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From the Principal's Desk

'Schools home away from home'

Schools are not just mortar and brick structures, they are much more for those who study in it. Most of the waking hours of students are spent in their school, the child not only gets attached but also considers it as his second home. We have all witnessed children dragging their parents around the school on a parent teacher meeting day. They want to show their parents the zones where they together create and achieve, they want their parents to meet all their facilitators. While they take their parents around there is a lot of pride in their eyes. A child knows that his school is that one place where everyone is his own, he has complete trust in his teachers and develops a sense of belongingness. This is their learning space from where they take a peep into the outside world. School doesn't make anyone learn it only provides the right conditions for learning to happen. This learning surely becomes a celebration when students are happy, working together in groups, acquiring skills and pushing their limits to achieve their individual potential.

In this era of nuclear families, schools have become their joint family!

Gunjan Srivastava

Big News!

Another feather in our cap as Orbis School has been acknowledged and awarded for 'Best In quality education' by ET NOW. This award was given at 'Excellence in Education- Stars of the Industry Awards' that was held on 20th December 2019 at The Taj Mahal Hotel, New Delhi. May the school torch be always held high and soar greater heights! Many congratulations to the team!



The Orbis School wins laurels in Times Education Icons 2019

The Orbis School ranks second in the category of National Curriculum as per the Times School Survey 2019. It also bagged the second position in the category of School with Excellence in Extracurricular Activity. The Times School Survey conducts a research annually to arrive at the list of top schools in each zone in the city. The Orbis has always strived to maintain a blend of the new with traditional, to give the students the strength to test their wings and keep them grounded, to discover their talents and strengths as well as to develop the wisdom to except their weaknesses. We are proud of this feat!!

The Cubical School, Denmark

In a giant cubicle nearly four hundred students learn, cooperate and create. The school is one big open space. The children themselves gather into groups and create makeshift classrooms. The school's core principle is that it's not sufficient to provide children with knowledge – what really matters is how this knowledge can be put into practice. They have sections called 'drums' where students can sit and think. This school has a huge area called the gymnasium which is divided by sections called 'drums' where students can sit and think. With over 1,100 kids in the school, this kind of a design is created to encourage creative thinking



ORBIS CUP (18th - 19th December)

It is with great pride that we would like to inform our readers of our recently hosted Inter School Football Event 'The Orbis Cup', which took place with a lot of fervour and fanfare, on our home ground. It was indeed a hard-fought contest with 32 teams battling their way through the knock-out rounds. The skill and technique of the players was evident by the game plan of the various teams. It turned out that the girl's teams were no less than the boys, and certain teams even proved to be superior as compared. The spectators had a field day cheering their favourites. The Orbis U-17 boys' team lifted this year's trophy beating the Angels School, winners of U-14 boys were The Angels School. In the girl's category Bishops Kalyani Nagar girls were the titleholders and U-14 was won by Vibgyor High girls. The presentation party included our respected Directors, respective Heads of both the schools and the core team members



Flavours from our orchard



Living and Non-living things (9th - 13th December)

Everything in the world is living or nonliving. To explore the world around them and the differences between the two, students were made to closely observe examples from the environment. The characteristics of living and non living things were introduced through different activities like colouring and collage making. Students were engaged in comparing and contrasting various pictures which they sort into 2 groups.

Sneha Mandaliya, CT Sr. KG Apple



Plants (2nd - 6th December)

Life would not be possible without plants as they supply food, maintain the atmosphere and provide many products. Children were enlightened about the survival and growth of plants. Our pre primary classes did different activities to lay emphasis on the importance of plants in our life, like preparing nutritious sprout salad, sticking pictures of different parts of plants and placing the pictures of germination of seed into a plant step by step in the correct sequence.

Shraddha Lodha, CT Nursery Orange



Fruit Week (16th - 20th December)

It is rightly said "An apple a day keeps the doctor away". The importance of fruits in our daily diet cannot be overlooked. To encourage and motivate children to incorporate fruits in their daily diet "Fruit Salad" making activity was organised in the class. Children made their own salad with the help of their teacher. It was a yummy treat for them. They not only enjoyed it but also learnt about characteristics of different fruits. To further reinforce fruit stamping and fruit basket making activity was conducted in class.

Aafreen Khan, CT Jr. Kindergarten Orange





Christmas Celebration (20th December)

Christmas is the festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. Christmas brings cheer and love which is celebrated with the same fervour, spreading the message of love and joy among our children. A special assembly was conducted where the tiny tots danced to the exciting tunes followed by a Christmas skit. Carol singing was presented by our nursery and playgroup children. The day ended with take away activities like making and colouring of Christmas tree and stockings. The boundless joy of celebrating the festival was visible on the faces of the children.

Mona Anthony, CT Jr. KG Apple



 **I Know More, I Grow More**



Field Trip to Kelkar Museum (27th November)

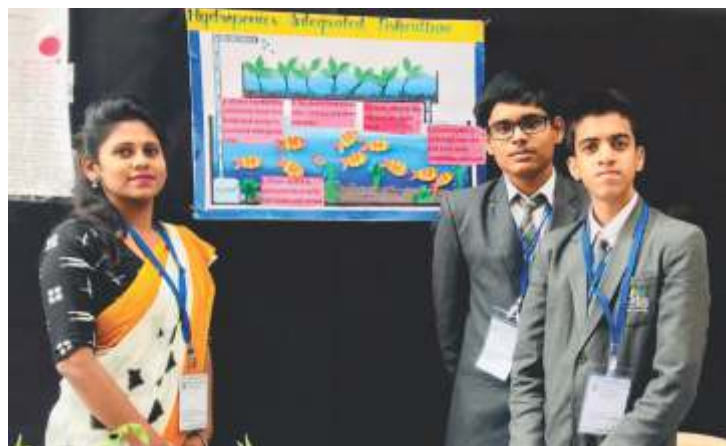
As part of our educational trip, Grade 9 had the privilege of visiting the Kelkar Museum. It was quite an interesting and a great learning experience. Kelkar Museum is the symbol of historical and cultural richness of our country, which showcases a wide range of artifacts related to industries, fashion, etc. Upon entering the building, we saw separate sections containing many idols of Hindu Gods. They seemed life-like and impressive. In the next section we saw many things belonging to various periods of history. Further ahead, we happened to see a big room full of ancient weapons and armour, like heavy swords, lances and shields. We also saw large guns, spears, statues, idols, manuscripts, etc. Then we entered the costume section where we saw Kashmiri shawls, Amritsari shawls, Peshawari embroidered turbans and rugs from different parts of the country. Coins and silver-plated jewellery were kept in showcases in another section. All in all, it was indeed an informative experience.

Saispurthi B, Student 9 Vega

National Cyber Olympiad-NCO, (28th November)

With the aim of testing the skills of students outside their regular school education, NCO was conducted by SOF at The Orbis School. This competition was for students of classes 2-8, this competition assesses students' abilities and helps to know how well they apply their knowledge to a set of trickier problems.

Dhyaana P, Student Class 4 Sirius.



Science Exhibition (1st and 2nd December)

Science is innovation; innovation is science. Two students of class 9 Vega Ayushman Parida and Manish Patil of Orbis 2 participated in the CBSE regional science exhibition. The exhibition was held in the Global International School, Pimpri, on 2nd and 3rd of December. Our topic for the project was Aquaponics "Growing plants in water". The judge for the exhibition was Dr. Saha, Senior Scientist, ICAR, Pune. We had a great scientific exposure and would like to continue the research work.



Puppet Show, (4th December)

Mr. Surendra and Miss Chaitali Bhandari under the banner 'Gammat Jammatt' performed a puppet show for us, the students of Class 4. They entertained us with various acts using puppets, including stick puppets, dancing and crying baby doll, cartoon puppets like Spiderman, Chota Bheem, Chutki, Doraemon, Bal Ganesh, Muppets, ventriloquist doll and hand puppets. The father daughter duo also entertained us with voice modulation acts, as they concluded and promoted the social message Swachh Bharat Abhiyan with puppet Eva. An hour well spent to imbibe educational qualities through entertainment.

Rhythm K and Laksh A, Students Class 4 Vega



Experiential Learning (10th and 18th December)

A wonderful hands on activity was held by Yardstick for classes 1 to 3 to reinforce the concepts learnt in environment science. For the students of grade one the activity was based on habits and habitats of different animals, for the students of grade two it was based on the properties of air and for grade three it was water cycle. The students had a fun filled learning time.

Samina Vasi, CT 2 Vega

Mathematics Quiz (12th December)

An inter house Mathematics quiz competition was held for the students of classes 1 to 3. The objective to host such a brainstorming quiz was to find out how well the concepts are understood and application of concepts in our day to day life. The quiz comprised of 4 rounds and children gave each other a tough competition.

Kiran Kumar, CT 3 Rigel



Model United Nations Conference - MUN, (14th- 15th December)

We the students of classes 8 and 9 were fortunate to be a part of the Model United Nations Conference (MUN) held at the Bishops School, Camp. United Nations, the highest dispute receiving body of the world always fascinated me. To participate in MUN was a memorable experience for me. It is a forum to understand how the UN works and how procedures are followed systematically. My friends and I were allocated different committees and countries of the United Nations. We were asked to research on the ongoing conflicts and disputes of these countries. As the delegates of the assigned countries we were allowed to put forth our mandate and draft resolutions with solutions. Raising placards to get a chance to speak, having GSL's, formal, informal sessions, point of order, point of motion, fierce debates, voting for particular amends and creating a draft resolution made us feel as if we were in the actual United Nations. We also had the opportunity to meet distinguished personalities who have worked closely with embassies and the UN. Truly an exhilarating experience for all of us.

Tanishq Kothari, Student 8 Vega



ISA Activity (16th December)

The students of class 7 to 10 explored the geographical locations and places of interest in the countries Australia, India, Thailand and South Africa as a part of the ISA activity. The students of class 7 prepared Scrap books based on the places of interest, monuments, geographical conditions and culture of the countries. The students of class 8 designed travel Brochures on tourism which included information, pictures, facts and figures about the countries allotted to them. Classes 9 and 10 made a graphical presentation on 'Cost of Travel' for 5 days from their native country to countries like Australia, Thailand and South Africa. They also participated in the Inter-house Quiz competition and the IBA Poster Making Competition on Wildlife Sanctuaries. The students of class 9 located places of interest on the outline maps of Australia, India, Thailand and South Africa. They actively participated and enjoyed this enriching series of activities to the fullest.



IMO (17th December)

The International Mathematical Olympiad for classes 1- 8 was undertaken successfully at Orbis 2, to foster an interest in Mathematical skills and enhance their logical thinking skills to provide exposure to students to make them ready to face any challenge in the future.

Devika Nair, CT 5 Deneb



Yardstick Activity (18th December)

Students of classes 4 to 6 performed hands on activities to learn and reinforce concepts of Science and thoroughly learnt about various topics with the help of the yardstick activity. The students enhanced their knowledge by learning about the different types of agents of seed dispersal and their importance to nature, simple machines and their uses in our daily lives. It was an enjoyable learning experience that enabled mastery of core concepts and skills for all kinds of minds.

Priya P, CT 4 Vega



Voice Modulation Workshop (18th December)

Voice Modulation is the skill which helps one to fill in emotion into the message one needs to convey. A workshop was conducted with regards that by the resource person Mr. Anub George, who himself is an actor and director of many plays. He shared his knowledge and expertise with the students of Class 7. It was a new learning experience for the students.

Raji Nithish, CT 6 Vega



Club of the month

Public Speaking

To inculcate fondness for English Language and enhance the rhetorical skills so that the students can present their ideas creatively and artistically with a sense of confidence, every Friday the students of public speaking club meet to become confident orators to display their intellectual and independent thinking skills. The club also aims to extensively promote communication skills of students and help in teamwork. The ability to Language learning is all about hearing, speaking, reading and writing. The art of debating emerges out of these four skills and is an integrated expression of all the four, speak and emote before an audience, thereby increasing the emotional quotient of the students. Debates foster the ability of careful and patient listening. The students debate on various social, environmental and political topics. The topics include issues that pertain to the students, their lives and issues relevant to them. Our club periods come to life with discussion, enactment, dialogue, poster making, quiz, debates, spin a yarn and more. Students also get to enhance their social skills in a relatively informal setting. They look forward to being a part of a gamut of activities based on topics chosen. This club has already become one of the favourite clubs amongst the students which is evident from their performance displayed during the co-curricular activity period.

Special Assemblies

Fitness (9th December)

"Fitness is a form of self respect." Keeping this in mind, the students of class 2 Antares presented a special assembly on the theme Fitness. The students displayed a mime showing the difference between healthy and unhealthy habits. A group of students also performed enthusiastically a song depicting various exercises and jumps. Further to reinforce this concept the students of class 2 assembled on the ground and worked out with a lot of zeal and stayed energised for the day.

Vrushti Kalyan, CT 2 Antares



Christmas Celebration (20th December)

Christmas is a festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. Soaking the spirit of Christmas, the students of classes 1 to 10 celebrated the festival in the school with great enthusiasm. The students enacted the nativity scene beautifully, spreading the message of love and joy. The students sang carols, competing in an inter house competition. They also put on their creative caps and made wreaths, Santa Claus face masks and Christmas trees in the scrapbook. The term ended with wishes from Santa Clause which made the year a memorable one.

Rajeshwari Shivakumar, CT 1 Vega

Fun Fair (20th December)

The school Enterprise Club organised a fun fair on the field which included many interesting activities. Around 500 students enjoyed and had a fun filled day. There were ten different games managed by the students of the club with the support of teachers. They gained hands on experience of planning and running a real business. The students developed the skills they need to succeed in life and in work, turning into leaders and entrepreneurs of tomorrow.

Anisha Sherwani, CO PP





Our Green Ways



Nature Club Teachers

Water, nature's elixir, is the top natural resource one needs for domestic consumption. One can possess a variety of materialistic riches, but without water, life might prove to be unbearable. Water shortages are sometimes inevitable, and so if one is not prepared for such a situation, one might find themselves between a rock and a hard place. The most efficient way to secure a reasonably reliable water supply is rainwater harvesting. Rainwater harvesting is the process of collecting rainwater from surfaces on which rain falls, filtering it and storing it for multiple uses. Rainwater harvesting helps restore water stock back to normal levels. The students of the nature club were engaged in discussions regarding the very concept of rainwater harvesting, the different methods of deploying this concept, use cases from the North Eastern states of the country, as well as how they can do their bit to contribute towards such an initiative. It was an extremely informative session and saw good participation by the students.

Parul Asthana, CT 10 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!

Archery Competition (6th-10th November)

We would like to highlight the achievements of Aditi Jadhav of Grade 7 Vega, in Archery, who has done us proud by being selected for the Nationals. She acquired the 3rd position in the ZP District Tournament and was selected for the State in the Pune team, in the Mini Sub-Junior Under 14 category.



Martial Arts Champion (17th November)

Siddhi Dhakate of class 2 Deneb bagged the gold medal in the 12th District Level Budo martial Arts Championship in the under 7 age group held at Balewadi, Pune. Bravo!



Ballet Competition (1st Dec)

Budding Ballerina Taarini Upadhyay from 4 Sirius participated in the GIBC Great Indian Ballet Competition held at Mumbai on 1st December and won the 3rd prize in solo performance and the 2nd prize in group performance. Immensely proud of this achievement and congratulations!



Karate Champion (7th and 8th December)

Diara Jagwani of class 2 Sirius bagged gold and silver medals in Kata and Kumite respectively, a 5th JKNSK India National Karate Do championship, 2019 held at Pune. Heartiest congratulations to the young achiever!



Inter House Results:

Event/Participating Classes	Maths Quiz (Class 1 -3)	Carol Singing Competition (Class 1-3)	ISA Activity: IBA-Poster Making
EXPLORERS	2	1	2
GUARDIANS	1	2	4
INNOVATORS	2	3	3
VANGUARDS	3	2	1



Carol Ann Laverne

Carol Ann Laverne Morris (born April 8, 1936) Miss Universe 1955 she attended Ottumwa High School where she graduated 4th in her class of 300. Morris was a champion swimmer and worked as a lifeguard, sang in the church choir, and played the violin. She attended Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, where she was a member of the Beta Kappa chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta and a decorated swim team member. After completing her reign as Miss Universe she began an acting career. One of the awards for winning the Miss Universe title was a one-year movie contract. Her first film was Crazy Love with co-star Jeff Chandler. She acted in many films and TV shows. Morris's last role was in Paradise Alley produced in 1962.



SOF INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH OLYMPIAD RESULT:

Class	Students Name	School Rank	Class	Students Name	School Rank
1	Bhargav Rane	1	4	Rhythm Kaul	1
1	Ishaan Gupta	2	4	Agasthya Ashar	2
1	Kavya Apsingkar	3	4	Katherine Sony	2
2	Manan Gupta	1	4	Mishka Sharma	3
2	Geet Vaja	2	4	Oishik Ghosh	3
2	Mohak Yenurkar	2	5	Saanvi Priya	1
2	Shaurya Pawar	3	5	Kimaya Kotla	1
2	Riya Patil	3	5	Pushkar Kolhe	2
3	Aaradhya Kulkarni	1	5	Yashvi Awasthi	2
3	Keerthana Binoy	1	5	Fhalak Morkhandikar	3
3	Rudresh Panchani	1	5	Pramiti Sonagaj	3
3	SUNISHKA BASAL	1	6	Vasudha Bhardwaj	1
3	Anyia Jain	2	6	Ishan Tirpude	2
3	Pratyush Mishra	2	6	Dhanush Prakash	3
3	Aneesh Gourishetty	2	7	Joshua George Koshy	1
3	Sahil Pradhan	3	7	Aditi Mudaliar	2
3	Samruddhi Surwade	3	7	Ritu Solabannavar	3
3	Vihaan Nazarkar	3	8	Rudransh Pandey	1
4	Jaivik Mota	1	8	Eshita Pal Choudury	2
4	Rashika Khangharoth	1	8	Anupama Sahu	3

The Autumn of Life

Between summer and winter lies Autumn,
A dull unexciting season,
Between childhood and adulthood lies adolescence,
A time to discover reasons.
You're told when you are small,
Leaves change colour and fall.
Then you learn about less sunlight and chlorophyll,
Ignorance fades and knowledge calls.
Gaining knowledge is like reaping a harvest,
more you seek, the more you know and grow.
Adolescents find out more about bad and good
They realise that life choices lead to experiences.
Some say autumn of life is old age,
Revealing colours, preparing for tougher times,
You can look at life in different ways,
Each one has something to say but I say,
Share this idea and pass it on,
Is adolescence the autumn of life?

Arsheya Dash, Student 6 Sirius



Impressions and Expressions

The Bee

I am a bee, and live in a tree
I make honey, which is precious as money.
On one day, I lost my way
So, I asked a mouse,
"where is my house?"
"Its across the bay," said the mouse,
Oh! yes, I remember my way to my house.

Sai Kaniha P.H, 5 Vega



Success

Success is the sweetest fruit,
Though it may not always be a smooth route
To obtain sweet taste of success,
We have to go all through the stress,
Which will change into bliss?
Follow the right track of your journey
Success will come to you and so the money.

Tanushree Parvati, Student 6 Vega



Explore

See the sky, it is so high,
See the ocean, it is so deep.
Let's explore the world,
And preserve it as gold.
Let's know facts and gather knowledge,
Seeking adventure with courage and passion.
Let's explore the world,
Explore! Explore! Explore!

Soumya Khot, Student Class 4 Sirius



Oxana Fedorova

Oxana Fedorova, is a Russian television presenter, singer, actress, fashion designer, model, and former beauty pageant titleholder. Fedorova worked as an inspector in Pskov for six months. While a university student in Saint Petersburg, she worked as an investigator for the Pulkovo Transport Police. She was named the most beautiful Miss Universe of all time by the pageantry website Global Beauties in 2011, and in a poll conducted by the All-Russian Center for the Study of Public Opinion in 2012, respondents named Fedorova the most beautiful woman in Russia



A World of My Dreams

I dream a world where man
No other will scorn
Where love will bless the earth
And peace its path adorn
I dream of a world where all
Will know sweet freedom's way,
Where greed no longer saps the soul
Nor avarice blights our day
A world I dream where black or white
Whatever race you be,
Will share the bounties of the earth,
And every man is free
Where wretchedness will hand its head,
And joy, like a pearl,
Attend the needs of all mankind
Of such I dream our world.

Mannya Ashar, Student 8 Vega



Little Things

Little drops of water,
Little drains and sand
Make the mighty ocean
And the beauteous land
And the little moments
Humble though they be,
Make the mighty ages
Of eternity
So, our little errors
Lead the soul away,
From the parts of virtue
Into sin of stay
Little deeds of kindness
Little words of love,
Make our earth an Eden
Like the heaven above.

Deepika M., Student 8 Vega



To my other....

Days after days I've
prayed to you,
Is there anything I've
failed to do?
Alone in the dark room
the mother cried,
And thought that God
wasn't satisfied
Peeping through the
door her son overheard
Listening to every single spoken word,
All that he wore was not so well
But he was good in mind people would tell
Why don't you listen to us, God?
Mother tries to make you happy in all her odds
Please don't sadden her for such
For I always try to gladden her much.
Then to his mother he assured her,
As he promised to try to adhere
"Don't cry my mother, for I am here,
To wipe your tears of grief with care
Just watch me turn the saddest moments
Into tears of happiness without any ends.

Eshita Pal Chaudhari, Student 8 Vega



Have fun learning French! Bonjour Tous et toutes ,

Comme cette année vient de terminer, la nouvelle année viendra avec les nouveaux espoirs. Alors, Allez, apprenez, amusez et souvenez-vous toujours:-

- "La vie est faite de petits bonheurs." - Life is full of little pleasures.
- "Il y a des fleurs partout pour qui veut bien les voir" - There are flowers everywhere for [one] who really wants to see them.
- "Je ne perds jamais soit je gagne soit j'apprend." - I never lose either I win, or I learn.
- "Fais toujours de ton mieux même si personne ne regarde" - always do your best even if no one's looking.

Bonne nouvelle année.



Personality of the month

Zozibini Tunzi was born on 18th September 1993 in Tsolo, Eastern Cape, South Africa to parents Philiswa Nadapu and Lungisa Tunzi. She moved to Cape Town to attend Cape Peninsula University of Technology where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Public Relations and Image Management in 2018. In 2017, Tunzi was working as a model and living in east London, Eastern Cape. Tunzi has worked as a graduate intern in the public relations department of Ogilvy Cape Town. She is the third woman from South Africa to win the title and the first black woman since Leila Lopes was crowned Miss Universe 2011. She was crowned Miss Universe 2019 and had previously been crowned Miss South Africa 2019. During the final round, the top three were each asked the same question: "What is the most important thing we should teach young girls today?" To which Tunzi replied: "I think the most important thing we should be teaching young girls today is leadership. It's something that has been lacking in young girls and women for a very long time, not because we don't want to but because of what society has labelled women to be. I think we are the most powerful beings in the world and that we should be given every opportunity and that is what we should be teaching these young girls, to take up space, nothing is as important as taking up space in society and cementing yourself, thank you."

In the world of stereotypes, crowning Zozibini Tunzi as Miss Universe has broken stigma.

Zozibini Tunzi



Virtue Alone Ennobles Compassion and Caring

Compassion and caring are attributes that are the need of the hour. Without them, humanity cannot survive. These are traits on the basis of which exists morality. Being compassionate and caring are closely related to empathy. Compassion includes the desire to take action that will alleviate another person's distress. They are acts which display kindness. To be compassionate and caring is to not only tell someone that you care, but also demonstrate it by your deeds. If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other. So, it is time now, that we care for others and show them compassion.

Paramita Chakraborty, Academic Counsellor

Teachers' Corner



British Council International School Award (ISA) Midyear review- Pune (10th December)

The workshop was organised at the British Council Library, Pune. It was attended by Principals and ISA Coordinators of various schools of Pune. The resource person, Otillia D'Souza, the British Council School Ambassador, touched on the various aspects of Dossier compilation and assisted in clarifying doubts. It was a beneficial and an interactive session where everyone shared their challenges and concerns.

Reema Khurana, COL

Fun Fair (20th December)

The school Enterprise Club organised a fun fair on the field which included many interesting activities. Around 500 students enjoyed and had a fun filled day. There were 10 different games managed by the students of the club with the support of teachers. They gained hands on experience of planning and running a real business. The students developed the skills they need to succeed in life and in work, turning into leaders and entrepreneurs of tomorrow.

Anisha Sherwani, CO PP



Janelle Commissiong

Janelle Commissiong crowned Miss Universe 1977 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic and in the process became the first black woman to win the prestigious pageant crown she studied fashion at the Fashion Institute of Technology, in Newyork City but returned to Port of Spain in 1976. The following year, Commissiong was selected to represent the Island at the 1977 Miss Universe competition in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

She was elected Miss Photogenic four days before the final, becoming the first black woman to win these awards in Miss Universe history. During her reign, she was an advocate for black rights and world peace. Commissiong was awarded the Trinity Cross, the country's highest award, in 1977. Three postage stamps were also issued in her honour.



Staff Club Party (21st December)

Before everyone could part for the winter vacation, the traditional year end party was held in the school for the staff. This year the party was based on the theme of festivals of India. The party began with talented teachers singing Christmas carols melodiously followed by a ramp walk by teachers dressed up in traditional attire of different Indian festivals. The teachers also put up a humorous mime and danced to foot tapping songs. Games were also organised for the staff which they enjoyed to the core. The party concluded with scrumptious lunch and wishing everyone one A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Keerti Pawar, CT 3 Deneb



Workshop on Accreditation Standard for Quality School Governance, (28th-29th Dec)

A two-day workshop on Accreditation Standard for Quality School Governance in association with Quality Control of India (QCI) and National Accreditation Board of Education & Training (NABET) was organised. The sessions were attended by Management, Core, Administration teams of Orbis Schools and heads of various schools of Pune. The resource person Dr Sandesh Kadam gave an insight into the benefits of accreditation, helped to understand the requirements for quality governance, apprised the audience to utilise resources efficiently and how to benchmark practices to achieve organisational excellence. The sessions were very interactive and useful.

Anju Jaswal, CO UP

Parents' Prerogative



E- PTA Meeting (30th November)

An E- PTA meeting was held in the Orbis School Mundhwa among the concerned members. The Meeting commenced with the appreciation of the annual cultural event Orbitheatrum and other activities held for the upliftment of the students. The Scholastic and co scholastic activities of the school were discussed and parents were appreciated for their participation in various events of the school. The meeting concluded by informing the parents about the upcoming school events for the next term.

Richa Acharya, CT 2 Rigel



PTM (7th December)

A parent teacher meeting was held for class 3. The meeting was aimed at discussing the scholastic and co scholastic achievements of the child. This one to one meeting helped the facilitators and the parents to come up with solution-oriented suggestions for the child's area of improvement in academics.

Keerti Pawar, CT 3 Rigel



Transport Committee Meeting (7th Dec)

The Transport Committee Meeting was held at the Orbis. The Headmistress, Mrs Gunjan Srivastava presided over the meeting. The secretary Mr Salim Qureshi welcomed the members and read out the agenda for the day. The house discussed the agenda and approved policies with respect to school transport. The meeting ended on a positive note.

Anju Jaswal, CO UP



Parent Teacher Meet, PP (14th December)

The event witnessed around 85% attendance thus displaying enthusiastic interest among parents for the smooth working and progress of the school. The main objective of the meeting was to create a common platform, where teachers and parents could come together to discuss student's performance and devise ways to enrich their learning experience. Parents were encouraged to appreciate student's participation in all academic activities. This would help in creating the necessary consciousness among parents to stimulate their interest in the students and the school. They gave their view points and suggestions to teachers regarding the school and its development.

Anisha Sherwani, CO PP

School Management Committee Meeting (21st Dec)

The School Management Committee meeting was held at the Orbis. The Chairman Mr Haseeb Faquih presided over the meeting. The agenda for the day was discussed. The Headmistress, Mrs Gunjan Srivastava apprised the house about policies, ethos, curricular, co-curricular activities and achievements of the school. The members were very satisfied and appreciated the efforts put in by the school. They also applauded the school for carving a niche for themselves.

Sanyogita P, ICT



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

- 1) Why is the quality of leadership very important to Zozibini Tunzi?
- 2) Where did Zozibini graduate from?
- 3) Who are the parents of Tunzi?



From the Editorial Team:

The Child within Us

Keeping the child within us alive, brings about a level of satisfaction that is beyond comprehension. In this day and age that is filled with high levels of stress and depression, allowing the child within us to resurface could do wonders to one's well being. It is important to keep the spark in us alive. It could seem stupid to others, but we shouldn't be mindful of what people think or say. It could be dancing in the rain or indulging in activities which we as children participated in, and which brought untold happiness to us. It could work as medicine and liven our spirits. So, keeping the child within you alive, is something to give serious thought about.

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Thought for the month

Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering 'it will be happier" - **Alfred Lord Tennyson**

