



Celebrate Learning
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From the Principal's Desk

'Climate change' is the trending buzz word. With the UN Climate Summit having recently concluded, we saw young 16 year old Greta Thunberg tackle world leaders head on about their failure to handle the climate crisis and this has inspired youngsters around the world to join the movement and do their bit in trying to bring about a positive change in their environment. Change is a constant in everything in nature. Nothing that has life in it ever remains the same. But why do we humans inherently resist change? We hate to move out of our comfort zone and find change uncomfortable. So, while we long for a change every now and then, we also fight to hold on to what we have. But nothing can happen without a readiness to change, so until we recognize in ourselves a willingness to let go of the old and an openness to accepting challenges, we will not relinquish that which needs to be dropped, even if it is causing us a lot of grief.

It is imperative to replace old habits with new ones, negative thinking

with positive, passivity with active participation, regressive thinking with open mindedness and so on. A profound transformation occurs when this happens. We begin to grow and evolve.

But changing mindsets can prove to be a daunting task as we are by nature, creatures of habit. This is where practice comes into play and if we can begin the practice of positive thinking, self-acceptance, optimism, cheerfulness etc, change will inevitably happen one day. The goal after all, is progress not perfection.

So, unless each one of us is committed to change, both within us and without, the efforts of Greta and countless youngsters around the world who are working relentlessly to change mindsets will not find fruition. In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, whose 150th birth anniversary we celebrate this year, "Be the change you wish to see in the world."

Nalini Samuel

Dear Students, Parents and Staff of the Orbis Schools,

The Orbis Schools are manifestations of certain deliberated and purposeful aims and ideals. Over the last decade steady and definite steps have ensured that we have reached a point from where, when we glance back, we feel a sense of satisfactory accomplishment and when we look ahead, we see a long road full of promises and opportunities. Opportunities to nurture young minds and bodies who would lead our nation and the world, making themselves, their parents, alma mater and the country proud.

It is this vision which requires a meticulous plan and to deliver on that a team which has a common resolve and belief in the schools' ethos and convictions. This team has been delivering and now shall renew its vigour with a new leader at the helm, who is completely aligned to what the school stands for, subscribes to and is as enthused as the rest to deliver on that promise.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am delighted to introduce the gracious Mrs. Nalini Samuel, an academican par excellence of about 25 years and of that, many years as Vice Principal, with the prestigious 159-year-old Cathedral and John Connon School, Fort, Mumbai. As a teacher she has distinguished herself with the very best schools; Christ Church and G D Somani and she brings that fine legacy to the Orbis. Her leadership shall enrich the Orbis School, Keshavnagar to further enhance its delivery of the teaching and learning.

Mrs. Samuel, the teacher believes in encouraging and mentoring students to achieve their full potential and grow to be happy and well-rounded individuals. She has a special interest in sports and encourages its implementation as an important part of every school's

curriculum. In her capacity as teacher and Vice-Principal, she has accompanied students to various countries and Institutions and is a strong believer in the globalization of education.

Mrs. Samuel is a daughter and wife of Ex-Army Officers and has two daughters who live and work in Mumbai.

To further augment the team at the Orbis School, Keshavnagar we welcome by Mrs. Sonia McPherson as Head Mistress, Lower and Pre-Primary. She is a versatile young and dynamic educationist since 1995. She has collaborated with teachers in creating and implementing powerful learning environments.



An M.Phil in Pure Mathematics she has a flair for the French language, holds a certificate in Media and Public Relations from IITM and is also a certified Master Trainer by Intel. She is the recipient of the National Human Resource Optimisation Award at the 33rd World Congress Management, 2012, in the areas of Primary and Secondary School Education, Child Care and Development.

As we welcome them both, we wish them a very long and fruitful stay with the Orbis family.

With warm regards,

Haseeb Faquih,
Secretary,
Orbis Education Society.

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Big News!

The Orbis School - Ranked No.3 in Pune!

We are proud and pleased to inform you that 'The Orbis School' is Ranked No. 3 in Pune and No. 12 in Maharashtra in the category 'CBSE Schools'. The Maharashtra School Merit Awards 2019 was held in Mumbai on 14th September. The school has been rated on parameters such as academic reputation, individual attention, holistic development, sports education, innovative teaching practices, safety & hygiene, co-curricular activities etc.

Congratulations to every member of The Orbis Family!



Global Teacher Awards

With great pride we announce that our **Director Mr. Haseeb Faquih** was recognised and adjudged as '**Highly Effective Edupreneur**' at the Global Teacher Conclave and Awards 2019, New Delhi, presented by AKS Foundation, for his outstanding contribution in the field of education. It gives us immense pride to announce that the dedication and sincere efforts put in by our teachers Ms. Pratibha Singh (Coordinator - Upper Primary), Ms. Amita Sinha (Coordinator - Secondary) and Ms. Farheen Shaikh (Lead Teacher - Lower Primary) were also recognised at the global platform where they were felicitated with this prestigious Global Teacher Award. Teachers from around 70 countries participated in the event held in Delhi and were rewarded for their remarkable contribution in their profession.

Mrs. Pratibha Singh has had a journey of more than 20 years in the teaching field. With her background in the Army, she has taught in different parts of the country, learning innovative ways of teaching, catering to each child in their unique learning style.

Mrs. Amita Sinha, during her brief engagement of 6 years with teaching, has motivated the students to acquire advanced linguistic skills and has presented her innovative teaching methodologies at various national and international platforms.

Mrs. Farheen Sheikh believes in holistic development of the students through education. During her 13-year long journey in the profession, she has been known for her activity based joyful classrooms and her administrative skills.

Congratulations to all of them.



Best Teacher Award

It was a proud moment for all of us at the Orbis School, when our teacher **Ms. Padmamalini Kumar** received the 'Best Teacher Award' by the I.I.H.M, on Teachers Day, this year. She was felicitated amidst a gathering of eminent academicians, with a certificate and a trophy frame. Congratulations Ma'am, we wish you the very best!



Flavours from our orchard

Air Around Us (1st - 6th September):

Air is important for all living things. To understand its importance, the young learners were made to feel the presence of air around them through activities like 'blow and drift'. They watched pieces of paper fly as they blew them, realising that the harder they blew the further the paper went. They students learnt to blow balloons, using straws. The use of wind, in generation of power was explained in simple terms. They also got an understanding of clean air and polluted air, thus learning that bursting crackers and burning garbage creates polluted air. These were small but sure steps to look forward to a cleaner earth.

Aditi Joshi, CT Nursery Apple



Hindi - My National Language (9th - 13th September):

India is a land of many languages and each one is rich with culture and heritage. Hindi is our national language and is one of the main languages taught in schools. Great writers and poets have created an exceptional body of literary work, some of which we celebrated this week. The students of the pre-primary made sincere efforts to tell stories in Hindi. They recited Hindi rhymes and were introduced to the Devanagari script.

Ashia Faruk, CT Jr.KG Peach

Feelings (16th - 20th September):

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt." The tiny tots of the pre primary section experienced these different feelings through various activities. The children thereafter expressed their feelings through drawings. They drew faces expressing their mood; happy, sad, upset or angry. The children also enjoyed expressing different feelings through their facial expressions in front of the mirror. They were also shown digital modules on 'feelings'. Helping children to understand and identify different feelings, encouraging them to express their feelings without any inhibitions, in a safe environment, will help them to develop socially and emotionally.

Hufrish Dutt, CT Sr.KG. Kiwi



Orbiloqui (20th - 27th Sept)

The Annual Literary event 'Orbiloqui' gave our kindergartners a platform to perform on stage not only with confidence and flair, but also with joy and enthusiasm. Story Telling, Show and Tell, Quiz, Recitation and interactive sessions lit the stage with a motivated, energetic and positive spirit of competition. The parents encouraged the children and appreciated the efforts put in by the teachers and students wholeheartedly.

Ashia Faruk, CT Jr.KG Peach



Animal Features and Sounds (23rd - 27th September):

A small glimpse into the vast animal kingdom was given to the children during this week where the focus was on physical features and sounds of animals. It was a great joy to see the excitement on the faces of the children as they watched different animals on the screen. The children also enjoyed activities like sticking cotton on sheep and making an origami dog. It was a very exciting session indeed!

Aditi Joshi, CT Nursery Apple



Nutrition Fortnight - Sandwich Making Activity, Classes 1 to 3 (1st - 15th September):

Under the CBSE guidelines, 'Nutrition Fortnight' was celebrated with the aim of inculcating in children good eating habits and also an understanding of good nutrition for good health. The little Orbians made healthy sandwiches using all their creative skills. It was a treat to the eyes to see delicious sandwiches being made with ingredients such as cheese, tomatoes, boiled potatoes, butter to name a few. These healthy sandwiches were then shared and enjoyed by all!

Nalini Saklani, CT 2 Vega





Swachh Bharat - Awareness Walk (4th September):

It has been a constant endeavour of the students of The Orbis School, Keshavnagar to create awareness among people and kindle fire in them for environmental causes. This time the students from The Interact Club participated in an awareness walk, as part of the campaign for the Swachh Bharat - Swachhta Pakhwada. The objective of this rally was to create awareness in and around the school premises and to promote the benefits of health and hygiene. The young enthusiasts chanted slogans with full fervour and made their presence felt by the residents of the adjoining localities. The students are determined to transform the face of the city by their small but sincere steps.



Teachers' Day Celebration (5th September):

Teachers' Day is celebrated in memory of Dr. Radha Krishnan - a great teacher and philosopher. The day reminds us of our responsibilities as teachers and it is also a day to introspect and take pride in our profession which is to be facilitators and educators of the younger generations. The students expressed their gratitude through a beautiful programme, put up with a lot of love and respect. This was followed by a staff lunch at the Hyatt Pune, where the entire Orbis family enjoyed a sumptuous meal. A day to remember as we pledge to continue working with dedication and positive fervour.

Nupur Khanna, Asst. Teacher Lower Primary



Swachhata Pakhwada Activities (6th- 9th September):

A drawing competition was held in the Fine Arts Club, as a part of the 'Swachhata Pakhwada'. The theme was to create an artwork which inspires others to actively promote cleanliness. The students showcased stimulating ideas and translated them on paper with vibrant colours. Also, an informative workshop on personal hygiene was conducted by Ms. Romal Surana, the Co-founder of Nanha Gyan Foundation. The children realised the importance of washing hands, bathing, and brushing teeth twice a day, etc. Ms. Surana also explained the effective ways of maintaining good personal hygiene. During this 'Swachhata Week', the students of class 4 enthusiastically participated in an essay writing competition on the topic 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness'. Students of class 6 were on duty, collecting plastic waste from the school premises. They carried placards with slogans, on the need to ban plastic in and around the school and created awareness about the same. A tree plantation drive was carried out to increase the green cover and do our bit towards saving the planet. Students of Class 3 extended this learning to their neighbourhood by cleaning their classes, thereby dignifying labour and the efforts put in by the cleaning staff.

Neera Baxi, CT 6 Vega and Harpreet Gandhi, CT 2 Rigel



International General Knowledge Olympiad, Classes 1 to 8 (6th September):

International General Knowledge Olympiad (IGKO) is a unique exam based on the importance of day to day knowledge about current events happening in India and the world. It was held during school hours and around hundred students participated. General knowledge of the students was tested with a varied range of questions from various streams. The students answered the questions enthusiastically within the time limit. It was a step ahead towards general awareness.

Shikha Dixit, Asst. Teacher Lower Primary



World Literacy Day Poster Making Classes 1 to 3 (9th September):

World Literacy Day was celebrated in school as an initiative to create awareness about the importance of literacy. Interesting posters and slogans were made as an inter-house activity. Children were well equipped and each one came up with the best of their abilities and displayed their creativity. It was truly a learning for the students as they understood that literacy is a necessity for social and personal development which ultimately helps in eradication of poverty, gender inequality and helps not only in individual growth, but also contributes to the overall growth and upliftment of the nation and the world.

Pausali Dasgupta, CT 3 Rigel

Half Yearly Exams, Classes 4-12 (19th - 27th September):

After months of learning and teaching, it is time for the half yearly assessments; a mandatory step for reinforcement and evaluation both for the students and the teachers. The marking scheme and duration varies for the different classes. The students appear for one paper every day. The half yearly exams mark the end of Term 1 and thereafter begin Term 2. The students worked hard to prepare for the exams and gave it their best. We hope for excellent results after all the hard work put in by them.

Orientation Session for Mahabehes Participants (21st September):

An orientation session was organized for the parents of the students who qualified for Mahabehes, the national round of the inter-school debate competition, Behes, held at the school in July. Mahabehes will be held at Indirapuram Public School, Ghaziabad in the month of December and around 800 participants from all across the country are expected to participate in the same. During the session, the organizers of Mahabehes interacted with the parents through Skype and answered all their queries regarding the competition and stay arrangements.



Inter house Chess Competition, Classes 4 to 6 (18th September):

An Inter House Chess Competition was held in school, where the players used lateral thinking skills to beat their opponent with calculated moves and rational thinking. The competition was a spirited one, and the game kept all minds focused and alert. For results please see, 'I did it'.

Handwriting Competition (24th September):

An Intra Class Handwriting Competition for the students of Classes 1 and 2 was organised by Apsara pencils with the objective of encouraging children to improve their handwriting. Good handwriting always boosts the confidence of the young students and has a positive impact on both; the one who writes as well as the one who reads.

Arpita Saxena, CT 1 Vega



World Tourism Day (26th September)

Orbians celebrated World Tourism Day by understanding the significance of tourism and its social, political, financial and cultural values. They were engaged in creative writing activities, writing about some fascinating tourist places from South East Asian countries like Japan, China, Maldives, Sri Lanka, Bhutan and Nepal. They also drew pictures to express their views using images.

Neeta Rawat, CT 3 Vega



Club of the month

Safety Club

At the Orbis School, we strive to provide a safe environment for our students. Considerable care is taken to make the school a safe haven for all. The Safety club members learn to take care of these aspects. Students of classes 4 to 6 along with the club teachers are part of this team. Students are carefully instructed about the safety measures to be taken in case of an emergency or any mishap. Many activities are conducted like an awareness session on road safety, safety measures to be taken during fire accidents, importance of first aid kit, poster making and role-play to name a few. Students enjoy being a part of these activities and are trained to be equipped to handle emergency situations.



Interact Club

The Interact Club is a Rotary sponsored, service club for the students of class 7, with the main objective of identifying social concerns and finding ways to combat them. It also gives the members of the club an opportunity to serve society and be sensitised to social needs. Not only do they recognise the tasks but also prepare plans and project reports to raise funds, materials and deliver them to the right places, at the right time. One of the projects for this year included support for underprivileged children. An awareness walk was organised, among many other things and more than thirty Interactors, including its eight elected members, worked sincerely and ardently to bring about some positive change in the lives of these children, for every drop counts.



Special Assemblies

Hindi Diwas - Class 1-3 (14th September):

Hindi Diwas is celebrated every year with the objective of highlighting the rich legacy of the national language Hindi, one of the official languages of Republic India. Students of classes 1-3 conducted a special assembly to emphasize the importance of the language. Folk tales in Hindi were narrated and couplets (Dohe) and poems of famous poets like Kabir Das, Rahim Das, Tulsi Das and Ravi Das were recited. It was a celebration of the Hindi language through literature and art by the young Orbiens.

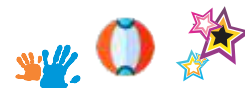
Priti Pathak, ST Lower Primary



150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi (24th September)

The young Orbiens celebrated the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi and shared life lessons that we can learn from his life through a special assembly that was conducted by the students of class 3 Antares. The children spoke about Gandhiji's teachings and principles, followed by the recitation of a poem in Hindi titled 'Gandhiji Ke Teen Bandar'. The assembly concluded with the introduction of our new Principal Ms. Nalini Samuel who had an interactive session with the children.

Arti Raina, CT 3 Antares



Our Green Ways

One Child, One Plant Campaign

Trees play an important role in our ecosystem. Plantation of trees and plants in a planned way can help maintain the required ecological balance and equilibrium in nature. CBSE believes that students are the change makers. Hence, the Board has launched a massive tree plantation campaign called 'One Child, One Plant Campaign'. To initiate the campaign, the Nature Club students brought a few saplings to the school. Information on the species of the saplings, its benefits and its care were discussed during the plantation drive. Students are encouraged to take care of the plants planted by them and monitor their progress. Different awareness videos on 'Plantation and Caring for Plants' were shown to the students. This activity also motivated the students to plant a tree wherever convenient.



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!

CBSE U19 Boys Football Tournament (5th - 6th September):

The U19 Boys Football team won the first round against Swarnleela International School Nashik with a score of 4 - 0. The team won their next match against Apeejay School, Mumbai with a score of 3 - 1 at Army Public School Dighi. Congratulations on both the wins!

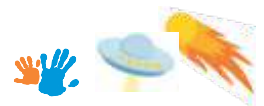
British Council Library - Reading challenge

The British Council Library hosted an event, 'Reading Challenge - 2019' to celebrate its 60th anniversary in Pune. It was based on the theme 'Space Chase', in an endeavour to honour 50 years of humans landing on the moon. Two workshops were conducted for the students - one on storytelling and the other on story writing. They were challenged to read as many books as they could in four weeks and then write a story which they later had to narrate to an audience. The Orbians took up the challenge enthusiastically, to prove their skills. Krishiv G. Rekhi, class 4 Rigel bagged the 1st prize and was awarded a British Council membership for a year. Rishik Rekhi, class 2 Deneb won a prize for the best book review and for the maximum number of books read. Congratulations to both the winners!



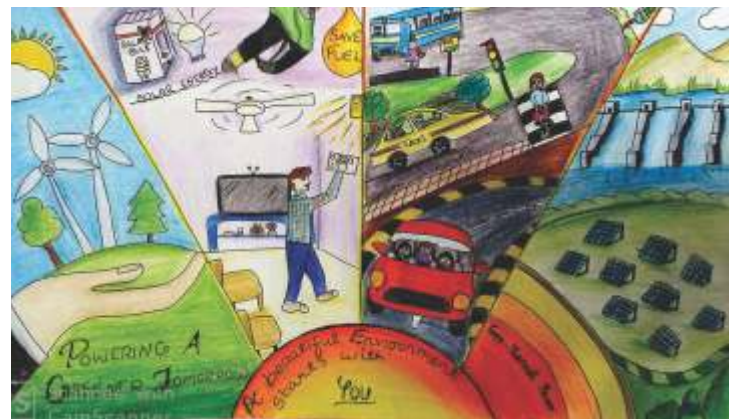
U14 Boys Cricket (5th, 17th and 18th September):

Congratulations to the U14 Boys Cricket team on their victory against Vibgyor High Magarpatta by 12 runs and against Orchid School by 5 runs. The team also won the match against Symbiosis School by 39 runs and has entered the quarter finals of ZP matches. Keep it up!



Petroleum Conservation Research Association Competition (14th September):

PCRA 'Saksham' National competition - 2019 was held in school, to sensitize young students on the conservation of petroleum products and environment protection. Classes 5 to 10 participated in various activities related to the theme. Students of classes 5 and 6 drew beautiful posters and pictures on the topic 'Oil conservation towards healthy and better environment'. Pinki Pal and Shrestha Sharma, 5 Vega secured the 1st and 2nd positions respectively. Students of classes 7 - 10 participated in Essay Writing Competitions in Hindi and English. Simran Srivastava, 10 Vega and Ishika Gupta, 10 Sirius were awarded for their outstanding essay in English while Samiksha Jain of Class 8 Rigel and Anant Syam of Class 7 Antares stood out for their essay in Hindi.



Shotokan Cup Pune - Karate Competition (14th September):

The Orbians have proved their mettle once again in the Shotokan Karate Competition. The school was awarded a trophy for best performance as we stood first among 15 schools.

Gold Medals - Rishik Rekhi and Aarna Sheth, 2 Deneb, Avanish Singh Bisht, 3 Rigel, Aashi Agarwal, 3 Antares, Yashaswa Joshi, 4 Vega, Samarth Sawant, 4 Deneb, Nishhad Pokale, 4 Rigel, Shaurya Sheth and Manan Parmar, 5 Deneb, Lakshita Pattnaik, 5 Sirius, Samrat Jogdand, 6 Rigel, Steve Halam, 6 Rigel, Dhruv Rai, 6 Polaris, Owaiz Khan Pathan, 7 Deneb, Vedant Waghmare, 9 Vega.

Silver Medals - Shreya Verma, 4 Vega, Kshitij Agarwal, 4 Rigel, Aryan Agarwal, 5 Vega, Arnav Dughrekar, 6 Polaris, Pradyumna Patil, 7 Rigel, Dhriti Jha, 7 Sirius, Om Lonkar, 7 Deneb.

Bronze Medals - Mohammad Naseem and Ayaan Sachin Joshi 3 Deneb, Abhinav Madala, 3 Rigel, Arya Vijaykumar Biraje, 4 Vega Karthikey Kharyal, Sarthak Santhosh Shinde and Riya Virkud, 4 Sirius, Yuvika Tyagi, 4 Deneb, Bhavikk Sanghvi, 5 Antares, Sharvari Sagar Hingmire and Shraddha Prajapati, 5 Rigel, Rugved Bidkar, 6 Deneb, Manasvi Wankhede, 6 Polaris, Ishan Ladkat, 6 Rigel Ayush Kumar Singh, 5 Deneb, Anuska Mukherjee, 6 Vega Aarav Wakil, 6 Deneb, Srikar Gonaboyina, 6 Rigel, Ananya Jadhav, 8 Vega Dhriti Bastawade, 8 Deneb.

Keep up the good work, we are proud of you!



U14 ZP Karate Fight Competition:

Congratulations to Rahul Badam, 8 Sirius for winning 6 consecutive fights and being awarded a gold medal! He has been selected for the zonal level competition in Baramati. Keep it up!



Inter House Results:

Event/Participating classes	Poster Making 1-3	Chess Competition 4-6
EXPLORERS	2nd	3rd
GUARDIANS	1st	1st
INNOVATORS	2nd	4th
VANGUARDS	4th	2nd



Impressions and Expressions

The Mask

All that glitters is not gold.
Never judge a book by its cover.
Don't criticize what you can't understand.
Popular idioms, the above are,
But what do they truly convey?
Have we really understood their underlying meaning?
An all-rounder might actually be a nuisance,
Malibu Barbie might be the one seeking her true self,
A cheerful person might be the most sorrowful inside,
The best athlete might want an out, to try something new.
Daddy's little girl might want to step into the world and fulfil her dreams.
A person, whose entire life is planned out for him, might want to create his own path.
The message here?
Each and every homosapien wears a mask;
A mask, that majority don't know exists.
Few, don't bother to unmask.
And the remaining, either try and give up, or are successful in unveiling the mask.
Nobody knows another being one hundred percent.
We are the only ones who know the truth about ourselves.
We are the master of our lives, the true creators, the captain of our ship.
Focus on our true selves and in the process unmask the people you love,
And don't judge the faces whose masks you cannot unveil.
Ishika Jalodia, Student 12 Antares



Anger
Anger, the destroyer,
You bring destruction.
For everything you destroy,
We again start the construction.

Some say you come from greed,
Some say you come from passion,
O, Anger! Please tell me,
From where do you come?
And where do you stay?

(Anger replies)
"I always stay inside you,
I come from roaring pain,
Which always leave a stain?"

I come from the weakness,
Making you helpless,
I am welcomed by longing,
And called by grief.

Please try to understand me,
Handle me with patience,
And treat me with kindness.
Next time you see me,
don't run away,
Instead ask me to stay.
And with your gracious self and warmth
Convert my wrath into love."
Paryu Jain, Student 10 Deneb



Haikus!!

"Haiku" is a traditional form of Japanese poetry. Haiku poems consist of 3 lines. The first and last lines of a Haiku have 5 syllables and the middle line has 7 syllables. The lines rarely rhyme.

Sand of time
Yellow sand stands still
Salty waves hit the shore
Peace fills the air.
Anwita Madrekar, Student 7 Antares



Existence
Winter is freezing cold
The birds migrate
Getting ready for a new life.
Manasi Gokule, Student 9 Deneb



Variance
The rain pours fiercely
The sun comes out shining with pride
A rainbow spreads its wings.
Samiksha Jain, Student 8 Rigel



Silent tears
Rain drops fall again
Glistening in the dark
No one to wipe them.
Anahita Gambhir, Student 9 Sirius



September
September is wet
The mist brings harmony
A frog leaps in the water
Joy spreads.
Mahil Anthony, Student 9 Deneb



A Strive
He dwells his life in truth
Pride fills my heart
Honesty pays him well, My father.
Siddharth S. Gautam, Student 9 Deneb



Smile
Deeper than the oceans is my smile,
I love it because it keeps me mild.
The one who knows all my anger, my sorrow,
and my regret,
Is my smile.
I love it because it keeps me mild.
Anvesha Sharma, Student 10 Vega



Proud to be a Teacher

I am a teacher,
Yes, I am a teacher.
You can also call me,
A guide or a mentor.

I shape many lives,
Give them wings to fly.
With love and compassion,
I help them to realise their passion.

For me and my pupils, each day is a new day,
Where we learn, we talk, we study and laugh.
I am warm yet firm, loving but stern.
I help them set goals, also handle their brawls.

Inside the classroom, we work as a team
To create a world of wisdom and dreams.
I want to teach more, enlighten more,
With whatever I have in my knowledge store.

I am a teacher, very responsible,
Lending to many futures.

Yes, I am a teacher,
A very Proud Teacher!

Nidhi Paul, CT 4 Rigel



My meeting with Kiran Bedi

20th September 2019 was the most memorable day for me. I got the opportunity to meet the Honorable Ms. Kiran Bedi, in person. Meeting Ms. Bedi has been my desire since long, as she has always inspired me by her heroism and achievements. Listening to her inspirational words was mesmerizing and it has motivated me a lot. After meeting her, I am more confident and determined to achieve my goal. My wish is to serve society with the same diligence as her. I feel very lucky that I had the opportunity to meet the inspiration of my life!

Aditri Singh, Student 7 Antares



Have fun learning French!

Bonjour! Let's continue learning French. In this edition, let us learn a few classroom mannerisms in French.

<i>I respect others.</i>	<i>Je respecte les autres.</i>	<i>(Ze respecte lays otre)</i>
<i>I am kind.</i>	<i>Je suis gentil.</i>	<i>(Ze sui zonti)</i>
<i>I am honest.</i>	<i>Je suis honnete.</i>	<i>(Ze sui onette)</i>
<i>I help others.</i>	<i>J'aide les autres.</i>	<i>(Zaid lays otre)</i>
<i>I am polite.</i>	<i>Je suis poli.</i>	<i>(Ze sui poli)</i>



Personality of the month

Dr. Kailasavadivoo Sivan, born on the 14th of April 1957, in Mela Sarakkalvilai, in Tamil Nadu, is an Indian space scientist and has served as the Director of the Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre in 2014 and the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre in 2015. He was then appointed the Chief of ISRO in January, 2018.

Dr. Sivan is the son of a farmer and studied in a Tamil medium school. He was exceptional in Mathematics and scored a record 100% in four subjects. He got a scholarship at the prestigious Madras Institute of Technology. Belonging to a poor farmer's family, they had to sell a large part of the land to get the remainder of the money. Sivan being the first graduate from his family, got his Bachelor's Degree in Engineering from MIT in 1980. He got a master's degree in Aerospace Engineering from the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and completed his Ph.D from IIT, Bombay in 2006. He is also a fellow of the Indian National Academy of Engineering and The Aeronautical Society of India.

He has been conferred upon with many awards including the Shri Hari Om Ashram Prerit, Dr. Vikram Sarabhai Research Award (1999), ISRO Merit Award (2007), Dr. Biren Roy Space Science Award (2011), the Doctor of Science (Honoris Causa) from Sathyabama University, Chennai (2014), Distinguished Alumnus Awards (2013 and 2018) and the Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award (2019). Dr. Sivan worked on the design and development of launch vehicles for ISRO in the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) Project which was later used in ISRO's launch vehicles like GSLV, GSLV-MK3 and RLV-TD. He has also been credited with evolving strategies for launching India's MARS mission through PSLV. Under his chairmanship, ISRO launched Chandrayaan 2, the second mission to the moon on July 22nd, 2019. He is definitely a source of inspiration to young scientists. In his words, "Science should not be looked for results but for experiments, and experiments will lead to results".

Aadi Harale and Neel Butala, Students 8 Sirius

Dr. Kailasavadivoo Sivan



Virtue Alone Ennobles

Belonging means acceptance as a part of a group, family, or a larger community. A sense of belonging is a human need, just like the need for food and shelter. It gives us the feeling of being loved and cared for. Our confidence receives a boost when we're respected for our views and beliefs. When we belong to a group we build connections with like-minded peers based on common interests and ideas. This further gives us a sense of security and comfort. It's important for everyone to feel wanted and cared for. So, here are a few recipes put together by Orbiens that can help make everyone feel like they belong.

For Friends -

Ingredients:

- 1 cup of fun
- ½ a cup of trust
- ½ a cup of loyalty
- 3 cups of team-work
- 1 tsp of leadership
- 1 cup of care

- a pinch of arguments
- a dash of craziness

Method:

Blend all the ingredients together and with a handful of ice, enjoy the juice on sunny days!

For Teachers - Ingredients:

- A fistful of smiles
- A good memory for names
- An eagerness to listen
- Eye contact

- A willingness to help, as well as let others help
- An appreciation of efforts
- A healthy dose of trust
- A healthy dose of honesty

Method:

A well-balanced mixture with all these ingredients will create an environment where teachers are approachable and the students feel valued!

For Parents: Ingredients

- A universe full of love!
- 10 cups of kindness
- 12 cups of courage
- A dash of strictness
- 4 cups of encouragement and support each
- 1 cup of care
- Uncountable cups of happiness
- 2 tsp of magic!

Method:

Whip everything together in a bowl and pour into a baking tin. Once baked, serve with a big dollop of love!



Teachers' Corner

Awakened Citizen Programme (30th-31st August):

A 2-day Value Education Workshop was organised at Global International School, as a part of the Ramakrishna Mission Initiative to enable the reinforcement of awakened future citizens by allowing them to discover a value system for themselves. One of the major problems confronting us today is that children seem to be growing up stressed and confused because they are not armed with the right tools to face real-life problems and make the right choices. To address this need, The Ramakrishna Mission, New Delhi, has developed a unique three-year, graded value education program. The key message of the program is that each individual has infinite strength, infinite potential, and infinite goodness. This power and strength can be felt every time we say "I CAN". The faith in this strength is the basis to awakening several human possibilities that are open to us. The programme was further divided into two sections - Universal Possibilities (6 possibilities open to all of us) and Unique Possibilities (based on our talents, interests, environment and self-effort). Awakening the unique possibilities makes us significant contributors in our chosen field. It was an insightful and interactive experience.

Aarohi Vohra, School Counsellor



ICT Workshop for CBSE Teachers (19th - 21st September):

Teachers from the ICT department attended the Microsoft Professional Development Training Programme, held at Sri Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir, Bhugaon. The workshop introduced us to the concepts of cloud computing apps developed by Microsoft such as Microsoft 365, OneNote, Sway, OneDrive, Flip Grid, Chatbot, Minecraft, LUIS and Artificial Intelligence. We are now members of the Microsoft Educator Community after taking several tests and have become Certified Microsoft Educators. The workshop was conducted by Ms. Niloufar Maraiakar in a very enthusiastic manner, which had all our doubts cleared by the end of the session. The implementation of these softwares in the school curriculum would be an advantage to our students to stay abreast with the technology that is ever evolving and developing. Also, it will broaden the scope for students by providing career opportunities in Data Science, regularly and in time.

Seema Bhandarkar, CT 7 Deneb



Workshop on Emerging Technologies for Effective Teaching and Learning (19th-21st September):

A 3-day CEP Course on Emerging Technologies for Effective Teaching and Learning was conducted at IIT Powai, by Next Education for lead educators from all over India. Our Vice Principal, Ms. Sharada Rao attended these enriching sessions which included a demo on emerging technologies for teaching, finding solutions to teaching learning challenges, massive open online courses, Learning Management Systems and an overview of learning analytics. The workshop ended with a panel discussion on 'How to inculcate 21st century skills through the curriculum'. The sessions and active interaction with educators from all over the country and very resourceful IITian professors made the participants aware of the needs of the changing education system and how technology can fulfil these needs.



Parents' Prerogative



Orbiloqui, Lower Primary (2019-20)

We thank the Orbis School for arranging such an event, where students got an opportunity to participate, build their courage and learn new things. We would also like to thank the teachers who have taken such efforts.

Pujasmini Behera, Parent of Idika bani Behera, Class 1 Sirius

It was really a great experience attending the programme. Kudos to all participants and staff who made it a success. Expecting many more activities which will enhance positive growth and learning.

Amitkumar Satish Katap, Parent of Ayush Katap, Class 1 Sirius

Based on your reading about the personality of the month try to answer these interesting questions:

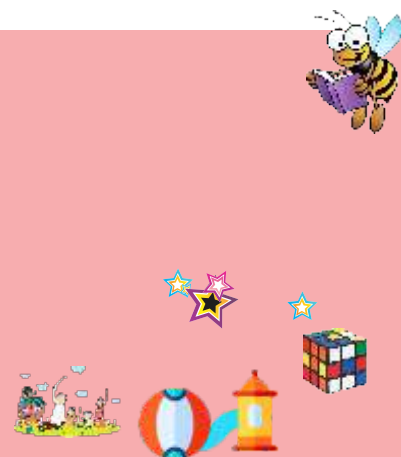
1. Which were the department and function that Dr. K Sivan worked on as he joined ISRO?
2. What were the awards conferred to Dr. K Sivan?
3. Why did Sivan's parents sell a part of their land?

I can do it!

From the Editorial Team:



A Gift
I'd said 'Goodbye' to yesterday,
Tomorrow's not home yet.
Today came and said to me,
"Enjoy me; I'm all you'll get."
Future? It's always out of reach.
Past? That you must have spent.
'Now' is a gift, it comes for free,
So, my dear it's called 'Present'.
You'll get, what is meant for you,
But you have to earn it today.
Believe you will, and do it now,
A great tomorrow is not too far away.
Ritu Narang, Co-Editor



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Thought for the month

"Your work is to discover your world and then with all your heart to give yourself to it."

- Buddha

