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From the Principal's Desk

Kindness is Contagious

In our fast-paced world of academic excellence and achievement, I've been reflecting on something equally vital to our school community: kindness. Just as knowledge spreads through teaching, kindness spreads through action. When one student helps another with a difficult concept, when a teacher stays late to support a struggling learner, or when parents volunteer their time, these ripples of compassion transform our environment.

I've witnessed countless moments where a single act of kindness sparked a chain reaction throughout our hallways. The student invited a newcomer to join their lunch table, and the class organised a surprise celebration for their custodian. The faculty members covered classes for a colleague during a family emergency. The list could go on of small incidents that left a lasting impact on the hearts and minds of people.

As we navigate this school year together, I challenge each of you to become carriers of this positive contagion. Look for opportunities to extend empathy, practice inclusion, and nurture both your own and others' emotional well-being. Remember that academic success means little without the ability to use it wisely and compassionately.

Your actions, however small they may seem, have an immeasurable impact. Let's build a culture where kindness is our most defining characteristic.

Farida Harianawala, Principal Orbis 1

Big News!

The Enterprise Club of the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, has been organising various events throughout the year, and the earnings were contributed to social causes. Their efforts have been recognised in a big way, and they have been awarded the Gold Level Certificate for Enterprise Challenge under the Teach A Man To Fish programme. This achievement is a testament to the efforts of the students as well as the collective guidance of the teachers involved.

The students of the Enterprise club were awarded certificates acknowledging and appreciating their efforts, thereby motivating them to continue striving for excellence. This is the highest award and an impetus to work harder with firmer steps, forward.



Flavours from our Orchard

Well-Being – Personal Hygiene (10th June - 13th June)

In the second week of June, the pre-primary students learned about personal hygiene through fun games and activities. The tiny tots of the Nursery learned the difference between clean and dirty by touching and feeling dry and wet objects through a sensory activity. Jr. Kindergarten students learnt how soap helps to get rid of germs through the Pepper and Soap experiment, which helped them understand the importance of washing hands. The Sr. Kindergarten students enjoyed watching a story and discussing how to keep their surroundings clean, avoid littering, and use dustbins. These activities helped the children understand the importance of staying clean and taking care of the environment.

Prabhavathi Rajkumar, CT Jr Kindergarten Orange



My family and extended Family (23rd June to 27th June)

The pre-primary students were introduced to the topic of Family and extended family. They drew their family trees and recited the Finger Family Rhymes. This activity enabled them to think about their family members, comprehend relationships in the family setup, and creatively articulate their ideas. It also helped them identify and label every family member, learn about their roles and functions within the family, and understand their relationships with one another.

Anika Jain, CT Sr. Kindergarten Orange



Seasons – Monsoon and Autumn (30th June - 4th July)

Learning about the seasons fosters curiosity, a love of Mother Nature, and an awareness of one's environment. The little Orbians of Nursery created beautiful raindrops for the Monsoon season, and a tree dabbed with cotton buds for Autumn. Junior Kindergarten students enjoyed painting the Fall tree using the thumbprint method. Senior Kindergarten had a fingerprinting activity. This helped the students connect it to the rainy season and differentiate between the seasons.

Anika Jain, CT Sr. Kindergarten Orange

Plantation Time (3rd July)

Planting trees is very important, as it reminds us of our responsibility towards the Earth. Trees make our environment fresh and provide us with clean air. Plantation Day was celebrated to create awareness among young minds about the most valuable resource. To help children understand the importance of trees, the pre-primary students were encouraged to sow seeds and care for them. Watching the plants grow was fun for everyone. Through this activity, they learned how nature works and were taught to take care of the environment.

Arpita Dubey, CT Nursery Apple



Movie Week Begins (7th July onwards)

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy and Jill a dull girl. Movie week was celebrated with great joy, where our little Orbians let their hair down and enjoyed a fun and happy movie while learning with their friends. The movies were age-appropriate and carefully selected by the teachers. It was an exciting experience where the children and the teachers had an enjoyable time.

Arpita Dubey, CT Nursery Apple





Community Helpers (8th July- 12th July)

The week was dedicated to learning and understanding about special people in our community who help us every day, and keep the community safe and healthy. Also, how they make our lives easier, cleaner, and safer. The students were taught about the duties and responsibilities shouldered by community helpers. The pre-primary students displayed their speaking skills through a show-and-tell activity, with great confidence and zeal, expressing their views about the theme of the week.

Namrata Goyal, Assistant Teacher



Sense organs (14th July- 18th July)

Our senses allow us to observe and understand the world around us. The senses of hearing, touch, sight, taste, and smell are the primary means by which we gain new knowledge. The little Orbians experienced the joy of using their senses in a fun way by visiting the sensory station and participated enthusiastically in this fun-filled activity. They also discovered that for one object, multiple sense organs can be used. They enjoyed the activities and were also able to relate to them easily.

Namaratha Goyal, Assistant Teacher



Primary colours (21st July - 25th July)

In the third week of July, the pre-primary students were introduced to the fun world of primary colours. The aim was to help students identify and differentiate primary colours through various activities. Nursery students made colourful butterflies using the blob printing method. The junior kindergarteners traced their names using primary colours. Senior Kindergarteners enjoyed block printing using primary colours.

Uttara Harshe, Assistant Teacher



Secondary Colours (28th July - 1st August)

The children explored and discovered the magic of making colours by mixing primary colours to make secondary colours. The Nursery students enjoyed the colour mixing activity, creating new colours. The Junior Kindergarten children, blot painted, using primary colours, and the Senior Kindergarten children made beautiful butterflies through flash painting. These activities helped foster colour creativity in the little ones, making it a lively week.

Uttara Harshe, Assistant Teacher



Global Tiger Day (29th July)

Global Tiger Day is celebrated every year on July 29th to regard and admire the magnificence of this animal. The celebration continued as our little Orbians participated in various activities, including mask-making, bookmark-making, and watching a movie about Tigers.

A special assembly celebrating the day was conducted by the Sr. Kindergarten students.

Swati Shrivastava, CT Jr. Kindergarten Apple

Yardstick Activities

At the Orbis School, we believe in celebrating learning. To cater to the learning needs of different types of learners, we have incorporated the Yardstick activities. Yardstick offers an outstanding, highly interactive, hands-on curriculum that enables mastery of core concepts and skills for all kinds of minds. The curriculum focuses on unleashing creativity, real-life application, and understanding rather than memorising concepts. It was an enriching and joyful experience for every child studying in Classes 1 and 2 to have a hands-on experience of activities such as the Abacus, three meals of the day, geometric puzzles, and Land and Water on Earth. The children enjoyed the activities.

Sheetal Deorukhkar, CT 2 Vega



 **I Know More, I Grow More**



School Reopens after Summer Break (5th June)

New faces, new books, new classrooms, but the same curiosity to learn!

The students of the Orbis School resumed school following a delightful summer break on June 5th. We're extremely proud of our students, who performed exceptionally well in the CBSE board examinations for Classes 10 and 12, securing outstanding results yet again. We offer our congratulations and best wishes to every student, wishing them a bright future. The students are rejuvenated and all geared up for another exciting year ahead with the same motivation and rigour. It's a delight to meet friends again and make some new ones. To help newcomers catch up with the syllabus, teachers have established extra support classes.

Samanvitha V, Student 11 Deneb

New Parent Orientation (6th June)

The Orbis School invited the new parents of Class 11 for an orientation programme. The orientation acted as a link between the senior secondary education's more concentrated career-focused phase and the foundational years. To promote holistic development, the academic program was supplemented with leadership and extracurricular activities, career counselling, and mentoring. The school was extremely proud of its students' outstanding results on the most recent board exams. With many students scoring above 80 per cent, including multiple perfect scores in several subjects, the Class 10 cohort achieved a 100 per cent pass rate. The Class 12 results, which showed academic distinction across all streams and included an impressive 98.6 per cent for the school topper, were commendable. The school remained dedicated to encouraging academic excellence and developing responsible, self-assured individuals as students entered this transformative phase.



Time Management and Study Skills: Workshop (6th June)

An engaging session on time management and study skills was conducted for Class 10. The workshop was filled with practical, science-backed strategies. Through activities and motivational discussions, we learned how to manage time efficiently, avoid distractions, be consistent, and enhance study habits. We were provided with useful advice on note-taking, time management, and memory retention strategies. We learned about the Pomodoro Technique (25–5–25) and the Eisenhower Matrix, which helped us classify tasks based on urgency and importance. The counsellor emphasised a consistent routine and S.M.A.R.T. goals for academics and personal growth, which will improve productivity. Through activities, we were able to compare our actual time utilisation with how we ought to be using it. It was truly an enriching experience that gave a boost to our confidence.

Tithi Jain, Student 10 Vega



Mindfulness: Workshop (10th June)

Classes 11 and 12 attended a mindfulness workshop organised and led by Ms. Rossitta Viegas, our school counsellor. As the students walked through the hall, soothing ambient music filled the room. The students engaged in an emotional conversation about the challenges they faced. Thereafter, Ms. Viegas introduced mindfulness techniques during the session, including the STOP (Stop, Take a breath, Observe, and Proceed) method, box breathing meditation, and the 54321 grounding exercise. Ms. Viegas shared simple strategies for managing stress in daily life. She reminded students of the value of balance and meditation for a happy and calm body.

Avni L, Student 11 Deneb

Periodic Test 1 (12th June)

The first periodic test for Classes 10 and 12, for the academic year 2025-2026, commenced on June 12. This marks the beginning of formal assessments, in school, for the two Board classes. The purpose of the examination is not only to monitor the learning but also to provide feedback to students, parents and teachers. It helps all involved to understand the areas that need more focus and practice.

Anushka Kumar, Student 10 Sirius



Annual Medical Check-up for New Joiners (12th June)

As the school reopened on 5th June, the new joiners underwent a medical checkup in school by a team of professionals from Manipal Hospital, Kharadi. Students were asked to bring their diaries to record the wellness report. To begin with, the team entered the students' data on their computers, measuring their height and weight. Following this, the students proceeded to their dental and eye exams. The students were asked about their health problems, allergies, and their medications. Our school's dedication to the health of its students is demonstrated by this yearly physical health checkup and the well-being of students. Additionally, it guarantees that each student gets. Appropriate healthcare in the school setting.

Avani Sunil, Student 11 Deneb

Cyber Security: Workshop (13th June)

Students of Class 7 attended an informative workshop on cybersecurity. The workshop helped students understand how to stay safe online and respond to suspicious posts or messages. The presenter reiterated the consequences of digital footprints and how they can be misused if one is not careful. The session highlighted the impact of a single post and the importance of thinking before sharing personal content. There was a discussion on what is an appropriate post and how some content can unintentionally hurt others. The workshop also explained how fake news spreads and why one should not blindly share information. The students were encouraged to speak up if they saw harmful behaviour online and to ask an adult when unsure. In the end, students asked questions and cleared their doubts, creating greater awareness about online safety.

Deepdarsh Kadam, Student 7 Sirius

Orbiloqui Begins (16th June)

Round 1 of the highly anticipated Orbiloqui 2025-26 officially began on June 16, and for many students it marks their first significant step. The event focuses on extempore and debate for Classes 11 and 12, respectively. The students were given topics, along with some time to prepare and express their thoughts in their respective classes under the supervision of their English teachers. The best-performing students were then selected for round 2. Some students spoke confidently, while others were battling nerves to express their ideas. Nevertheless, each student is motivated and encouraged to take the stage with confidence. For many students, it's not just about getting selected, but about realising their potential.

Kajal Taraate, Student 11 Deneb



Tsunami Facts

1. Tsunami is a Japanese word that means 'Harbour Wave'
2. Tsunamis are caused due to underwater earthquakes, volcanic eruptions or landslides.
3. It is made up of a series of waves, known as a wave train.
4. Approximately 80% of tsunamis happen inside the Pacific Ocean's 'Ring of Fire'.
5. Hawaii is a high-risk area for tsunamis. People who live in Hawaii usually get 1 every year



International Yoga Day (19th June)

Observed every year on June 21st, International Yoga Day celebrates the ancient Indian discipline of yoga—a holistic practice that nurtures physical vitality, mental clarity, and emotional balance. This year, schools across India embraced the occasion with enthusiasm. At the Orbis School, students participated wholeheartedly, performing asanas under the able guidance of our parent yoga gurus, Ms. Anju Atal and Ms. Wani, and engaging in wellness activities that included mindfulness exercises. Yoga is more than just movement—it is a path to inner harmony and lifelong well-being.

Yoga is the perfect tune between body, mind, and spirit.

Swara Kanade, Student 7 Rigel



Class 11 News Hour (25th June)

An enriching and educational activity was conducted by the students of Class 11, Humanities. 'Class 11 News Hour' was planned to understand the rights, responsibilities and techniques of reporting. Students worked in pairs, covering topics such as Security, Internal and External Affairs, Education News, Local News, and many more.

Lipika Sanka, Student 11 Sirius



Workshop - Label Padhega India (26 June)

Colourful packages and discounted prices tempt us to buy packaged Food items without understanding the contents inside. Label Padhega India is the brainchild of Revant Himatsingka, The Food Pharmer. It is a movement to educate all Indians about the content in packaged food. Through this campaign, the Food Pharmer encourages every Indian consumer to read the labels before buying packaged food. This campaign aims to promote a healthy diet. "Join the food fight, Choose Right." Based on this philosophy, a workshop was conducted for the middle school students to educate them on the harmful effects of processed food.

Tapasya Rao, Student 4 Antares

Preparations for The Entrepreneurship Conclave- Fuel to Fly 3.0 (27th June)

The Lexicon International School (Wagholi) organised an Entrepreneurship Conclave, giving students a unique opportunity to learn about aspects of entrepreneurship and develop designs for products that are accessible, sustainable, and safe for the future. The students of the Orbis School were thrilled to be part of the competition and participated enthusiastically in the event. Out-of-the-box and environmentally friendly ideas were encouraged, enhancing inclusivity for individuals with special needs.

Pragna Adimulam, Student 11 Deneb



OrbiChess - Season 3 (28th June)

The OrbiChess - Season 3, organised at the Orbis School, saw Chess masters from more than 14 schools across Pune. The Chief Guest, Mr. Rajesh Oza, a National 'A' Champion: Blind Chess graced the occasion. Mr. Pawan T. was one of the arbiters looking into the smooth functioning of the tournament. Players played under different categories, namely Under 10, 12, 14 and 17. It was a festive day for the Orbis School and a big success.

Deetya Mistry, Student 6 Rigel



Election of Office Bearers (4th July)

After an exciting week of campaigning, speeches, and a great showcase of strengths by the worthy candidates who contested for the positions of School Captain and School Vice Captain, it was time for the final results. The voting procedures for the election of office bearers commenced on July 4, when all students from Classes 6 to 12 and the academic staff cast their votes. After an intense and highly anticipated wait, it was finally time to announce the winners' names. Kaarunya Anklekar (School Captain) and Pinki Pal (School Vice Captain) won with the highest number of votes and were declared Office Bearers for the academic year 2025-2026. Excitement filled the air as students and teachers celebrated together, and the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, eagerly anticipates a vibrant new academic year with our new office bearers in charge. Congratulations, and may the school continue to achieve greater heights under their leadership.

Vidhi Karande, Student 12 Vega



Library Management Internship at The Orbis School (7th July)

An internship in Library Management at the Orbis School provides students with practical experience. A 10-day Library Management Internship Program was successfully conducted, providing students with hands-on experience in modern library practices. The use of automation tools such as Edunext ERP, library classification (DDC and CC) and access to digital resources like NDLI were among the program's main topics. The interns participated actively in daily tasks, learning about barcode scanning and classification shelving and organised book fairs. They also created a digital library. By the end of the internship programme, the interns had gained some of the skills necessary to run school and community libraries.

Rashmi Bhujbal, Librarian

Movie Week (7th July)

The Orbis School organised a thrilling Movie Week, a special event that brought the magic of cinema to our campus. We watched films that were both entertaining and enriching. The movies screened during the week were carefully selected according to diverse tastes and interests. This not only provided a break from academic routines but also sparked meaningful conversations and reflections. It was not just about entertainment; it was also an educational experience. Many of the films screened were related to real-life issues, historical events, or moral dilemmas, with valuable lessons and perspectives that complemented their academic learning. Watching films is a great source of inspiration, sparking creativity and imagination combined with fun, learning, and camaraderie, making it memorable.

Arushi Upper, Student 10 Vega

Drop Everything And Read Hour (14th July)

Reading enhances language skills and is a good exercise for the mind, which helps children develop creative imagination. Drop Everything and Read, also known as DEAR Hour, was celebrated at the Orbis School. Students were encouraged to read, and during the DEAR hour, the entire school engaged in a quiet, self-reading activity. The experience was mindful and calming.

Swati Shrivastava, CT Jr. Kindergarten Apple



Dear Hour (15th July)

Drop Everything And Read is a song that the Orbis loves. Teachers and students all set aside their regular tasks to read at a predetermined time. Not just textbooks, but anything more intriguing can be our choice as it provides a respite from our regular coursework, where students enjoy Dear Hour, and we can take pleasure in reading stories that we typically don't have time for because of our studies. Everyone is absorbed in their books, and the classroom becomes quiet and serene. It helps us read more effectively and introduces us to books and subjects we never would have considered. Dear Hour serves as a reminder that reading is more than just a habit; it's a fun way to learn and explore new subjects and passions.

Sreejita Majumdar, Student 11 Sirius

Personal Hygiene: Workshop (18th July)

Cleanliness is next to Godliness. Keeping this proverb in mind, a workshop was conducted for the students of Classes 1 and 2 by their teachers, Sheetal Deorukhkar and Uttama Purohit. The session highlighted the importance of keeping oneself healthy and clean. Emphasis was laid on the importance of washing hands regularly, eating healthy food, drinking plenty of water, and regular exercise, which keeps the mind and body fresh and active. The children enjoyed the workshop and were left with valuable lessons about everyday life.

Swati Poddar, CT 1 Deneb

Solo Dance Competition (22nd July, 25th July)

The Solo Dance Competition for Classes 1 to 5 wasn't just about dance — it was about confidence, expression, and the courage to take the stage alone. From classical to fiery folk performances, each dancer brought something unique to the floor. The audience was treated to a stunning display of talent, rhythm, and creativity. Every move told a story and every beat echoed with passion! It was an amalgamation of powerful expressions and flawless choreography. An enthusiastic audience cheered and clapped at their every step. The participants impressed the eminent judges with their dedication and originality. It was a true celebration of individuality and art in motion. Every performer walked away a winner, not just for their performance but for their spirit and stage presence as well. Congratulations to all participants for making the competition unforgettable!

Nalini Saklani, CT 4 Antares



Investiture Ceremony (28th July)

Another momentous occasion conducted by the Orbis School was the Investiture Ceremony for the academic year 2025-26. The school was officially placed in the trusted hands of the new leaders. There is no doubt in their capabilities and their ability to exceed the limit, set by their seniors. The outgoing council made a formal vesting of power in the new council, allowing them to exercise power in the noble exit of their own.

As the names of the new council members were announced, eyes sparkled with determination as the school dignitaries and their parents draped the sashes and pinned their badges. Their hands raised in oath as they promised to lead our school with honesty and uphold the values of the Orbis School. Our very distinguished Trustee of the Orbis Schools, Mr Shahrukh Faquih, took the stand with an inspiring speech that challenged the new council to go beyond their very best. And with the end of the ceremony, the roles of our new leaders had only just begun. In the wise words of Tom Peters, "True leaders don't create

followers, they create more leaders". Along these lines, we look forward to a year filled with growth, inspiration, and relevant leadership.

Pragna Adimulam, Student 11 Deneb

Impressions and Expressions



The Winds That Bring Joy

The monsoon winds of July are like a sudden transition in our lives from the hot summer. The tears of those dull, dark clouds bring joy into our lives. It is true happiness when the cool wind blows through our hair, the aroma of fried snacks comes from the kitchen, the pitter-patter of raindrops makes music on the roof, and a rainbow smiles from the other side. These winds, these rains, are truly fascinating; they save lives but sometimes destroy too. They are reckless at times, yet caring mostly, and I like to call them the 'winds of joy'.

Swara Kanade, Student 7 Rigel

Model United Nations (20th July)

As the delegate of the People's Republic of China, I strived for a more humanitarian approach based on infrastructure rather than bombing or sending military troops. I wasn't too keen on forming any alliances or groups with people due to China's controversial approach to things, but later agreed to form alliances with Russia, the UAE, and the USA, but only on the condition that I would be the author of a resolution. The resolution we drafted together was to prioritise infrastructure, youth employment opportunities, and to advocate for sexual violence towards women due to terrorist groups like Boko Haram and Al-Qaeda. I also questioned every country, mainly South African ones, since they seek to lecture and linger about armed militias and literacy rates in the Sahel, completely ignoring the state of their own countries. Mostly, I joined MUN to get a brief idea of real-world debating since I believe that would help me in my career, which I want to pursue as a criminal defence attorney. The others from our school, like the delegates of the UAE, Russia, and the UAE Jyotsna from Class 10, were commended on their debating skills. Jhasmitha and Gayatri were given the Special Recognition award, third place, in their respective committees, and I was awarded the High Commandment, second place.

Daya V, Student 10 Sirius

The Foreigner

The foreigner, he, comes,
Glistening fair under the sun.
His eyes are narrow,
His gait is lean.
I wonder where he is from?
Wonder how he has been?
There is a sense of familiarity
One, I cannot fathom,
As if he were my very own.

An integral part of my home.
With a start!
I realise,
How mistaken I had been
This was no foreigner!
But one of my kin.
I wonder,
How aching it must be,
To be mistaken as a foreigner,
In your own country.

Our brothers from the eastern-north
They are always left forgotten.
Why do we do this? Why?
I wonder again,
How angry they must be,
To be mistaken for a foreigner
In their own country.
Annika Saha, Student 12 Vega



Club of the month



Storytelling Club

On the first day of the Story Telling Club, when I looked around the class, I saw curious and eager faces. Our teachers introduced the aims and objectives of the Club and what was expected of us. Our first activity, 'What if Holi was played with flower petals?' stirred our creative and imaginative juices. The members of the Club shared their stories, which filled the day with a lot of fun and humour.

Prishka Jain, Student 4 Deneb

Art and Craft Club

Art and Craft activities are a means of exploration through creativity. They are a form of expression and enhance mindfulness. The Art and Craft Club's creative journey for Classes 1 and 2 culminated in a grand display of all the work done by the students. Beautifully created Butterfly dabs, blooming and colourful petals, made the event celebratory. The little ones proudly exhibited their work and felt encouraged by all the applause they received.

Alina Salim, CT 1 Rigel



Special Assemblies

Campaigning For The School Council Begins (26th June)

The air was filled with refuelled energy as the students of Classes 11 and 12 started their campaigning for the posts of School Captain and School Vice-Captain. At the Special Assembly conducted by the students of 9 Vega, the senior-most students showcased their abilities and their vision for the school and their peers. A leader thinks about the people first and looks to the future, and that is exactly what each aspiring candidate spoke about. The event highlighted the students' role in a democratic system and how important it is to be ethical and diligent.

Durva Sawant, Student 9 Vega



Sarv Dharm Sabha (8th July)

A special assembly was conducted by Class 1 students, demonstrating reverence towards all religions. The term Sarv Dharm Sam Bhav was coined by Mahatma Gandhi during the freedom movement as a protest against British rule and to promote interfaith harmony. The students also emphasised the right to freedom of religion guaranteed by our constitution. We are the only civilisation in the world that values different faiths and sentiments, and that difference in faith does not make us less human. It simply means that the medium to God is different. The students spoke about the oneness of God.

Shikha Dixit, CT 2 Rigel

Global Tiger Day- Special Assembly (29th July)

A special assembly was conducted by Class 1 to celebrate Global Tiger Day.

Students shared interesting facts about tigers, highlighting the importance of the Royal Bengal Tiger, through a lively musical performance, where the students sang and danced to a catchy wildlife-themed song. The teachers spoke about the ill effects of deforestation and poaching that have caused tigers to be listed as endangered. To culminate the assembly, students pledged to save nature, protect animals, and keep the Earth clean.

Uttama Purohit, CT 1 Vega

Our Green Ways

Minty Meet

Herbal heritage is deeply intertwined with the Indian medicinal system of Ayurveda. The wide range of easily available herbs is used to promote health and well-being. Students of the Herbal Heritage Club learned about the special properties of the herb, mint. They learned about its cooling properties and numerous uses. Mint is used as a mouth freshener, for preparing condiments like chutneys and also for cooling oils. At the Club meeting, we saw how mint can be grown easily at home. The clubmates planted a mint sapling, each, adding aloe vera supplements for healthy and fast growth. Additionally, the members were informed about the various diseases which can harm plants, learned how to prevent them and were encouraged to take full responsibility for their plants. The activity helped them take their first tiny step towards becoming eco-activists.

Mahi Yadav 8 Vega

I did it

Inter House Results:

	IBA		Dance			Slogan Writing
Event/Participating Classes	3 to 5	6 to 8	1 and 2	3 to 5	6 to 8	3 to 5
EXPLORERS	2	4	8	6	3	2
GUARDIANS	6	6	6	4	3	6
INNOVATORS	4	2	2	2	8	6
VANGUARDS	8	8	4	8	6	6



Roborampage Competition – Kalyani School (27 June)

The Robo Rampage Competition was held at the Kalyani School, and our RoboChamps, Riddhi Chouksey, Aarush Belheka, Himay Jain and Siddharth Singh, designed a project called the 'Hydraulic Excavator' used to dig or lift heavy objects and work on zero electricity. They bagged the first prize, making us proud. Congratulations Team !!

Riddhi Choksey, Student 5 Vega

Silver success at The Kalyani Inter-School Doha Gyan competition (27th June)

Students of the Orbis School competed against over 20 schools at the Hindi Literary Meet, the Kalyani School, focusing on timeless dohas of the renowned poets, Tulsidas, Rahim Das and Kabir Das. The three-member team, comprising Tanishka Sharma, Saujanya Dudeja and Dhruva Yadav of Class 8, performed extremely well, winning the second position. Congratulations and many more laurels to come.

Model United Nations

It is a moment of great pride for our school to have won many accolades at the Euro School Model United Nations. Daya Vijayaraghavan, Jhasmitha Kolipara and Gayathri Nanda of Class 10 have received High Commendation and Special Mention Awards in all three committees, they participated.

Have fun learning French.

La fête nationale – le 14 juillet

Le 14 juillet est la fête nationale de la France. Elle commémore la prise de la Bastille par les Parisiens le 14 juillet 1789, un événement important de la Révolution française. Ce jour-là, le peuple français a lutté pour la liberté et l'égalité. Le 14 juillet est un symbole de la République française. Chaque année, à Paris, un grand défilé militaire a lieu sur les Champs-Élysées, avec la présence du Président de la République. Des feux d'artifice sont tirés dans toutes les grandes villes. Les Français célèbrent aussi avec des bals populaires, des concerts et des repas en famille ou entre amis. C'est une journée festive où tous les citoyens se rassemblent pour partager un moment de joie. Ce jour rappelle l'importance des valeurs de liberté, d'égalité et de fraternité, qui sont au cœur de la République française.

French Republic Day – 14 July

July 14 is a national holiday in France. It commemorates the storming of the Bastille by the Parisians on July 14, 1789, an important event during the French Revolution. On that day, the people of France fought for liberty and equality. July 14 is a symbol of the French Republic. Every year in Paris, a grand military parade takes place on the Champs-Élysées, attended by the President of the Republic. Fireworks are set off in all major cities. The French also celebrate with public balls, concerts, and meals with family and friends. It is a festive day when all citizens come together to share joyous moments. This day recalls the importance of the values of liberty, equality, and fraternity, which are at the heart of the French Republic.

Kshitij Agrawal, Student 10 Sirius





Personality of the month

Padma Shri, Nek Chand Saini

Nek Chand (15 December 1924 to 12 June 2015), hailed from Shakargarh tehsil. Shakargarh is in present-day Pakistan. His family moved to India in 1947 during the Partition. Nek Chand found work as a Roads Inspector for the Public Works Department. They moved to Chandigarh in 1955. The Rock Garden is one of the most famous sites in India. Chand, its creator, died in 2015, and his Rock Garden is still visited by millions of people every year.

In his spare time, Nek Chand collected materials from demolition sites around the city. He recycled these materials into his creation. He worked secretly in a forest near the Sukhna Lake in New Delhi. The gorge had been designated as a land conservancy in memory of Nek Chand. Chand's work was illegal, but he was able to hide it for eighteen years before it was discovered by the authorities in 1975. By this time, it had grown into a 52,000 sq. km garden of interlinked courtyards, each filled with hundreds of pottery-covered concrete sculptures of dancers, musicians, and animals. Chand built up the mass with a cement and sand mix made from recycled materials before adding a final coating of smoothly burnished pure cement combined with waste materials such as broken glass, bangles, crockery, mosaic, and iron-foundry slag. His work was in danger of being demolished, but he was able to get public opinion on his side, and in 1986, the park was inaugurated as a public space. Chand was given a salary, a title, and a workforce of 50 labourers so that he could work diligently on his work. It even appeared on an Indian stamp in 1983. The Rock Garden is still made out of recycled materials, and with the government's help, Chand was able to set up collection centres around the city for waste, especially rags and broken ceramics. He was awarded the Padmasree in 1984. He breathed his last on 12 June 2015.



Sakthikumar Jayachandran, Student 8 Sirius



Virtue Alone Ennobles



Reliability

Reliability means dependability and trustworthiness. A reliable person keeps promises, follows through on tasks, and can be counted on by others in times of need. Reliable people can be counted on and have strong relationships, personal or professional. Reliability leads to more open conversation. This is good for both personal and professional aspects of one's life. It builds trust and shows that others can believe in our words and actions.

Communication is the ability to express thoughts and feelings clearly and respectfully and to listen with understanding. Good communication helps us connect, solve problems, avoid misunderstandings, and build strong relationships. Good communication helps in building a good first impression. It ensures more opportunities come our way. Communication doesn't only mean speaking gracefully, but also listening clearly. This makes a person feel and know that their conversation is not one-sided. It makes a conversation more interactive.

Krishay Nanavati, Student 8 Vega



Teachers' Corner

Workshop on Menopause and Mental Health (19th July)

A staff training workshop was conducted on Menopause and Mental Health, where Ms. Paridhi Jalan, the Head of the Psychology Department at Pratibha College of Computer Sciences and Commerce in Pimpri, conducted a meaningful and insightful session. Ms. Paridhi talked about menopause and how it affects both mental and physical health. Ms. Paridhi suggested ways of taking care of and looking after our mental health at that phase of life. The session ended with a meditation and mindfulness exercise. Teachers actively participated, creating a significant and cooperative learning environment. The workshop was successful, all things considered, in increasing awareness of menopause and highlighting methods for maintaining mental health during this important life transition.



Poem - Reliability

A friend who's there through
thick and thin,
Who stands by you when you
can't win.
A steady hand, a calming voice,
Who helps you make the wiser
choice.
Reliability is quite might,
It doesn't boast, it does what's
right.
It shows up on both good and
bad days,
And never seeks out the loudest
praise.
It's keeping promises made with
care,
It's showing others you'll be
there.

It's doing what you said you
would,
And helping when and where
you could.
It builds up trust, stone after
stone,
And never lets one feel alone.
It's found in actions, not just
talk,
It walks the path it says it'll walk.
So be the one whom all can
trust,
Stay true, be kind, be fair, be
just.
For in this world that often
shifts,
Reliability is one of the gifts.
Gregory Belsher, CT 6 Sirius

Poem - Communication

A look, a word, a gentle smile,
Can bridge the longest, widest
mile.
From written notes to spoken
sound,
In every voice, a truth is found.
A whisper shared, a message
clear,
Can wipe away a silent fear.
A friendly chat, a thoughtful
phrase,
Can truly brighten someone's day.
It builds a bond, it solves a fight,
It makes what's wrong a little right.
Through texts, talks, signs and
songs,
It helps us all to get along.

It needs respect, it needs some
grace,
To truly take the other's place.
We listen well, we speak with
care,
We show through words how
much we care.
So let your voice be calm and
kind,
And keep an open, learning
mind.
For hearts connect, and
bridges form,
When communication is the
norm.
Gregory Belsher, CT 6 Sirius

Parents' Prerogative

Parent Teacher Meeting (5th July)

Parent-Teacher Meetings are an integral part of any student's life, as they facilitate the all-around development of a child. On July 5, the first Parent-Teacher Meeting of the 2025-26 academic year for classes 3-5, 10 and 12 was held at the Orbis School, Keshavnagar. During the PTM, teachers discussed the progress of students and addressed pressing concerns with parents to guide them in preparation for the upcoming Examination. Teachers not only shed light on the students' academic performance but also informed parents about their child's extracurricular activities, class participation and overall conduct. It is through such collaboration and communication between teachers and parents that students can reach their full potential at the Orbis School.

Neeta Rawat, CT 3 Sirius

I can do it!

1. Which place did Nek Chand select to create his masterpieces, secretly?
2. How has the Indian government regarded that piece of land now?
3. Where has Nek Chand's work been exhibited?
4. Was Nek Chand a trained artist?



From the Editorial Team:

June's Gentle Call

June wakes the world with golden light,
A season bold, a sky so bright.
The scent of the sun on the morning air,
A hint of dreams just waiting there.

The classroom hush now fades away,
As laughter fills the lengthened day.
We cherish goals we've seen come
true,

While reaching for what's fresh
and new.
A month to pause, yet still prepare,
With open hearts and spirits, fair.
For June begins what lies ahead—
A path of promise gently spread.
Gregory Belsher, CT 6 Sirius



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Thought for the month

June, a month known for summer's warmth and the promise of new beginnings, can evoke a range of thoughts. It's a time for celebrating the season, reflecting on accomplishments, and looking forward to exciting opportunities.

