujtaba Faquih. A student at the D.Y. Patil University, Mr. Faquih shed light on the four methods of anthropology; cultural, linguistic, archaeological and biological. His interesting talk touched on various topics, from the Indus Valley Civilization to the reforms brought about during the British rule. He also spoke about different areas of life where an anthropologist's work is crucial and also the various career paths that are open to students interested in anthropology. The presentation helped us understand the field of anthropology better and added another profession in our bag of infinite opportunities.

Kavana Anklekar, Student 10 Vega

Apsara Handwriting Activity (26th October):

A handwriting competition was organized by Apsara for students of classes 1 and 2. Children were provided with Apsara pencils and stationary to write. The kids wrote beautifully and explored their knack of writing. Each child gave the best shot putting their heart and soul which gave wonderful results.



Workshop on 'Growing up and changing body' for boys (30th October):

Our special educator, Ms. Apoorva, conducted a workshop for all the boys of class 6. It was a workshop on 'Growing up and Puberty'. We learnt about the different changes that take place in our body as we grow up. It addressed a lot of questions in our minds about puberty like - what is puberty and when does it occur. The workshop began with a video, where we learnt about the pituitary glands and its role at this stage. We understood a lot of things and a lot of our concerns were laid to rest. We understood that it is a natural phenomenon that every boy goes through.

Adithya, Nihar, Aryan, Students 6 Rigel and Swastik, Vivaan, Akshat, Antas, Archit, Students 6 Sirius

Workshop on 'Growing up' for girls (30th October):

A workshop was conducted by Aarohi ma'am, our school counsellor, where we were told about the changes we would experience during the time of adolescence. She explained to us how different parts of the body function differently and how changes are different for boys and for girls. She also explained to us that these changes may affect our weight and height. A lot of our questions were answered, and it was an interactive session. We hope to have a few more in the future.

Pranjali, Gudadhe, Nida Adin, Dhruti Doshi, Students 6 Sirius



Club of the month

Archery

Mastering archery requires skill, concentration and perseverance. It is a sport that is fun, but also allows participants of any age or skill level to compete against others or challenge themselves individually. At the Orbis School, we teach step-by-step method for drawing a bow and shooting an arrow. It helps the students to analyze their steps and focus on improving one thing at a time. The archers gain their confidence, improve their hand-eye coordination and balance, sportsmanship, teamwork and physical strength.

Gymnastics

Gymnastics, one of the most comprehensive lifestyle exercise helps children to build up strength, speed, balance, coordination, power, and discipline. Students at The Orbis School learn gymnastics in a safe and fun environment, where certified instructors work with each child to increase flexibility, strength, and fitness level while at the same time it helps in their overall development.

Athletics

Athletics is a collection of sporting events that involve competitive running, jumping, throwing and walking. At Orbis, an extensive programme helps children develop coordination and learn how to care for their body by proper stretching, exercises for fitness, skipping, cycling and development of fundamental mechanics, to improve mentally and emotionally. Students accumulate a whole host of skills and abilities like leadership, teamwork, confidence and self reliance.

Preetam Mamani, Senior PTI



Special Assemblies



Good Luck 🌸



Sarv Dharma Sabha, Class 12 (4th October):

Students of class 12 presented an integrated assembly and enlightened the school on the various religions prevalent all around the world. The focus was on bringing to the fore that religions teach the art of living and appreciating them all by understanding what various religious faiths stand for by reading quotes from different Holy books. It was a meaningful assembly that taught us about unity and harmony.

Abhilasha Rawat, Student 12 Sirius TOS 1



Dussehra Celebrations, Classes 1-3 (17th October):

With the onset of the festival season, the festivities began in school. The students of classes 1-3 had a special assembly to become aware of the mythological reasons for celebrating Dussehra and were enlightened with the true essence of this festival which is 'victory of good over evil'. The students of class 3 put the thought across that evil does not only mean a wrong action but also a wrong word, a wrong thought and a wrong attitude, through a very apt street play. The festivities did not end here, the children danced their heart out to some foot tapping garba numbers leaving them more excited and energetic for the upcoming holiday.

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (31st October):

We, Indians owe an immeasurable debt of gratitude to the vision and tact of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the Iron Man of India, who integrated 562 princely states and is truly, the architect of modern India. A special assembly to mark his birth anniversary was conducted. Vallabhbhai Patel was a senior leader of the Indian National Congress who played a leading role in the country's struggle for freedom. The Orbiens took a Unity Pledge and were told the importance of unity not only for the country but also in their everyday life. The assembly was a befitting tribute to him.

Pausali Dasgupta, CT 3 Rigel





Our Green Ways

The Orbis School feels that students must see the agricultural processes themselves to understand the importance of it, hence the ever-curious students of The Orbis Nature Club were taken to a nearby farm, to explore the bountiful nature around us, with the aim of giving students a firsthand experience of understanding the hard work put in by farmers and their families. The different methods of irrigation, one of them being drip irrigation, was discussed with them. They were able to see how it functions practically, at the farm. The students saw some of the modern technological means of conserving water and other perishable resources on earth. The new research topics for agriculture, which include computer-controlled drip irrigation, computerized early warning systems for leaks, thermal imaging for crop water stress detection, biological pest control and new varieties of fruits and vegetables were discussed, in brief. This makes the subject intriguing and a good career option for all our young Orbians

Kirti Naik, CT 12 Vega



I did it

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

We bring to you the results of ZP Competitions held in the month of October.

ZP Throwball Competition (3rd October):

The under 17 Girls team won the first match against Amanora but lost to St. Francis in a close finish; 15-13 and 15-14. The team comprised of Gauri Jaiswal 10 Vega, Akshata Nagarkar and Sandhya Chandini 10 Sirius, Ketaki Shinde 11 Vega, Palak Paliwal 11 Deneb, Bhargavi Panpaliya, Simran Srivastava, Durga Patil, Jane John 9 Vega, Akashta Rai, Shruti Shinde 9 Deneb and Mridula Raghvan 9 Vega. Kudos to the team.



ZP Skating Competition (4th October):

Poushali Parida, 7 Vega won the first round. The other participants were as follows; Yuvraj Dhamdhare, 6 Antares, Anish Gurushankar, 8 Vega, Anant Shyam, 6 Deneb Poushali Parida, 7 Vega, Aditya Kumar Singh, 9 Deneb, Bhavya Vashisth, 5 Antares, Ishita Lal, 5 Antares, Sayyam Vankhede, 5 Polaris, Geet Lunkad, 5 Sirius, Shaurya Shaikh, 4 Deneb, Riya Rastogi, 4 Deneb

Orbians Shine at Mt. Carmel School Inter School Event (1st - 4th October):

The young Orbians won medals, the overall Runners Up Trophy and all the hearts at Carmelvenza, the 4th Annual Inter School Competition conducted by Mount Carmel Junior College, Lullanagar, Pune. Our students from class 9 – 12 participated in various competition and bagged not just prizes but prizes from the host teachers and the Principal for their outstanding conduct and sporting spirit. The results were as follows:

- Debate – 1st prize – Gopikashree Sampathkumar, class 12
- Shutterbug – 1st Prize – Sahaj Ajmera and Shivang Seth, class 12
- Pen Craft – 1st prize - Kavana Anklekar and Priya Dharavat, class 10
- Spell Bee – 1st Prize – Muskaan Awasthi, class 9
- Paint out Loud – 2nd Prize – Arti Verma, class 10 and Emlyn Finn, class 9

Many congratulations to the winners and more power to the team!



Orbis at CBSE Football Tournament (1st-5th October):

The under 17 Boys Football team participated in the CBSE Cluster Football Tournament held at All Saints high School, Bhiwandi, 1st to 5th October. The team won the first match against The Orchid International School, Baner, in the penalty shootouts 4-3, after the field score of 2-2. We lost our second round against Army School Dighi. A good learning experience indeed!

The team comprised of: Deven Kaushik, 11 Rigel, Manan Khamesra, 11 Deneb, Shrikantha Bhandare, 11 Deneb, Mahaveer Dhadiwal, 11 Deneb, Saahil Hemgude, 11 Vega, Aryan Nambiar, 11 Rigel, Aayush Jadhav, 11 Rigel, Ansh Talwar, 10 Vega, Arinjay Nair, 10 Sirius, Nitheesh Kumar, 10 Sirius, Manav Jadhav, 9 Sirius, Akshit Kshirsagar, 9 Vega, Prasad Bhowate, 9 Sirius, Ayyub Ali Muni, 9 Vega, Videep Gupta, 9 Sirius, Dheer Johari, 9 Vega



Decathlon Skating Championship (8th October):

The Orbis Schools are the winners of The Decathlon Oxelo Skating Champions Trophy, with 30 medals bagged in all; 4 Gold, 4 Silver and 22 Bronze. Many Congratulations to the team of super stars! Kudos to the coach!

Gold: Atrijo Ghosh, 5 Antares, Krishna Agarwal, 6 Vega, Poushali Parida, 7 Vega

Silver: Tanay Rahangdale, 4 Sirius, Ashwin Poddar, 6 Antares, Sairaj Khot, 7 Deneb

Bronze: Rajveer Sabale, 1 Deneb, Sairaj Shinde and Anannya Patil, 1 Rigel, Ayush Kumbhar, 2 Rigel, Avanish Singh, 2 Vega, Shivansh Singh, 3 Rigel, Kartikey Kharyal, 3 Sirius, Aarav Bansude, 4 Deneb, Mandar Kadoo, 5 Vega, Varun Singhal, 5 Rigel, Ishita Lal, 5 Antares, Ananth Syam, 6 Deneb, Prajyot Nula, 7 Vega, Gandharvika Kumar, 7 Sirius, Swanandi Thakre, 7 Deneb, Pracheth Miriyala, 7 Rigel

Reliance Youth Foundation Junior Boys Football Tournament (9th October):

The team won the first match of the category, played on 9th October against RIMS International School by 3 - 0. Akshit Kshirsagar was named the Man of the Match. The second match was played on 13th October against Mahadji Shinde High School, which the Orbians won 5-0. Manav Jadhav was declared the Man of the Match. The third match was played against Stella Maris where the boys not only scored but also defended well. Dheer Johari was named the Man of the Match for scoring the most crucial goal of the match. The team lost the fourth-round match against Dastur High School camp, 2-0. **Players List:** Ansh Talwar, Dheer Johari, Akshit Kshirsaga, Videep Gupta, Prasad Bhowate, Manav Jadhav, Arinjay Nair, Ayyub Ali Muni, Ansh Rawat, Balyogi Dave, Soham Sindulkar, Aayush Sonawane and Saad Bellary.



Taekwondo Competition (9th October):

Geet Lunkad, class 5 Sirius won the second prize in Taekwondo Competition held at the Taekwondo Center, Pune. Congratulations!



Zonal Gold in Karate (10th October)

Shlok Dendge, 9 Vega, has done it again! He has won the Zonal Karate Gold, in the competition conducted at Baramati. He had won the District level ZP Gold on the 25th September. He now moves on to play the State Level Competition to be held in Mumbai. Many Congratulations to the Champion!



Inter House Results:

| Event / Participating classes | GK Quiz, 4-6 | IBA, 7-9 |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------|
| EXPLORERS | 1 | 2 |
| GUARDIANS | 1 | 1 |
| INNOVATORS | 3 | 2 |
| VANGUARDS | 4 | 4 |



Impressions and Expressions

The Lady and the Woman

There was a young lady in blue,
Who never found her size in a shoe
She cut-off her feet, in a moment of heat
And now walks around on her hands two!



The funny old woman who lived in a shoe,
Folks watched aghast as out she threw
All the brats from her funny house, and then
Proceeded to adopt a mouse
Oh, watch them dance to the didgeridoo!

Apoorva Kering, Special Educator

What makes me laugh

I am called a crying baby,
So what can make me laugh?
This is a big question,
That I ask myself, on your behalf.
I may laugh with a tickle on my tummy,
Especially when done by my mummy.
I get amused by funny faces,
At school, playground, park and many other places.
I laugh aloud at my my brother's silly sounds,
Such funny rounds can be nowhere found.
Quite strangely, sometimes,
I together cry and laugh,
That makes people around me,
Laugh...laugh and just laugh!!!!



Pruthviraj Chavan, Student 5 Rigel TOS 1

Flick

Once, I saw a cartoon,
About the history of the moon,
Then I changed the channel,
Played about the exciting panel,
Again I changed the channel,
This time, I learnt how to kick,
It was boring,
Then change again, it was the 'Nick',
Changing channels I think is called, 'Flick'.



Shlok Deshaval, Student 4 Vega

Fear..

The fear of failing,
Dreading that I'm not good enough,
The realization of the pressure,
The realization of my goals,
My willingness to take risks,
My straightforward views,
My kind, innocent and helpful nature,
My laziness and habit of making excuses,
The fear that what I fear turns into reality;
All these fears are encircling my mind,
Blocking my thoughts, confusing me, causing anxiety.
Fears are meant to be dealt with,
To be proved insignificant and stupid;
I will tackle my fears to emerge braver and stronger than before!
Ishika Jalodia, 11 Antares



Neha Varadharajan, Student 7 Rigel TOS 1

The Chick

Once there was a chick
Obesity was its main tick
Its beak was too thick
And the ice-cream
It could never lick.



Alankrita Tiwari, Student 6 Sirius TOS 1



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Raghav.Sharma.5S

Have fun learning French!

Bonjour tout le monde!

Here we go with few more expressions that you can use on day to day basis -

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Enchanté | (onshanté) | Glad to meet you |
| Excusez moi | (excusez mua) | Excuse me |
| S'il vous plaît | (cil vou play) | Please |
| Bienvenu | (binyevenu) | Welcome |
| Au revoir | (ou rewa) | Good bye |

So, keep using these expressions to sound more French.

Priyanka M, French Teacher



Personality of the month

Sudha Varghese famously known as 'sister Sudha' or 'Didi' was born in 1949 in Kottayam in the state of Kerala, India. She is an Indian socialist, scholar, educationist, nun and philanthropist. In 1965, Sudha with the sisters of Notre Dame shifted to Bihar to work for the welfare of the hungry and poor people of Bihar. For few years she lived there and worked as a teacher. In 1986, she resigned from her job to educate the 'Musahars' and moved into a complex of brick and mud houses. In 1989, she obtained a law degree and fought for the justice of women who were victims of abuse, rape, and sexual harassment. She shifted to Patna in 2005 where she built a school named 'Prerna' which means inspiration. This girls' school was opened in the year 2006 to remove girls from farm labour and to ensure they receive education. After she initiated awareness, 125 girls were enrolled with the school. Sudha taught the girls Fundamental Rights guaranteed to them by our constitution. In addition to the standard curriculum, the school also teaches arts, dance, and karate which would give the girls self-confidence and also self-protection. The girls of Prerna Chhatravas became so proficient that they won five gold, five silver and 14 bronze medals at a competition in Gujarat in 2011, earning a trip to the Asian Junior Karate Championships in Japan, where they won seven trophies. For all that she has given to society, she was recognised and was conferred by the Padma Shri award in 2006.

Mukta Singh, TOS 2 TGT Hindi

Sudha Varghese



Siddharth. Mane.5D



Sahaj.Ajmera.12D



Ayushi.S.9D

Virtue Alone Ennobles

Intensified environmental degradation has triggered the need to conserve our resources and use them parsimoniously. At the Orbis, the habit to conserve electricity and water is inculcated in the students from an early age. Students are encouraged to reduce waste, which is a key step towards conservation. The school canteen is instructed to serve meals in boxes brought by students to reduce the disposable waste, thereby conserving energy which otherwise would have been exhausted to recycle that waste. The science club is working on an automated irrigation system to utilize water and nature club did an amazing work on rainwater harvesting project this month, a team effort by all the Orbians to become the Green Warriors of tomorrow.



Teachers' Corner

NiE Teachers Meet 2018-19 (4th October):

Times NiE, had organised a full filled day for the Teacher Coordinators, at the Times NiE Teachers' meet 2018-19, at the Diamond Water and Adventure Park. It was a memorable experience. The water rides, the zipline, archery and more kept the Orbis representatives engaged and helped strike a cord with other school teachers.

Rashmi Bhujbal, Librarian, TOS 1

Workshop for Hindi Teachers (13th October):

A workshop was organized for the professional growth of Hindi teachers, giving an insight about the latest teaching methodologies in the process of teaching learning. The importance of correct pronunciation of Hindi Varnmala was taken up, and the use of Anunashik and Anuswar were dealt aptly. The session concluded with a PPT pertaining to Muhavare and Locokties. An exhibition showcasing the upcoming new editions were also put up. Overall, it was a wonderful and fruitful experience for our teachers.



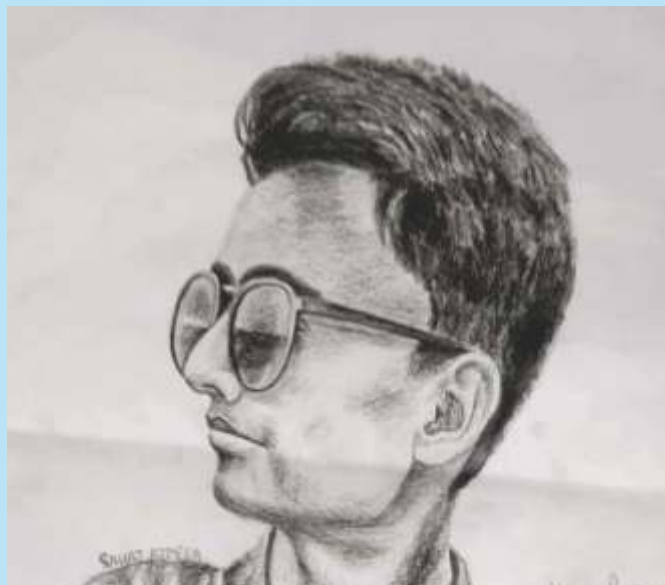
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Parents' Prerogative



Parents Teachers Meet, Classes 1-3 (20th October):

A parent teacher meeting was organized to communicate the scholastic progress of the children. It is a platform to make a lasting bond with the parents which increase the chances of academic success for their children. It was a healthy interaction between the parents and the teachers, where the concerns and a clear-cut plan of action for improvement was shared, after which the parents proceeded to the science exhibition.

Medha Bhalla, CT 1 Rigel TOS 1



Parents Teachers Meet, Classes 4-12 (6th October):

Post the half yearly exams, as the first term came to conclusion, the second Parent Teacher Meeting was conducted. It allowed parents to get an insight into their ward's performance in academics and co-curricular areas. The answer sheets were shown to the parents and measures for improvement were discussed with respective subject teachers. This PTM also provided a platform where, the concerns and challenges faced by the parents were addressed by the class teachers and the Coordinator.

Deepali Ghai, CT 6 Rigel





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I can do it!

- Why did Sudha Varghese obtain the Law Degree?
- Collect more information about "Musahars".
- Why was the Nari Gunjan Sargam Mahila band, formed?



From the Editorial Team:

Those who watch birds and watch them carefully, know how painstakingly they build their lives. How adept and skillful they are. The Baya has always been very intriguing. During the monsoon months when the bounteous paddy fields are patches of plush green and the blades of the grass are long and tenacious, the male Baya will patiently pluck one green blade at a time, go back to the tree and weave it into the nest. He will continue doing so till he has the whole nest ready, with a tunnel for entrance and rooms inside for the young ones and the mother. Before laying the eggs the female bird will inspect the nest, if it is worth its salt, she will accept it as her home or simply discard it, leaving the male to build another one. Birds will take little from nature, as much as they needs. They don't over build, over eat or overburden nature and the environment. Taking what is easily available and what will remain natural and organic. Responsibilities are not passed on from one to another. Each does what it is meant to do. We could learn a thing or two from these little creatures and try to create a more liveable world for all.

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Thought for the month

Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will.

-Mahatma Gandhi

