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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):

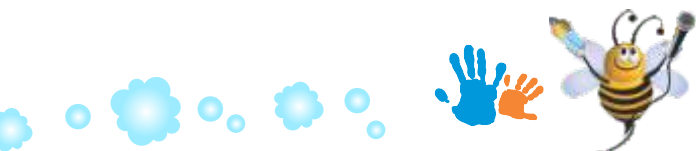
The two-day long Football festival culminated amidst cheer as the winners lifted the coveted Orbis Cup! The tournament saw many new stars being born, many amazing goals and spectacular saves. It also saw team spirit and camaraderie at its best, as the young players jubilantly celebrated the game. The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

Different animals can be pets and become an integral part of the family. Teachers explained the importance of giving pets good care, love, food and shelter. Tiny tots were excited to share their feelings about their pets in the class during 'show and tell' activity. Teachers narrated many stories using animal puppets to the children thus inculcating the value and the need to be compassionate towards animals. The week was filled with fun learning for the children.

Beena Ajayakumar, CT Nursery Apple



Water Week (7th - 12th October):

Water week highlighted the importance of freshwater. The aim was to make the tiny tots understand that water is the essence of life on Earth because all living things need water to survive. Children love playing in water, they learnt about water sources, its uses, importance and that water is a precious resource and hence, should be used wisely. Teachers engrossed children with experiments to show the different states and properties of water.

Aafreen Khan, CT Jr. KG Orange

Water Animals (15th - 19th October):

The week focussed on introducing marine and freshwater animals to pre - primary students. Flashcards of different water animals were shown to children and their characteristics were explained. The topic was reinforced through sponge painting, bubble wrap painting and tear and paste activities.

Sneha Mandaliya, CT Sr. KG Apple





I Grow More, I Know More



Visit to Empress Garden, Class 1 (4th October):

Students of class 1 were treated to a field trip at Pune's historic Empress Garden. The children were thrilled and excited to have an opportunity to visit the lush, green landscapes of the so-called 'Jewel of Pune'. Following a bus ride with lots of singing, the children could barely contain their excitement as they walked through the entrance gates. Once in the garden, they spent the next hour enjoying a nature walk and loved to see the different varieties of plants and flowers. They also enjoyed playing in the park and ate snacks amidst nature.

Rina Anthony, CT 1 Vega

Field Trip to Kelkar Museum, Class 6 (4th October):

To take learning beyond the classroom the students visited the Kelkar Museum. The gateway to the museum was wonderful, with beautiful carvings and designs on the door. We saw weapons and musical instruments made of ivory and a lot of inscriptions on the walls. There were statues of gods and goddesses in varied sizes along with beautiful antiquities which reflect our rich and golden cultural heritage. We saw the Mastani Mahal, statue of Meenakshi, lamp gallery, kitchen equipment, embroidery paintings, puppets, transport used back then, sports played in those days and much more. Indeed, this was an exciting, educational and fun filled trip which took us back in time.

Maithili Naik, Student 6 Vega



IEO Exam, Class 1-4 (11th October):

The International English Olympiad exam was held in our school. The exam was attempted by our young Orbiens after thorough preparation. This competitive exam helps to build their analytical skills and boost their confidence. It also provides very attractive prizes for the Olympiad winners.

Samina Vasi, CT 2 Sirius



Field Trip to BAIF, Class 7 (26th October):

The students of class 7 went for an educational trip to Bharitya Agro Industrial Foundation, Central Research Institute (BAIF) situated at Uruli-Kanchan. When we entered the research unit, we were guided to the different departments. There are discrete departments in the unit and all the departments are widely spread. The first department that we visited was the sericulture unit, which gave us the information about the lifecycle of the silkworm and processing of silk. Then, we made way to the vermicompost department, which made us aware about the composition used for the vermicompost and the different species of the earthworms reared. The final visit was to the biogas department, where the whole processing of natural material to biogas was explained. This field trip gave us widespread practical information about topics we studied and we enjoyed a lot.

Eshita Pal Choudhary, Student 7 Vega



Communication in Theatre, Classes 6-8 (5th October):

Communication is the most important aspect of theatre. A workshop was conducted by Mr. Anub George from Times NIE. Many activities related to emotions, expressions and gestures were conducted. An activity on emotions was conducted where students showed emotions through their facial expressions. A paired activity on posture was conducted where one person enacted as the puppet and had to follow the instructions of the puppeteer. Dumb charades was also conducted to clarify the doubts of students about gestures, emotions and postures where students had to interact with each other based on a given character. It was a great learning experience for students to know about communication in theatres and history of theatre.

Ananya Rao, Student 8 Vega



Field Trip to Katraj Zoo, Class 4 (9th October):

We, the students of class 4 were extremely excited to visit the Katraj zoo. The zoo is spread over 130 acres and surrounded by a lake too! It has almost 70 species of animals. We could see spotted deer, black bucks, chinkara, sambhar, snakes, alligators and many more animals. The zoo is very well maintained and showed the importance of conserving wildlife for balancing the ecosystem. Visiting the zoo was a delight to all of us.

Ashita Lad and Yashvi Awasthi, Students 4 Sirius and 4 Vega



Field Trip to Shaniwar Wada, Class 5 (10th October):

The students from class 5 visited the historical place, Shaniwar Wada built by the Peshwas (Prime Ministers) of the Maratha King Chhatrapati in the 18th century. It was mesmerising to see the architectural design of Shaniwar Wada in Mughal style along with Maratha architectural styles. The palace includes fountains, Ganesh Mahal, Rang Mahal, Aarsa (Mirror) Mahal, Diwan Khana, Hatti Dant (Elephant Tusk), gardens, courtyards and substantial residential areas. It is undoubtedly one of the best forts in Maharashtra and it is our duty to preserve the fort and the glorious past of our country. It was altogether a memorable learning experience.

Riddhima Phadke, Student 5 Sirius



Workshop on Cyber Crime, Classes 7-9 (12th October):

Cybercrime has become a very common phenomenon in today's world. The students got an opportunity to attend an interactive workshop conducted by Ms. Banupriya and Mr. Suman Dutta from KPMG. They enlightened us about fake websites and how could we save ourselves from becoming a victim to cyber crime. They advised us to avoid sharing sensitive personal information in social media as well as other websites. They also informed us about some issues called Phishing, Pop up spam and about the do's and don'ts in social media. We learned that one has to be careful while working online.

Manya Parag Ashar, Student 7 Vega



Orbitheatrum, Sr. KG (25th October):

The Sr. KG annual cultural event depicted India's rich culture and tradition celebrated throughout the year and highlighted the main seasons of our country. Students put on their dancing shoes and tapped on various musical numbers. They gave scintillating presentation on peppy songs and displayed their oratory skills with confidence. The grand finale symbolised 'Unity in Diversity'. The program was graced by the Chief Guest, Mrs. Purnima Joshi who lauded the efforts and talent of the children.

Swati Pareek, CT Sr. KG Mango



Orbitheatrum, Class 3 (26th October):

The Annual cultural extravaganza of Class 3 was based on the theme 'SAARC - Razzmatazz of Cultures'. The event showcased exciting display of different cultures, heritage and uniqueness of the SAARC nations, namely, India, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan. The show was graced by the Chief Guest Mrs. Charu Matai, founder of Sadhu Vaswani Institute of Teachers Training. Mrs. Matai appreciated the students for putting up a very informative act. The show culminated with a colourful SAARC anthem. The audience was charmed by the colourful costumes, songs and dances.

Sumaiya Sheikh, CT 3 Deneb

Orbitheatrum, Class 1 (23rd October):

The annual event started with a bang as Class 1 presented a mesmerising saga of trees, 'Maharashtra-Green Warriors', highlighting the need to increase the green cover around the magnificent state of Maharashtra. Students brought the vibrant culture of the state on the stage, through a well coordinated dance and music performance. The Chief Guest Mrs. Sangita Lobo and all the parents applauded the young artists and also the special learning the event led to.

Rina Anthony, CT 1 Vega



Orbians Learn to protect themselves (25th October):

A session was conducted by Mr. Binu Fernandez to make the students aware of a type of Self-defense named 'AIKIDO'. AIKIDO is the art of learning how to avoid using force and strength, but only logic. By this we do not harm ourselves or the stranger or attacker. Some of the key points that we learnt during the course of this workshop are to stay away from strangers or people whom you do not know very well, be alert and aware of the surroundings, if you are in a closed space, remember the exits, and also remember that the stranger can also be a victim and that he is also at same amount of risk as you are. Lastly, if someone comes and pushes you, assume that you are blocking his way and move aside, the person will automatically move away from you too.

Shravani K, Student 8 Vega



Orbitheaturm, Class 2 (27th October):

Keeping our beautiful country in mind, students of Class 2 celebrated their Annual Cultural Event 'Orbitheaturm' on the theme 'The Vibrant India'. The students took us across various states showcasing the dances, festivals, traditions and cultures unique to each state. The Chief Guest for the event, Mrs. Shaziya Patel, an educator, appreciated the dedication, hard work and talent of the enthusiastic Orbians. The grand finale amalgamated into a showcase of a vibrant and united India giving the important message of unity in diversity and keeping our earth green and clean.

Samina Vasi, CT 2 Sirius



Workshop on Bullying, Classes 6-9 (27th October):

As said by Dan Pearce, "People who love themselves, don't hurt other people. The more we hate ourselves, the more we want others to suffer." Our Student Counsellor Ms Paramita Chakraborty conducted a workshop on Bullying for the students. It started with a group activity, where we were told to write sentences of appreciation and criticism. Here we learnt that bullying is a distinctive behaviour of harming and humiliating others, especially those who are in some smaller, weaker or in a younger position. It is a dominance behaviour. Bullying is an imbalance of power over us, bullies want to see people lose, they find a sadistic pleasure by hurting others. There are different types of bullies like Ostracism, verbal bully, terrorizing, cyber bully, hazing, hate speech etc. To avoid bullying one needs to be resilient, emotionally strong and mentally tough so no matter what the bully says. Last but not the least lean on an adult. As said by Robert E Lee "Never do a wrong thing to make a friend, or to keep one."

Adi Somu, 7 Vega



Dart Competition (27th Oct - 28th Oct):

A prestigious competition 'PDC India Darts Qualifier' was hosted by The Orbis School. Dart players from all over the country and Indian nationals staying abroad participated in the event. The winner of this round qualified to represent India at the Professional Darts World Cup in London in December 2018. Samad Mohammed Fallah, a left-arm medium-pace bowler who plays for the Indian Premier League and Maharashtra in domestic cricket, was amongst the chief invitees for the day.

Tincy Simon, CT 2 Vega



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

The Each One Teach One Club is a motivation for the members to understand their moral and social responsibility of teaching at least one illiterate person. Not every individual in our society is equally privileged. Students of the club have a dual role as both student and teacher, it provides a good way for them to learn through teaching. This club teaches the help staff the basic requirements to communicate in English and to write their names as well. This will help them to communicate with students, parents and situations outside the school premises with ease. We feel every individual's contribution can bring about a significant positive change in the current state of illiteracy.

K. Pranavi, Student 9 Vega

Orbitheatrum, PG, Nursery and Jr. KG (30th October):

The Annual Cultural Event of PG, Nursery and Junior Kindergarten was celebrated with great pomp and show. It began with 'World of Rhymes' by PG and Nursery who danced around the stage happily. The show further continued with the theme 'World of Music' presented by Jr. KG. Music and song filled the air. There was a thrilling sequence of dances expressing happiness, celebration, patriotism and spirituality. The Chief Guest Ms. Poonam and Ms. Hemlata of Little Millennium School appreciated the young performers. It was really a gala day for everyone.

Mona Antony, CT Jr. KG Apple



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.

Shreedevi Bhandari, PTI



Special Assemblies

Gandhi Jayanti, Classes 4-9 (3rd October):

As part of an ongoing programme of learning and inculcating Gandhian values in the Orbis school, a special assembly was conducted by the students of class 6 Vega to pay homage to the father of the nation. The highlight of the assembly was the enactment of anecdotes from Gandhiji's life. This was followed by taking of the oath of non-violence where the students solemnly promised themselves that they would respect others and uphold the values of Gandhiji. Our headmistress addressed the gathering and shared her views on peace and non-violence, which inspired and invoked the spirit of the unforgettable sacrifice for our motherland.

Manuraj Singh, Student 6 Vega





World Students' Day (15th October):

Due to his active role in promoting education, the United Nations declared A. P. J. Abdul Kalam's birthday as 'World Students' Day' in 2010. Since then, this day has been celebrated across the world. Dr. Kalam loved to teach and that is how he wanted to be remembered. On this auspicious day, the Orbians of class 4 Sirius conducted a special assembly reminding us about the thoughts and beliefs of Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam. They presented a small act which spoke about Dr. Kalam's vision for India.

Janvi Agarawal, Student 7 Vega



Vigilance Awareness Week (29th October-2nd November):

The Orbis School in association with the Times of India celebrated the Vigilance Week to spread this message of safety and security. The main essence was to give an insight to students to about various ways in which one can potentially encounter danger in today's times. During this week the students learnt that bullying is a distinctive behaviour of harming and humiliating others, specifically those who are in some smaller, weaker or in a younger position. Similar workshops were conducted on Cyber Security and POCSO by the School Counsellor. A workshop on Internet Protocol was taken by KPMG which included safe use of social media, online shopping, cyber games and cyber attacks was conducted for classes 7 to 9. A panel discussion was conducted by the students of classes 6 to 8 on security and spreading awareness. The school also conducted a mock evacuation drill. The week ended with a special assembly and street Play on Vigilance conducted by classes 8 and 9. The students also got the opportunity to interact with the Police Kaka of Mundhwa police station.

Parul Astana, CT9 Vega



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.



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!

ZP Skating Competition (4th October):

Manuraj Singh, 7 Vega and Krishna Biareaddy, 6 Vega, secured 6th position, in Under-14 Boys at Viman Nagar International Skating Rink by Skating Association of Pune. Applauses for your active participation.

Saksham National Competition, PCRC, Ministry of Petroleum (9th October):

To sensitize young students about conservation of petroleum products and environmental protection, the Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA) conducted Saksham National Competition in our school for the categories of painting and essay writing. The students of classes 5 to 7 participated in painting competition. Dhyaneswari Kolhe, 6 Vega and Ananya Gourishetty, 7 Vega received certificate for the best entry - school level (Junior wing) and for classes 7-9, Poorva Khare, 9 Vega, Tanishq Kothari, 7 Vega and Ananya Rao, 8 Vega received certificate for the best entry- school level (Senior wing) in the Hindi and English essay competition on the topic 'Save fuel for better environment'.



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!

The winners:

Gold: Manan Gupta, 1 Sirius

Silver: Vedant Rajmane, 1 Vega

Bronze: Sanvi Ghiya, 3 Deneb, Sidhartha Nandimandalam, 5 Vega, Heer Mantri, 4 Vega, Diya Agarwal, 6 Vega, Darshil Yadav, 3 Deneb, Divyam Ranjan, 4 Deneb

TERRE Olympiad (20th -30th October):

We are glad to announce that Sahasra Musalikunta, class 8 Vega and Tanishq Kothari, class 7 Vega, are selected for Final round examination of TERRE Olympiad. They were the highest scorers in the Sapling category. We congratulate them and wish them good luck for the upcoming final round. The final round of the same will be conducted in the school between 20th - 30th October 2018.



Inter House Results:

| Event / Participating classes | IBA 8-9 |
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| EXPLORERS | 1 |
| GUARDIANS | 4 |
| INNOVATORS | 3 |
| VANGUARDS | 2 |



Open Roller-Skating Tournament (20th October):

Manan Gupta, class 1 Sirius secured third position in open roller-skating tournament under professional category at Viman Nagar held at International Skating Rink.



Impressions and Expressions

Earth on Edge

Day-by-day the temperature of the Earth is increasing, and density of trees are decreasing. Due to this Global Warming is occurring on Earth. Carbon Dioxide is a very useful gas, as it creates the Greenhouse effect which traps the heat from the Earth and does not allow it to escape in space. This makes Earth livable, otherwise it would have been too cold. But when a lot of Carbon dioxide is released by the cars, factories, industries etc., it causes global warming. Then, because of this the glaciers and snow melts from the cold regions causing the water levels to rise which in turn causes floods in low lying areas. In hot places like Rajasthan, it can cause drought due to which humans, animals and plants die because of lack of water. So, let's get together and save our Earth by planting more trees and saplings and reduce the use of objects that release a lot of Carbon dioxide (like cars).

Sanjeet Roy, Student 7 Vega

Friends

Friends share secrets, Friends don't tell.
Friends spend good times, Bad as well.
Friends share things, With one another,
That's because friends like Each other.
Of all the happy things, There are.
Friends are very best, By far.

Vishruti C Rana, Student 3 Sirius



India's Relation with the World

Communication and Connections are the keys for a better country.

India is an emerging country in the field of science and technology. It also plays an important role in the strengthening the bonds with other countries. It has a growing international influence and voices its opinion in global affairs. Our country is a part of BRICS, World Trade Organisation, International Monetary Fund, SAARC etc. As an emerging country, it is very important for India to be a part of World economy.

Maithili Naik, Student 6 Vega

Old is Gold

When I grow old, I want to be fit
And among my family I want to be a hit.
I want to play with my grandchildren my favourite game soccer
and even in that old age, I want to hop like a grasshopper.
I want to ride with my grandchildren, in a roller coaster,
Even then I want to be crisp as a toast fresh out of toaster.
I want to enjoy my life, even in old age
Because life is full of fun at every stage.

Darsh Bhardwaj, Student 5 Vega



For me unconditional love is Football

Most of us like football because of the ease of preparation and spontaneity of few others getting ready to play it along with you. The young ones eventually gain interest by seeing the elders or their friends play it. A similar incident happened with me too. I was newly enrolled in The Orbis School. The time I joined school was the time when we had our football season on and inter-house matches were going on. They all asked me to take up goalkeeping and I happily agreed. Then the referee blew the whistle and the match started. I was kind of little nervous and thought "If I get hurt on my face, what would happen to me?" Then I thought, "Come on Rudransh. It's just a game. Play on and give your best." This self-motivation gave me positive vibes and I was all set for my life's first football match ever. My opponents tried to breach my goal-post many times and I thwarted many of their attempts. I even got hurt on my face but still continued to play on. I felt a blast of zeal, enthusiasm and energy to do best for my team and this is how I felt in love with football. My parents got to know about this and within a week they enrolled me into a good football training club where my classmates were trained. I was very happy with all these developments. My Parents gifted me football boots and other accessories. In a few days time, I went for the club, Football School of India (FSI) selections in Mumbai with my classmates and did my best and I was selected as the goalkeeper for the under-12 category. I trained hard. I played and enjoyed the fact that I had an unconditional love for football.



Rudransh Pandey, Student 7 Vega

Have fun learning French!

Bonjour tout le monde! Here we go with few more expressions that you can use on day to day basis -

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

So, keep using these expressions to sound more French.

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 'Perna' 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 Perna 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.

Sudha Varghese



Mukta Singh, TOS 2 TGT Hindi

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):

More than 100 teachers enjoyed a fun-filled outing to Diamond Water and Adventure Park, Lohegaon as part of the Times NIE Teachers' Meet. Fun games, including a quirky musical chair and a quiz saw the teachers participating actively. The real excitement started with water rides - Octopus, Multilane, Cyclone, Sea pirate, lazy river etc. Teachers also spent time at the wave pool, dancing to the beats of the peppy songs. The next half of the day was spent at the adventure park. For most, it was the first time on the rides. Others, who found it challenging to overcome fear, had their peers cheering them on. The educators had made new friends by the end of the day.

Rashmi Patankar, Librarian



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.

Santhosh P, CT 4 Sirius

Parents' Prerogative

Parent Teacher Meet, PP (6th October):

A parent teacher meet was organised for pre-primary to discuss the scholastic and co-scholastic achievements of the children. The teachers identified the problems and challenges faced by the students and at the same time suggested measures to remediate the same. It was a fruitful day for both teachers and parents.

Anisha Sherwani, Coordinator PP



Parents Teachers Meet, Classes 4-9 (20th October):

The parent teacher meeting was held with the objective of discussing the performance of the students in the Half Yearly Examination. Parents and the teachers raised and resolved their queries and concerns regarding the academic and social behaviour of the students.

Sumina Jacob, UP Coordinator



EPTA Meeting (27th October):

The second Executive Committee - Parent Teacher Association Meeting was held. It was a platform where both the parent and teacher members collaborated to ensure smooth and meaningful planning of scholastic and co scholastic activities. functioning of the school. The meeting took note of all scholastic and co-scholastic activities. Ways to improve academic performance, need for workshops and Inter school competitions being conducted for both students and staff, for growth and empowerment, were also discussed.



Parental feedback

Here's sharing with you a few thoughts from 'The Book of Impressions', Orbitheatrum.

- 'It was awesome programme and hats off to the coordinator and teachers who were working on it. It was amazingly organised.' - **Dr. Prajakta**
- 'Well scripted, superbly organised and amazingly directed cultural Program! Kudos to the entire team and school. Proud to have our child in this school.' - **Mr. Pravin Bajaj**
- 'Splendid performance! Teachers have put great efforts on each and every student. My child is lucky to have teachers like you.' - **Mr. Raj Nithesh**



Manish Patil - 8 Vega



Samyak - 4 Sirius



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

