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## From the Principal's Desk

### Celebrating the Teaching Spirit

"The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The great teacher demonstrates. The greatest teacher inspires." - William Arthur Ward . Teaching is far more than just a profession. It is a calling that extends well beyond the typical nine-to-five routine. Unlike most office workers who clock out at the end of their shift, teachers carry their responsibilities home with them every single day. A teacher's day doesn't end when the final bell rings. They spend countless hours preparing lessons, marking assignments, and thinking of creative ways to help each student succeed. Many teachers arrive early to offer extra support and stay late to supervise clubs, sports teams, or rehearsals for school productions. Teachers don't just teach subjects; they shape minds, build character, and inspire futures. They organise educational trips, coordinate school events, and guide students through personal challenges. This holistic approach to education shapes not only academic success but also character development. Every teacher deserves not just respect, but heartfelt appreciation. A kind word, a note of gratitude, or simply saying 'thank you' can mean more to a teacher than any award. In those small gestures, we honour their dedication, celebrate their quiet victories, and remind them that their tireless efforts truly matter. Teachers deserve our gratitude not only on Teacher's Day, but every day. Their unwavering commitment shapes our growth, our values, and our future, making their contribution truly priceless.

Books may contain knowledge, technology may provide information, but wisdom flows through the heart of a teacher."

**Farida Harianawala, Principal Orbis 1**

## Big News!

It is a matter of deep pride that the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, has been ranked No. 1 under the category 'Digital Learning Advancement'. The Education Today Magazine- India's Premium Education Magazine has announced this as a part of the highly anticipated Maharashtra School Rankings 2025. In this age of digital learning, the award stands as a testament to the school's commitment to keep abreast with the latest learning technologies. The distinguished honour also reflects the school's dedication to educational excellence, innovation, leadership and overall development



## World Mental Health Day ( 14th October)

Creating a safe and inclusive environment for each member of the Orbis family is an imminent part of the Orbis culture. Involving students and staff in planning and execution empowers them and helps in building compassion and keeping all informed, for resilience and mental health. Students of Classes 11 and 12 hosted the event, and planned for the day. The main idea was to create awareness, understand the negative effects of following stigmas and the importance of emotional well being among students, educators and the wider school community. Interactive sessions, thoughtfully curated performances, kept all engaged. Thematic dance and music presentations expressed that it is not okay to not be okay. It was interesting to watch podcast style discussions, featuring short interviews, real life stories that highlighted the significance of mental health in everyday life. This segment offered insights into common psychological issues, coping mechanisms and the role of community and self care. Interactive booth stalls were also set up across the campus, covering a range of psychological topics, such as stress management, emotional intelligence, mindfulness and growth mindset. Games and activities brought elements of fun while imparting ways of relieving stress and challenging mental capacities for memory and positive thinking.

Let us all come together, learn, express, and support each other because mental health matters.

**Prachi Gaikwad, PGT Psychology**

## Flavours from our Orchard

### Domestic and Pet week (1st -3rd September)

Animals capture the hearts of young children. The delight these young Orbians had in watching videos and pictures of their favourite animals was captivating. Celebrating Domestic and Pet Animals Week instils the value of treating animals and all living beings with kindness, care, and love. In class, the teachers discussed what it means to be responsible when owning a pet. The pre-primary stars enjoyed the activity of joining the dots to make a cat. The Jr Kindergarten tiny tots prepared a few sentences on their favourite animal and showcased a show-and-tell activity. The Senior Kindergarten children drew their favourite domestic or pet animals in their scrapbook. The week was a mix of fun, creativity, and learning.

**Hufrish Dutt, CT Sr Kindergarten Mango**



### Hindi: My Official Language ( 8th - 12th September)

Beginning on September 8th, our school enthusiastically celebrated Hindi Week. The day served as a reminder to everyone of the value of Hindi, one of India's official languages. The pre-primary students celebrated the event with a variety of entertaining activities. A short and special talk was given by the teachers explaining the importance of Hindi in our daily lives. Students also joyfully recited melodious rhymes and poems in Hindi, expressing their emotions beautifully. It connected us to our traditions and inspired children to value their mother tongue.

**Arpita Dubey, CT Nursery Apple**

### Pet Day ( 14th September)

It is rightly said that a dog is man's best friend. However, that equation also exists between man and other animals, especially pets. Pet Day is one such occasion that embodies and spreads the spirit of kindness and compassion towards pets. Pet Day was celebrated in school on the 11th of September. The students of pre-primary brought their pets from home, which included dogs, a cat, fish, and two love birds. The very sight of these creatures melted the hearts of the children, which was evident in their caressing of the dogs and lovebirds. This day proved to be truly memorable and educational.

**Manavi Kumar, Assistant Teacher, Sr. Kindergarten**



### Wild animals (Young Ones and Their Homes) (15th - 19th September)

The students of the pre-primary explored the world of wild animals. Nursery Tiny tots learn the art of origami, making paper animals of their choice. The Jr. kindergarten made elephants using paper plates. Sr. Kindergarten children matched animals with their young ones and habitats. Through these activities, children learned to recognise animals, their young ones, and their habitats, helping them to connect with the natural environment.

**Namaratha Goyal, Assistant Teacher, Jr. Kindergarten**



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**Namaratha Goyal, Assistant Teacher, Jr. Kindergarten**



## Transport: Road and Rail (29th September-3rd October)

Our preschoolers had an exciting time learning about Road and Rail transport. Children discovered how roads help cars, buses, and bikes move, while trains run on railway tracks carrying people and goods from one place to another. Nursery and Jr. Kindergarten children enjoyed doing the traffic signal craft and discussed some important traffic rules. The Senior Kindergarten children participated in an interactive Show and Tell Session. With great enthusiasm, the students brought their toy cars, buses, and trains to school. The activities not only helped our children learn about Road and Rail transport but also encouraged creativity, expression, and safety awareness.

**Swati Shrivastava, CT Jr. Kindergarten Apple**

## Swachhata Week (29th September- 3rd October)

Learning about hygiene starts at home. To be educated about proper garbage disposal is important. Swachhata Week was observed with the objective of inculcating in the little ones the value of cleanliness. During this week, various activities were conducted with the students to educate them about keeping their environment clean. This included using the dustbin for disposing of waste, as well as using the toilets mindfully.

**Manavi Kumar, Assistant Teacher, Sr. KG**



## Transport -Water and Air ( 6th -16 October )

Transportation, which connects people through land, air, and sea, plays an important role in our lives. Our nursery children explored this theme by making submarines and hot air balloons. The Junior kindergartners made origami boats and airplanes to learn the importance of various vehicles. The Senior kindergartners made a ship, learning how transportation can get us in both travel and trade. All of these hands-on experiences helped the children to engage with the concept of transportation in a fun and meaningful way.

**Prabhavathi Rajkumar, CT Jr. Kindergarten Orange**



## Why So Much Rain in 2025?

Rain- Rain go away. India is witnessing unusually heavy rainfall in 2025 due to a mix of climate and weather factors. Warmer ocean temperatures, early monsoon onset, and more low-pressure systems have led to intense downpours. Climate change is also increasing the frequency of extreme weather events. While the total rainfall may be above normal, it is unevenly spread, causing floods in some areas and dry spells in others. Urbanization and deforestation worsen the impact. These unpredictable patterns highlight the urgent need for better planning and awareness, especially for students growing up in a climate-sensitive future.

## Birds (28th -31st October)

Nature is intriguing and mysterious. Birds are nature's gift to humankind. A Show and Tell activity was held in the nursery Class, where the children were excited to see pictures of different birds and try to understand more about them. The Jr. Kindergarten children made nests and birds out of paper plates, and the Senior Kindergarten children had a bird-making activity with fan-folding wings to learn more about different birds, their feathers, and how they fly and survive. They were bubbling with excitement during the activities. Their Curiosity has taken flight!

**Anjali Katara, CT Sr. Kindergarten Apple.**



 **I Know More, I Grow More**

## Connecting Trust Workshop (1st September)

An engaging workshop on the topic 'How to Become a Good Listener' was conducted on September 1, 2025, at the Orbis School, Keshavnagar, by the Connecting Trust NGO. It was especially organized for the students of Class 8, who, being at a crucial stage of life, should understand the importance of being a good listener. The seminar was interactive and informative. We learned how to talk to someone who is facing problems, how to begin a conversation, and how to make them feel comfortable so they can feel confident and trust the other person and share openly. We also understood how important empathy and patience are when we listen to others. The guests actively engaged with us by asking questions, and the students responded eagerly.

**Arya Mahajan, Student 8 Sirius**

## Anti-Bullying Workshop (2nd September)

Ms. Simran Shrivastav conducted an interactive anti-bullying workshop for Class 7 students. She showed a PowerPoint presentation and explained the meaning of bullying, its harmful effects, and ways to prevent it. The session was highly engaging, and we students participated by sharing our personal experiences and thoughts. Ms. Simran emphasised the importance of kindness, respect, and standing up against bullying. We asked questions and discussed different situations where bullying can occur. The workshop was lively and informative. By the end of the session, we gained a clear understanding of how to promote a positive and safe environment in school.

**Hrishaan Nehal, Student 7 Rigel**

## Inter House Board Activity: My Vision of the Indian Education System in 2050 ( 8th September)

Keeping in mind the theme, the displays emphasized tech-based learning, the impact of the advancement on all children, the lack of access in rural areas, and various modes of learning. At the same time, the boards showcased innovative solutions like digital equality, inclusive policies, AI-powered classrooms, and a balance between technology and human values. Each house made commendable attempts to combine innovation, art, and research to show how India can transform its educational system by 2050. Apart from encouraging innovation and collaboration, the contest inspired everyone to imagine a brighter and inclusive educational future.

**Sreedevi Shibu, Student 11 Sirius**

## Workshop: Anti-Bullying (9th September)

On 9th September, our counsellor, Ms. Simran Srivastava, conducted a session for Class 9 students. It was about anti-bullying. She guided us on how to recognize bullying and its various kinds. She taught us how to face and respond to bullying, both mental and physical. It was an interactive discussion in which all of us participated enthusiastically. It helped us to understand how profound the effects of bullying can be, not only for the one being bullied but also for the one who bullies. A humorous video at the end of the session lightened our moods while also enlightening us. We are grateful for having a session which helped us learn an important life lesson and enhance our personalities.

**Naitik Bisani, Student 9 Rigel**

## Collaborative Class Sports Psychology and Psychology (9th September)

In a special interdisciplinary session at The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, Class 12 Humanities combined the subjects of psychology and physical education, enabling students to explore the intricate connection between their mental and physical well-being. The Type A and Type B personality types were the primary focus of the joint session. People with Type B personalities, their motivation, behaviour, and performance in sports and daily life were thoroughly discussed. The students' thoughtful reflections and active participation in discussions made the session noteworthy and captivating.

## Workshop: Peer Pressure (10th September)

On the 11th of September, 2025, a session on Peer Pressure was conducted for the students of Class 10 by our Counsellor, Ms. Simran Srivastava. The session focused on peer pressure, its types and effects. We understood how peer pressure is not always negative and how positive peer pressure can actually lead to healthy competition, improved academic performance and a better personality. We learnt coping mechanisms to deal with peer pressure, especially negative ones. The session underscored the importance of self-love as an important aspect to deal with any kind of pressure. It was a comprehensive session with practical tips.

**Anushka Sharma, Student 10 Sirius**

## Half Yearly Examination (15th September)

The students of the Middle, Secondary and Senior Secondary sections took their first half-yearly examination. After a lot of practice and revision in school and at home, students were prepared and followed the format and rules laid out before and during the tests. This marks the beginning of the second half of the academic year and the successful completion of the first half of learning and growing.

## Workshop on Suicide Prevention Day (17th September)

On September 17, 2025, Grade XII students at the Orbis School in Keshav Nagar celebrated World Suicide Prevention Day in an effort to raise awareness of mental health issues and resilience. According to CBSE's vision of holistic well-being, the program's objectives were to teach students coping mechanisms, emotional resilience, and the value of asking for help. The vice principal and school counsellors gave a speech to start the day, emphasising inclusivity and peer support. Students shared coping mechanisms and affirmations in the Wall of Hope while the Yellow Ribbon Ceremony represented unity. Through poetry and posters, students were able to express their ideas on the theme of You Are Not Alone. An address that emphasised empathy, self-care, and the value of life marked the program's conclusion.

## Workshop: Safe Unsafe Touch (19th September)

"Knowledge is power: knowing safe and unsafe touch keeps children safe". A workshop on Safe and Unsafe touch was conducted by our teachers, Ms. Harpreet Gandhi and Ms. Svetha Venkataraman, on September 19, 2025. The workshop helped young minds differentiate between the terms 'Good touch' and 'Bad touch'. Say a big no when put in an uncomfortable situation and convey the message to a trusted adult or teacher. This session created awareness among the students to handle safe and unsafe situations in daily life.

**Svetha Venkataraman, CT 1 Sirius**

## Field Trip (24th September)

A field trip is an opportunity for all students to visit a location, understand its importance, and the impact it has on a person's day-to-day life. Class 1 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to the Amanora Fire Station in Hadapsar, Pune. The little Orbians learnt about the firefighters and different ways to rescue oneself and others in the event of a fire. They witnessed firsthand the deployment of fire trucks and extinguishers. They were ecstatic to see the tall staircase that led to the large buildings. As "Heroes in Red Helmets," firefighters taught kids that they are our saviours.

**Svetha Venkataraman, CT 1 Sirius**

## Field Trip (25th September)

The Orbis School, Keshavnagar, organised a field trip for Class 2 on 25th September to the National War Memorial and Southern Command Museum at Ghorpadi. It is a post-independence memorial and a war complex dedicated to war martyrs. The students were intrigued by the various tanks, like the MiG-23N jet used in the Kargil war, the INS Trishul replica, uniforms, and weapons of different armed forces. There were marble pillars inscribed with the names of the martyrs. They also saw a patriotic audio-visual show with great interest. The premises have a beautiful garden with a flagpole of height 101 feet. Here, the students paid tribute to the Indian Flag and expressed their gratitude towards our brave warriors by saying "Jai Hind" together.

**Pratima Bedmutha, CT 2 Deneb**

## Inter House Quiz Competition (3rd October)

Science is a world of mysteries where curiosity should never end, and that is exactly where the secondary wing of our school ventured. The Inter-House Science Quiz was held on 3rd October, 2025. Questions covered both textbook concepts and general knowledge. Each house had four members—two from Class 9 and two from Class 10. The quiz had four rounds. Round 1 featured questions from the Class 9 and 10 textbooks, with some going beyond, testing knowledge and reasoning. Round 2 presented jumbled scientific terms, a truly puzzling challenge. Round 3 focused on famous scientific institutes and centres, highlighting India's history and progress in science. Round 4 introduced great scientific minds whose work changed history, testing contestants' awareness of these pioneers. The quiz not only fostered a love for science but also revealed how much there is still to learn, especially about our country's scientific achievements. It was an enriching and memorable experience for both participants and the audience alike.

**Durva Sawant, Student 9 Vega**

## Science Quiz-Class 11 & 12 (3rd October)

The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, conducted a Science Quiz Competition for the students of classes 11th and 12th on 3rd October 2025. The 4 houses competed with utmost energy, zeal, and dedication, and led to the victory of the Innovators' house. The rest of the houses depicting sportsmanship commented that they did not win, but learnt that knowledge does not go to waste. The teachers and coordinators enjoyed the event and praised the students for their high participation. Lastly, the event was a huge success with the cooperation of students and teachers.

**Atrijo Ghosh, Student 12 Vega**

## Field Trip (5th October)

Students of Classes 9 and 10 visited the National Defence Academy, Khadakvasla. Starting with a brief from an Air Force personnel about the rigorous course at the NDA and the qualifications required to join it, the trip was not only intriguing but truly motivating. The students visited the horse training block, which has more than a hundred horses, the Gol Market, where cadets enjoy their 'liberty time', and the cadet mess, where 2000 cadets can eat at the same time. The Sudan Block is an elegant building where all the students gathered for a group picture. The visit ended with a short film that left everyone feeling proud of our forces and their dedication towards the country.

**Hansika Nege, Student 9 Sirius**

## Workshop on Self Love ( 10th October)

Students of Class 6 attended a workshop on Self-Love conducted by Miss Simran Srivastava. The key takeaways of the workshop were as follows: It is very important to be kind to oneself, We call it "Self Love". It's not about being selfish or thinking that we are better than everyone else. It's about being our own best friend and taking care of ourself, mind and body. Being kind to ourself is a big deal because it helps us handle tough situations without getting too down. When we like who we are, we feel more confident to try new things and make better choices for ourselves. It also helps us build better friendships with people who treat us with respect. How to practice Self-Love? Use kind words - Talk to ourself the way we would to a good friend. Do something for fun - Spend time on our favourite hobby like drawing, laying or reading. Forgive ourself - Everyone makes mistakes, so learn from them instead of being mad at ourself. Practising self-love is essential for your mental and physical health, helping us build confidence and handle challenges.

**Haneet Sahni, Student 6 Sirius**

## OrbiCup- Football (9th- 10th October)

The Orbis School saw two days of vigorous energy on the school sports ground with players from the Kalyani School, Kothari International School, Euro School, Undri, The Knowledge habitat, CM International School and the Orbis Schools, Keshav Nagar and Mundhwa. Thirty nine teams, in all, filled the space making the days vibrant and competitive. The winners and the runners-up were felicitated while the others were complimented on their spirit of sportsmanship. The Sports team of the Orbis School work relentlessly to make sporting events successful and inspiring, this year was no different . We look forward to next year and begin preparing immediately.

## Field Trip (11th October)

The Orbis School, Keshavnagar, organized an educational field trip to the Symbiosis Skill University for the students of Classes 11 and 12. Students experienced the feeling of being on a college campus and learnt about courses offered after Class 12. State-of-the-art labs, which ranged from mechanical labs to fashion labs served as a delight to the eyes. The school ensured that it was a smooth flow of events, and the students got to enjoy the exclusive campus.

**Sumedh Mathkar, Student 11 Vega**

## No Bag Day: Dr. Kalam's Birthday (15th October)

The students at the Orbis School zealously observed No Bag Day on the birth anniversary of the former President of India, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, which was a much-needed break from their regular coursework. Stimulating hands-on activities, art and craft, storytelling, and quizzes were designed throughout the day to promote creativity and experiential learning. The students were eager to explore learning and came to school without their typical stack of books and notebooks. The students were reminded that learning occurs not only with textbooks but also in every interaction, discussion, and observation.

## Inter House competition- One Act Hindi Play ( 15th October)

The Inter House One Act Play for the Classes 6-8 was conducted with the objective of building in students the skills of effective dialogue delivery, stage presence, public speaking and team work. Students performed their roles with enthusiasm and vibrant energy. Adorned with the required props, they lived their characters very well. From learning the dialogues to the final showcase, teamwork was palpable and evident.



## Impressions and Expressions

### The True Glow of Diwali

Every year, Diwali arrives and something magical stirs in the air. And it's not just the sound of firecrackers or the glow of diyas flickering in the night. It's the feeling. There's a warmth that spreads from home to home. Diwali, often called the Festival of Lights, is a lot more than a celebration of victory. It's a reminder. It tells us that light will always find its way, even in the darkest of times. It's a symbol of hope. A symbol of good triumphing over evil, truth over lies, and love over hate. What makes Diwali special is that it brings people together. Families decorate their homes and cook the most delicious sweets, for themselves, and to share with friends too. Children run around excitedly with sparklers in their hand, elders bless the young, and neighbours exchange gifts. But beyond the festivities, Diwali is also a time to pause, to think about the light inside of us. The kindness, courage and compassion we carry. It invites us to forgive, to let go of what no longer serves us, and to begin again. Lighting a diya is a very small act, yet it holds so much meaning. It's like a promise to have hope and help others when they are lost. A promise to never let the darkness win. The flame flickering in every house is a reflection of our shared humanity. As the lights shimmer this Diwali, may they remind us that the real celebration isn't just outside but within us. Because Diwali isn't only about lighting lamps, It's about lighting lives. Here's to love, peace, and the glow that never fades. Happy Diwali!

**Shreya Varadharajan, Student 8 Sirius**

### Happiness in little things

Happiness isn't usually groundbreaking things  
It's comfort, a joy that only certain things can bring  
It can be found in a cup of coffee during the rain,  
Or when you lie down to read a book, finally free of strain  
Happiness can be felt in your favorite movie while hearing rain's patter  
on the roof,  
And with your closest people, with whom you don't need to worry about  
being a goof.  
It's in waking up and seeing sunlight sift through your curtain

Or even when you buy something for a good bargain  
Happiness is in a sweater that smells like home,  
Or in a pair of slippers, you've probably outgrown.  
It's strongest for some in silence after noise,  
Mainly for those who love to be in perfect poise.  
Happiness is in the little things that guarantee  
That even though things might seem bad, a time will always come  
when they won't be.

**Daya Vijayaraghavan, Student 10 Sirius**

## Tech Wonders

Imagine a world without computers, phones, or the internet—it would be very difficult to do the simplest of things. Technology is everywhere, and it is changing the way we live, learn, and have fun. In school, it helps students understand lessons better. We can watch videos, take online quizzes, and even attend virtual classes from home. With a computer or tablet, we can learn about anything we want, from science experiments to historical facts. Technology also makes it easier to talk and connect with people. We can call, message, or video chat with friends and family anywhere in the world. Social media applications allow us to share pictures, ideas, and experiences, keeping us connected even when we are far away. Technology has also improved health and fitness. Doctors can check our health with new machines, and there are applications that track our steps, sleep, and exercise. Some even remind us to take medicines on time. People can ask for medical advice online, which is very helpful when visiting a hospital is difficult. Entertainment has become more exciting and available anytime we want. We can play games, watch movies, listen to music, or enjoy videos with just a click. Daily life has also become simpler. Tasks like shopping, paying bills, or booking tickets can be done online, saving a lot of time and effort. Technology is making the world faster, smarter, and more fun, but it is important to use it wisely. Too much screen time or social media can be harmful to our eyes, mind, and health. By using technology carefully, we can enjoy all the benefits it brings. It can help us learn new things, stay connected with friends and family, and have fun in ways that were not possible before. Technology is not just a tool; it is becoming a part of our daily lives, shaping how we think, learn, and live. It makes our lives easier, safer, and more enjoyable, and when used properly, it can truly help us achieve great things.

**Saujanya Dudeja, Student 7 Deneb**

## मराठी लघुलेख - माझा आवडता सण

माझा आवडता सण दिवाळी आहे. या दिवशी श्रीराम वनवास संपवून अयोध्येला परतले होते; त्यामुळे आपण दिवाळी साजरी करतो. दिवाळीच्या दिवसांत आपण आपली घरे स्वच्छ करून सजवतो. रांगोळ्या काढतो. दिव्यांनी सजवतो. नवीन कपडे घालतो. फटाके फोडतो. या सणात लाडू, करंजी, शंकरपाले असे अनेक गोड पदार्थ बनवले जातात. हा सण ऑक्टोबर किंवा नोव्हेंबर महिन्यात येतो. मला हा सण खूप आवडतो.

**Urvi Mandar Karve, Student 4 Antares**

## हमारी प्रकृति

पेड़ है यहाँ  
फूल है वहाँ  
आकाश है ऊपर,  
पाताल है नीचे।  
प्रकृति को देखो,  
अलग नज़रिए सौ  
चिड़ियाँ उड़ती यहाँ,  
मधुमक्खी उड़ती वहाँ।  
मोर नाचता, भँवरा गाता  
कलियाँ उगती पौधों पर,  
फल उगते पेड़ों पर।  
नीली, पीली, हरी, लाल, तितलियाँ,  
उड़ती यहाँ -वहाँ।  
ये प्रकृति है कमाल,  
इसकी सुंदरता बेमिसाल।  
प्रकृति में अपने सपने बसे,  
आओ हम इसका आदर करें।  
**Aashvi Jain, Student 4 Antares**

## The Examinations

The room was quiet; the breeze was cool':  
Everyone was busy writing their paper too.  
I stumbled upon a question, until I  
went.....Achhoo!  
My paper was smeared; I needed another  
one very well.  
I filled up the requirements and started my  
paper,  
And this is how it went along.  
The room became dark;  
I looked around to notice that the power  
was off.  
It got hot;  
I heard a cow mooing; everyone laughed,  
hearing the sound.  
The power came on; everyone cooled  
down.  
I completed my paper and..... Achhoo!!  
Everyone was staring at me,  
It was proven now, that I had a cold;  
I looked apologetically - It's an allergen.  
**Avnoor Kaur Mahal, Student 4 Antares**

## The Value of Belongingness

Belonging. That's something that everyone wants. Fitting in... But is it so easy? We grow up learning to differentiate to label, and it leaves a silent impact on our future. We see our surroundings as groups, and we often feel out of place in a lot of them. And yet belongingness is simple; it's a choice. You have to believe that you belong, you have to plunge into the unknown, try things out. Trusting your voice and your opinions is what will push you forward into the world. Speaking your mind, steadfast and true, that's what will push you to meet your people. Belongingness is something that you only feel with your people. Your people will uplift you, help you reach greater heights. You'll belong with others when you truly belong with yourself.

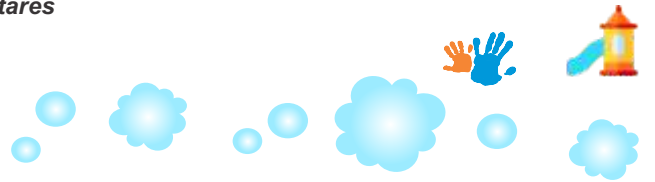
**Durva Tejpal Sawant, Student 9 Vega**

## Club of the month

### Science and Nature Club: Plastic Collection

Students of the Science and Nature Club organised a Plastic Collection Drive in the month of August. It was an awareness programme to understand the importance of reducing carbon footprint. Students and staff were encouraged to segregate plastic and collect it all in school, which was later taken away by a Plastic Collection Organisation. This was just a small step, and the endeavour is to continue working towards the benefits of planet Earth and reducing pollution of all kinds.

**Members of the Science and Nature Club**



## Interact Club visit to RSM School (3rd September)

The Interact Club of the Orbis School, Keshavnagar, visited a ZP school on 3rd of September 2025. All the interactors, accompanied by the teachers in charge, travelled to the school. A Plantation Drive event was hosted by us. Students of the Interact Club brought plants of all kinds to the school and had the beautiful experience of planting them. They used various tools and their own hands to plant the saplings in the ZP school's kitchen and vertical garden. It was sheer bliss. Students were given knowledge on why planting trees is important, how deforestation leads to climate change. After explaining to them about global warming, they were encouraged to take care of and water the plants planted in their school garden. It was a wonderful experience for the interactors and the students of the school. Everyone understood that we must plant trees together to keep our environment clean and healthy. This is our small step as students to fight climate change for the betterment of the world.

**Oishi, Student 8 Deneb**

## Public Speaking Club

The Public Speaking Club serves as an excellent platform for students to develop confidence, clarity, and effective communication skills. Through well-structured sessions that include prepared speeches, storytelling, and impromptu speaking, students are encouraged to express their ideas thoughtfully and confidently. The club nurtures critical thinking, creativity, and leadership qualities, while also helping students overcome stage fright. By providing consistent opportunities to present before an audience, the Public Speaking Club equips learners with essential life skills that will benefit them in both academic and personal spheres.

**Sushma Patole, CT 5 Deneb**

## Handicraft Club

The Handicraft Club offers a creative platform for students to explore and express their artistic talents. Through engaging activities such as mask making, pottery, and jewellery making, students refine their fine motor skills while developing a keen sense of design, texture, and aesthetics. These thoughtfully structured sessions encourage creativity, patience, and attention to detail, allowing learners to bring their imaginative ideas to life through hands-on work. The club also nurtures focus, perseverance, and an appreciation for traditional crafts, fostering both artistic expression and personal development. By consistently engaging in creative processes, students not only enhance their craftsmanship but also gain confidence and joy in creating something unique - skills that support overall growth and lifelong learning.

**Viola Fernandes, ST Art and Craft**

## Etiquette Club Display ( 26th September)

The culmination of the Etiquette Club was conducted on the 26th of September. Students displayed proper etiquette which they had learned during this Club through various displays and acts, which included greeting everyone properly, how to have a proper telephone conversation, table manners, and washroom etiquette. It was a wonderful session conducted by Classes 1 and 2 to remind everyone of day to day etiquette.

**Alina Salim, CT 1 Rigel**

## Special Assemblies

### Hindi Diwas ( 9th September)

हिंदी हिंदुस्तान की पहचान है। हिंदी हमारे सम्मान और गर्व की भाषा है। हर साल 14 सितम्बर को हमारे देश में हिंदी दिवस मनाया जाता है। हिंदी भाषा के प्रति रुचि जागृत करने के लिए कक्षा 1 और 2 के छात्रों के लिए विशेष सभा प्रस्तुत की गई। कक्षा 1 और 2 के कुछ छात्रों ने हिंदी भाषा पर आधारित गाना, नाच और नाटक प्रस्तुत किया। इस नाटक के द्वारा छात्रों ने हिंदी एक बहुत सरल, सहज और सुगम भाषा है ये समझाया। हमारे अध्यापिका जी ने सभा में छात्रों को हिंदी दिवस के बारे में महत्वपूर्ण जानकारी दी। कार्यक्रम का समापन बड़े ही सुंदरता से किया गया।

**Pooja Pandey, ST Hindi**

## Teachers' Day

The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, celebrated Teachers' Day with great enthusiasm. The students of Class 4 Rigel conducted the Special Assembly on Gratitude. In the presence of a cheerful gathering of students and teachers from Classes 3 to 5, the programme began with a prayer, setting a serene tone for the celebration. A thought and word for the day were shared to inspire the audience. Students presented a heartfelt skit and a poem to express their love and respect for teachers. Merit Cards were also presented by the Upper Primary Coordinator and the Principal to the Classes with the Maximum Newspaper Collection, encouraging students' active participation in community welfare. The celebration concluded with the Principal's and the Coordinator's address, followed by the national anthem. The celebration was a memorable tribute to the guiding lights of our lives—our teachers.

**Pallavi, CT 4 Rigel**

## Gandhi Jayanti- Special Assembly (30th October)

'May we be the change we wish to see,' Mahatma Gandhi

Keeping this quote in mind on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, a Special Assembly was conducted by the students of Class 1 Deneb. The students talked about the principle of nonviolence, the thought of seeing no evil, hearing no evil, and speaking no evil was brought forward. The hymn Ragu Pati Raghav Raja Ram sung by the little Orbians brought peace and devotion in the atmosphere. The Assembly ended with a short story where all learnt that nonviolence and kindness bring people together.

**Swati Poddar, CT 1 Deneb**

## Our Green Ways

### Herbal Tea – A Sip of Wellness

The students of the Herbal Heritage and Nature Club had an enriching experience learning how to prepare herbal tea and discovering its numerous health benefits. The demonstration took place in the Chemistry lab and was led by our teachers. Herbal tea is a traditional remedy known for its medicinal properties. It is prepared using Tulsi (holy basil), lemongrass, jaggery, black pepper, and a blend of other spices—not only to enhance the flavour but also to boost its health benefits. The herbs were carefully washed and then boiled in water to extract their essence. Once the herbs had released their flavours, the spice mixture was added to complete the preparation. The tea was then strained through a sieve and served to everyone.

This warm and soothing drink is especially popular in the winter months, as it helps relieve cold and cough symptoms and has a calming, warming effect on the body. Our teachers encouraged us to try making this simple yet effective tea at home for our families. It was a valuable and enjoyable learning experience for all of us—one that blended traditional wisdom with hands-on practice.

#### Members of the Nature Club

### I did it

The Under-14 Football Team of the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar secured the third position in the DSO ZP Basketball Competition. Congratulations on such a marvellous feat.

The World Robot Olympiad-2025 is a Global Robotics Competition for young people. This year, the competition's main topic was Future Robots, calling for new concepts, ideas, and technologies that will explore the rapidly evolving field of robotics and its potential to shape our world.

Aryan Sonawane of Class 10 Sirius and Arijit Adbhai of Class 9 Vega participated in the Future Innovators - Junior Category. Their project — VITAJET, was an autonomous prototype of a drone ambulance system built for situations such as real emergencies — like floods, traffic jams, or rural areas where ground ambulances often can't reach in time, and that delay can cost lives. It is designed to fly directly to a patient's location after receiving GPS coordinates sent from a custom web server.

A total of 400 teams across India participated in the Virtual event. Our team, RoboRoyals, bagged the 3rd position and qualified for the regional round. The regional round was held on 2nd August at the National Science Center, Mumbai. Our students displayed great skills in presentation and demonstrated the working of the project with confidence and precision. They earned a Silver badge with a regional rank of 11 out of 200 teams.

The school acknowledges the efforts and mentorship of the robotics teachers and Bhavikk Sanghvi, who were instrumental in the students' successes at various stages. We also acknowledge the support of our parent mentor, Mr. Mayur Sonawane, in sparing his valuable time and assisting the team with the project.



### Times NiE Quizomania (26th September)

The Times NIE Quizomania 2025-26, an Inter-School Quiz Contest for students of Classes 8 to 10, was presented by The Times of India. The quiz was conducted by quizmaster Gaston D'Souza at the Balgandharva Rangmandir and sponsored by Shiksha Gurus. More than 100 schools from Pune and Pimpri Chinchwad participated in the quiz. From the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, two teams participated, and Team 2, Sakthi Kumaran Jayachandran, Ritvik Hukkeri, Shivansh Singh, won the consolation prize (Boat Smart Watch). They learned a lot in the process.

#### Participants were

##### Team 1:

Student 1 (Std 8th): Md Ayas Arefin  
Student 2 (Std 9th): Lakshyaraj Singh  
Student 3 (Std 10th): Aksh Neema

##### Team 2:

Student 1 (Std 8th): Sakthi Kumaran Jayachandran  
Student 2 (Std 9th): Ritvik Hukkeri  
Student 3 (Std 10th): Shivansh Singh

### Inter House Results:

Event/Participating Classes	IBA (Class 11-12)
EXPLORERS	6
GUARDIANS	3
INNOVATORS	8
VANGUARDS	3

### Have fun learning French

L'automne arrive doucement entre l'été chaud et l'hiver froid. Les feuilles deviennent rouges, jaunes et orange, comme un feu joyeux. Les arbres ressemblent à des peintures vivantes dans la nature. Le vent léger danse entre les branches et fait chanter les bois. C'est le temps des pommes sucrées et des raisins mûrs. Les récoltes et les vendanges remplissent les champs de vie. En forêt, les pas font chanter les tapis de feuilles sèches. L'automne, avec sa lumière dorée, prépare le monde pour l'hiver.

#### Autumn Season

Autumn comes gently between the warm summer and the cold winter. The leaves turn red, yellow, and orange, like a happy fire. The trees look like living paintings in nature. The soft wind dances through the branches and makes the woods sing. It is the time of sweet apples and ripe grapes. The harvests and grape-picking fill the fields with life. In the forest, footsteps make music on carpets of dry leaves. Autumn, with its golden light, prepares the world for winter.

**Suchitra Venkatesh, Student 10 Sirius**

## Personality of the month

Shri Chandrapuram Ponnusami Radhakrishnan took charge as the Vice President of India on 12th of September, 2025. Born on 4th May, 1957 in Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu and with more than four decades of experience, Shri Radhakrishnan is a respected name in the polity and public life. He earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration. He ran a successful stint as a garment exporter before entering public life. During his political career, he served as the Secretary of Bharatiya Janata Party, Tamil Nadu and was elected to the Lok Sabha for the first time in 1998 from the constituency of Coimbatore. As a Member of Parliament, he served as the Chairman of the Parliamentary Standing Committee for Textiles, a member of the Parliamentary Committee for Public Sector Undertakings and the Consultative Committee for Finance. Prior to being appointed the Vice President, he served as the Governor of Maharashtra for a little more than a year, the Governor of Jharkhand for nearly one and a half years. During this period, he also held additional charges as the Governor of Telangana and the Lt. Governor of Puducherry for brief periods. Apart from his life in politics and keen interest in improving higher education, Shri Radhakrishnan is an avid sportsman. A college champion in table tennis and long distance running, he also enjoys cricket and volleyball.

Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan



## Virtue Alone Ennobles

### Belongingness

Do you recall your first day at school? Strange hallways, a sea of unknown faces, and the silent wish to make friends. What were we looking for at the time? It was more than just classroom instruction; it was a deep human need for belonging. Humans are social animals. When we feel we belong with family, friends, classmates, or even in groups, life starts to feel happier, but when we isolate ourselves, life starts getting depressing and painful. When we are with people who accept us for who we are, we stop acting perfectly and live happily; this comfort makes us creative, confident, and free from feeling judged by others. Once we feel included, we want to include others, and that is how strong communities are built. Belongingness is one of the greatest strengths of human life, but many people do not notice it until it is missing. Valuing belongingness means understanding that everyone wants to feel included and accepted. We can all achieve this by respecting others and listening to their ideas without judgment. Including other people in various activities makes them feel connected and important. It is also important to stay true to yourself because true belonging comes when people accept you as you are. Communities and friendships are strengthened when people share, care for, and support one another through good times and bad. Everyone feels appreciated when differences in skills, viewpoints, and cultures are celebrated. Finally, once you feel included, it is important to give back by helping others feel the same sense of belonging.

**Namish Sharma, Student 10 Rigel**

## Teachers' Corner

### NEEV Award

Keeping in mind that growth and learning go hand in hand, the Academic Staff of the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, raises the bar with each opportunity coming their way. Mindful interactions, dedicated class time and repeated efforts make the journey of learning worthwhile and effective. We feel proud that teachers of our school have been felicitated for their consistent strive to mentor young minds. Ms Deepali Pandey, PGT, teaching Social Studies and Ms. Rajshri Roy, PRT received the NEEV award, an initiation by the BJP Education cell, honouring educators for their hard work. We congratulate them and feel immensely proud of them for being a source of inspiration for all.



### Micro Teaching

"Classroom Management and Pedagogy" aimed to equip educators with practical classroom management tools, introduce modern pedagogical strategies to enhance student engagement, and foster collaboration through the sharing of best practices. The session encouraged teachers to adopt more mindful, inclusive, and intentional teaching approaches. The session "Social Skills and Emotional Development: Building Empathy and Teamwork through Collaborative Projects" was conducted for teachers to enhance their understanding of how empathy and teamwork support students' overall growth. It highlighted the roles of communication, cooperation, respect, and emotional awareness in building positive relationships and preparing students for real-life challenges. The key takeaway was that combining empathy with teamwork fosters a supportive, respectful, and collaborative classroom environment, helping nurture responsible and caring individuals.

**Swathi Dagupathi, CT 5 Rigel**

## Teachers' Day ( 3rd September)

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## Books and Backflips

A Poem on Balancing Exams and Play  
Between the pages and the goal,  
Between the textbook and the stroll,  
We walk a line both thin and fine—  
Of chasing dreams and making time.

The clock ticks loud when exams are near,  
The mind is sharp, the deadlines clear.  
But even minds need time to breathe,  
To run on fields, or climb a tree.  
A break is not a waste of time,  
A rested brain will always shine.  
So write your notes, but take that walk,

Let joy and effort both unlock.  
Balance is the secret art,  
Of using both the mind and heart.  
For grades may come, and scores may sway,  
But what we keep is how we play.  
**Gregory Belsher, CT 6 Sirius**



## Parents' Prerogative

### Parental Involvement (10-11 September)

Parental Involvement Sessions focusing on the combined benefits of dance and yoga were successfully held on 10th and 11th of September for Classes 4 and 5, respectively. The Class 5 session was conducted by Ms Poonam Gavane, a parent volunteer from 5 Sirius. The session began with a brief warm-up, followed by an energetic dance segment and calming yoga practices. The Class 4 parental involvement session had Ms Rupali Patil, another parent volunteer, conducting a session on 'Benefits of Surya Namaskar'. The session had the whole-hearted participation of the youngsters as their supple bodies perfected one mudra after another. These sessions also foster mutual respect and understanding between teachers and parents, creating a shared sense of responsibility for student success. By building a strong school-home partnership, parental involvement sessions contribute to a more supportive, inclusive, and enriching educational environment for all learners.

**Arti Raina, CT 5 Sirius, Nalini Saklani, CT 4 Antares**

### Parent Teacher Meeting ( 11th October)

The parents and teachers of the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar met once again to discuss the results of the Half Yearly examination. Class 10 had a physical meet, along with the students. The primary classes and Class 9 met virtually. The Report Cards were shared in advance with the parents. This was an endeavour to help understand the challenges and ways to overcome them along with appreciation of work done so far.

### Parent-Teacher Meeting at The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar (11th October)

The Parent Teacher Meeting for Class 11 at The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar was conducted virtually to ensure efficiency and convenience of the parents. Teachers and parents were able to discuss each student's overall development and communicate with one another through the PTM. Despite being held virtually the meeting was very interactive and well-structured. Parents appreciated the teacher's dedication to the well-run PTM and their punctuality. Through the friendly exchange of ideas and constructive criticism students were inspired to focus more on their goals and get better the following term. All in all the PTM was instructive, encouraging and beneficial and it improved the bond between teachers, parents and students. It effectively illustrated the Orbis Schools commitment to cooperation and advancement.

## Did you know!

- Dr. Radhakrishnan did not want a celebration for himself. His exact sentiment: "Instead of celebrating my birthday separately, it would be my proud privilege if 5th September is observed as Teachers' Day."
- He was nominated for the Nobel Prize 27 times!
- The first Teacher's Day in India was celebrated in 1962
- Dr. Radhakrishnan's students would sit on the floor, even when he was President
- India has the largest number of teachers in the world.



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## I can do it!

1. Shri Chandrapuram Ponnusami Radhakrishnan was the governor of which state of India?
2. Apart from being a politician, what other occupation does Dr. Radhakrishnan hold?
3. Which games does he enjoy playing?



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### Thought for the month

You only are free when you realize you belong no place--you belong every place--no place at all. The price is high. The reward is great. - **Maya Angelou**



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