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The Orbis School, Mundhwa proudly presents its Annual Report for the academic year 2025–26. The year stands as a testament to the institution's continued pursuit of excellence across academics, innovation, leadership, and holistic development, nurturing confident, creative, and future-ready learners.

Academic Achievements

The school recorded outstanding success in the CBSE Board Examinations 2025, achieving a 100% pass result in both Classes 10 and 12.

In Class 12, students demonstrated consistent academic excellence, with 22.22% scoring above 90%, 61.11% securing distinction (above 75%), and 16.67% achieving first-class results (above 60%) across Science and Commerce streams. Notably, every student surpassed the 60% benchmark.

In the Science stream, Chaitanya Tewari (93%), Harshad Kale (89%), and Samruddhi Pradip Jagtap (87.6%) distinguished themselves through their academic performance. In the Commerce stream, Ayrissa Bindu emerged as the top performer with an exceptional 96%, followed by Tarun Desai (94.8%), Rushil Morankar (94.2%), and Dnyaneshwari Dhole and Swayam Pardeshi (93.4% each).

The Class 10 cohort also achieved a 100% result, with 40.58% of students scoring above 90%, 42.03% above 75%, and 17.39% above 60%. Significantly, no student scored below 60%. The school toppers—Iyer Vivikta Ganesh (98.4%), Aradhya Sharma (98.2%), Kavnik Selvakumar and Yash Bhatia (98.0% each), Niyati Ladhani (97.6%), and Rudriika Sharma (97.4%)—set exemplary standards of dedication and academic excellence.

These remarkable results reflect the school's unwavering commitment to holistic learning and academic rigour.

In the foundational years, the introduction of a Holistic Report Card for Pre-primary to Class 2 marked a progressive step towards comprehensive and child-centric assessment, aligned with the principles of the National Education Policy (NEP).

Awards and Recognition

The academic year 2025–26 was marked by significant accolades, underscoring the collective efforts of Team Orbis.

The Orbis School, Mundhwa was ranked 9th in India among co-educational day schools in the prestigious EducationWorld India School Rankings, reflecting its consistent pursuit of excellence.

The Director–Principal, was conferred the Super 30 Inspirational Educators Award 2025 by MIMAMSA, recognising her visionary leadership. Additionally, the school received accolades for Most Impactful Learning Methods and Future-Ready Preschool, further affirming its commitment to innovative education practices.

The school was also honoured at the Eldrok India K–12 Summit for excellence in fostering logical and advanced learning. The award, received by Principal Smita Pendharkar, stands as a recognition of the institution's progressive and future-focused approach to education.

Overall, the year reflects The Orbis School, Mundhwa's steadfast dedication to nurturing excellence, innovation, and values, thereby shaping learners who are prepared to contribute meaningfully to society.

The Orbis School, Mundhwa continues to uphold its steadfast commitment to nurturing critical thinking, innovation, and experiential

learning, reinforcing its mission to truly celebrate learning.

Further adding to its accolades, the school was ranked 1st among the Best CBSE Schools in Pune in the Times School Survey 2025, published on 30th November 2025, with special recognition for excellence in academics.

In yet another remarkable achievement, the school was honoured with the Recognition of International Dimension in Schools (RIDS) award, securing full marks across all evaluation parameters.

Teacher Recognition

Continuing its journey of excellence, The Orbis School, Mundhwa was honoured at the Indian Institute of Hotel Management Teachers' Day Awards 2025, where the Principal received the prestigious Principal Par Excellence recognition for exemplary leadership and commitment to education. The institution also celebrates the achievements of Mrs. Amreen Sabuwala, Mrs. Mukta Singh, and Mrs. Aafreen Siddique, whose dedication and contributions to teaching and learning have been truly commendable.

Further strengthening this culture of recognition, the NEEV Awards were conferred upon the Director–Principal for her visionary leadership that forms the cornerstone of the school's success. The award also recognised Ms. Richa Acharya and Ms. Manisha Tribhuwan for their exceptional contributions and leadership.

Adding to these accomplishments, Ms. Kajol Gidwani was selected as a Master Trainer under the SAFAL initiative, mentoring 25 schools—another milestone reflecting the institution's commitment to educational excellence and capacity building.

Co-Scholastic Achievements

Beyond academics, The Orbis School, Mundhwa has consistently excelled in co-scholastic domains, with students earning accolades in sports, drama, music, debates, poetry, and more.

The annual literary fest OrbiLoqui served as a vibrant platform to showcase students' oratory and literary prowess. A key highlight was the Model United Nations (MUN) segment, designed to train students in structured debate, diplomacy, and global awareness, thereby nurturing confident and articulate young leaders.

OrbiTheatrum provided a stage for every child to explore and express their theatrical talents. Meanwhile, Magical Moments celebrated the youngest learners (ages 2 to 6), where the campus came alive with dance, music, fancy dress, and displays of hidden talents—reflecting confidence, creativity, and joyful learning.

Orbision, the annual science exhibition, adopted an innovative approach this year, integrating science and art through experiential learning. Middle school students explored diverse themes across regions, demonstrating creativity and critical thinking through panel discussions, workshops, puppet shows, exhibits, and cultural performances.

Robotics projects, working models, and eco-friendly handicrafts highlighted teamwork and real-world application of knowledge. The handicraft stalls displayed student creations such as bookmarks, clay pots, posters, paintings, keychains, and handkerchiefs featuring traditional art forms like Madhubani and Pattachitra, all of which were widely appreciated.

Each of these initiatives reaffirmed the belief that learning extends far

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beyond textbooks—thriving instead on collaboration, creativity, and curiosity.

OrbiSports was celebrated as a vibrant platform promoting athletic excellence, ensuring the holistic development of students across physical, mental, and emotional domains.

Aligned with the vision of the National Education Policy 2020, The Orbis School, Mundhwa implemented a thoughtfully curated range of skill-based programmes for Classes 6 to 9. These initiatives seamlessly integrated knowledge with creativity and real-world application. From Coding and Financial Literacy to Safety and Disaster Preparedness, students were equipped with essential life skills. Programmes such as Heritage Studies and Herbal Heritage deepened their connection with culture and nature, while Embroidery and Needlework, Media Literacy, and Graphic Novel creation nurtured artistic expression and communication skills—shaping confident and future-ready learners.

The Rotary Club Installation Ceremony was a memorable occasion that inspired young Orbians to embrace leadership and service, setting the tone for a year of meaningful initiatives. Students also actively participated in inter-house competitions and CBSE-led initiatives such as the Veergatha Project, Swachhata Abhiyan, and Pariksha Pe Charcha, reflecting awareness, responsibility, and active citizenship.

Inter-School Achievements and Competitions

Students of The Orbis School, Mundhwa continued to distinguish themselves at city, state, national, and international levels, showcasing excellence in academics, innovation, and co-curricular pursuits.

At the AI Builders' Cup 2025, Arsh Shrestha, Aahana Bansal, and Harshita Namdev of Class 10 secured First Prize along with a cash award of 10,000 for their AI-powered game "Trojan Hexes," which was recognised for its creativity and effective use of modern tools.

Arsh Shrestha and Sarvadnya Mahajan of Class 10 further brought laurels to the school by securing First Position in Web Weave, a coding competition held during Eunoia 2025. They also achieved Second Prize in the UI Spark with Python category at an inter-school competition hosted by Sanskruti School Pune.

The student-led project "E-Waste Warriors" earned wide appreciation at the World Robotics Olympiad Regional Championship held at the Nehru Science Centre, where the team was awarded the prestigious Silver Badge for presenting an innovative and sustainable solution to electronic waste management. The project was presented by Oishik Ghosh of Class 10, along with Aaradhya Kulkarni and Arthav Naik of Class 9.

At the Cyber Genius Competition, Maneet Desai and Vihan Kulkarni of Class 7 secured First Place and won the Gold Medal in the IT Quiz category. At the same event, Akshat Poras and Advik Jain of Class 9 earned the Second Runner-Up position in the Innovative Start-up Idea Competition, with their idea being appreciated for originality and innovation.

In the inter-school Roborampage competition organised by The Kalyani School Pune, Vihaan Kulkarni (Class 7), Kavin Bhoge (Class 8), and Arthav Naik (Class 9) secured Third Position in the second category, demonstrating commendable technical expertise and teamwork.

Participation in MUN and MIRAKI competitions further reflected the students' excellence in leadership, diplomacy, and public speaking. Their performances earned multiple recognitions, including Verbal Mentions, High Commendations, Special Mentions, and the prestigious Best

Delegate award.

In the Science Talent Search Competition, Sahil Pradhan and Sachit Gupta of Class 9 successfully cleared the theory round of the Dr Homi Bhabha Balvaidnyanik Competition and advanced to the next stage.

In the Hindi Olympiad Foundation International Hindi Olympiad, several students from Classes 3 to 9 were awarded Gold Medals, reflecting their linguistic proficiency and academic excellence.

Yugandhar Thorat of Class 7 secured a Gold Medal at the BrainOBrain Abacus Competition, while Aarya Nalawade of Class 7 achieved a perfect score of 100/100 in the Ramanujan National Mathematics Challenge.

A moment of immense pride for the institution was the exceptional achievement of Hartej Deepak Nayar of Class 12, who represented India at the Asian Maths Olympiad 2025 held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He secured the Gold Medal, Highest Scorer Award, and Champion Trophy, marking a remarkable international accomplishment.

Performing Arts Achievements

The Orbis School, Mundhwa also celebrated success in the performing arts, with students securing Second Prize in the Inter-School Group Dance Competition – Tapdiya Karandak 2026, organised by Maheshwari Vidya Pracharak Mandal. Competing in the Small Group category (Std. 1 to 4), the team's achievement reflected dedication, discipline, and artistic excellence. The same group delivered a graceful and energetic performance, showcasing their talent and passion once again.

Singing Achievement

Shreenidhi Pathak of Class 2 brought laurels to The Orbis School, Mundhwa by securing 1st place at the national-level Aradhana Classical Singing Competition, organised by the Heritage Foundation of Art and Culture India. Aaradhya Kulkarni of Class 9 also showcased commendable talent, securing the 17th rank in the same competition, which witnessed participation from 90 schools across 31 cities in India.

Further strengthening the school's legacy in music, students from Classes 6 to 10 delivered an outstanding performance at the inter-school Patriotic Song Competition organised by the YMCA, securing First Place among 23 participating schools. The team was awarded a cash prize of 5,000, along with a trophy and certificates. The same team also earned the Consolation Prize at the Patriotic Song Competition organised by Lokmat, Pune. These achievements reflected exceptional teamwork, dedication, and musical excellence.

In the field of public speaking, Reya Sahu of Class 7 (Rigel) secured 2nd place at the prestigious Leo's Li'l Speechmasters Season 10, marking a significant accomplishment in oratory skills.

Sports Achievements

The school's students demonstrated remarkable sporting excellence across various disciplines.

In skating, students delivered an impressive performance at the interschool competition held at SNBP School Pune. Gold medals were secured by Sanskrit Rai (Class 5), Renil Keshari (Class 7), and Adithya Bharath (Class 8). Silver medals were won by Shourya Chaudhari (Class 4), Suvan Phulwale (Class 6), and Advait Patel (Class 7), while Monish Bagal (Class 7) earned a bronze medal.

Shourya Chaudhari of Class 4 further achieved distinction by winning a Gold Medal at the GOAP Open District Skating Competition. In a remarkable tribute to the Indian Armed Forces, he completed a continuous 79-minute skating salute under Operation Sindoor on the

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occasion of the 79th Independence Day. This feat was registered as part of three world record attempts with United India World Record, Union World Record, and Amazing World Record, reflecting extraordinary dedication and patriotism.

At the 13th RGOI National Roller Skating Championship organised by the Rural Games Organization of India, Sanskrit Rai secured a Silver Medal in the long race category and a Bronze Medal in the short race inline category.

In martial arts, Archit Kotwal of Class 8 represented the school at the Golden Belt Karate Competition and won a Gold Medal. Shambhavi Kulkarni of Class 5 earned a Silver Medal at the Open National Taekwondo Championship 2025 held in Kharadi.

In basketball, the Under-14 Girls' Team secured the 1st Runner-Up position at the SNBP International School Basketball Tournament, demonstrating exceptional teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the tournament.

In football, Anav Jain of Class 3 led his team to victory at the Pune Football Fiesta (U-9 category) and was awarded the Best Player of the Tournament. The U-17 Boys' Football Team of The Orbis School, Mundhwa finished as Runner-Up at the OrbiCup, reflecting strong determination and teamwork. The U-17 Girls' Football Team also achieved Runner-Up position at the All India CBSE Football Tournament held in Mumbai, marking a significant accomplishment at the national level.

NCC Achievements

The school's National Cadet Corps (NCC) unit recorded a year of commendable progress and achievement. In its second year, the unit expanded its training and participation, with 100 cadets from the Army Wing (Signals).

At the NCC camp held at the NCC Headquarters in Pune, the cadets were adjudged the Best Institute among 50 participating schools. This recognition was based on their discipline, coordination, turnout, performance, and unity—hallmarks of their dedication and teamwork.

The cadets also excelled in multiple individual and group events, including singing, firing and shooting, tug-of-war, communication skills, and rock climbing. In the Individual Singing category, cadets Prisha Magare, Rimsha Sinha, Sahil Pradhan, and Theeran Sharma secured Gold Medals. In the Individual Firing and Shooting Competition, cadets Neha Shinde, Navya Jain, Sahil Pradhan, and Theeran Sharma also won Gold Medals, contributing significantly to the unit's overall success.

These accomplishments collectively highlight The Orbis School, Mundhwa's commitment to nurturing talent, discipline, leadership, and excellence across all domains.

Further elevating the school's success, Cadet Prerna Mane distinguished herself by securing a Gold Medal in Camp 2 and being adjudged the Best Shooter among 332 participants, showcasing exceptional precision, focus, and composure.

In the Tug of War event, the NCC cadets displayed remarkable strength, coordination, and team spirit, earning Silver Medals. The medal-winning cadets included Sanvi Singbal, Suhani Memon, Rutika Mone, Arya Deshpande, Prisha Magare, Aayush Pardi, Theeran Sharma, Adwait Darwade, Aaghaaz Shaikh, and Amarsh Jain.

In the Communication Skills Competition, Cadet Sachit Gupta secured Second Place along with a Silver Medal among 40 participants, reflecting strong articulation and confidence.

Adding to these achievements, Cadet Enosh Batra brought immense pride to the institution by securing First Place and a Gold Medal at the Rock Climbing Camp held in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh. Representing the 2 Maharashtra

Battalion, he emerged victorious among nearly 250 cadets, demonstrating courage, endurance, and determination.

In another significant accomplishment, Cadet Saurvi Raina was selected for the NCC Pre-Republic Day Camp (Pre-RDC), a preparatory stage of the prestigious Republic Day Parade India selection process. She actively participated in the cultural segment, showcasing her talent in dance.

These achievements gain even greater significance as they were accomplished in competition with NCC cadets from various schools and institutions. The Orbis School, Mundhwa proudly acknowledges the dedication, discipline, and perseverance of its cadets and instructors, and looks forward to many more milestones in the years ahead.

Student Council Leadership: Upholding its long-standing tradition, The Orbis School, Mundhwa successfully conducted the Investiture Ceremony, reinforcing the spirit of student leadership and responsibility.

The Junior Council members—Swar Shah, Avanti Morale, Bhumit Chandak, and Tanirika Suresh—demonstrated exceptional leadership and teamwork, earning recognition for their dedication and commitment.

The Senior Student Council also played a pivotal role by providing guidance and mentorship, exemplifying maturity and responsibility. Their efforts in upholding the school's values and setting high standards have established a strong benchmark for student leadership within the institution.

Continuous Learning Focus The Orbis School places strong emphasis on continuous learning for both students and staff. Throughout the year, educators participated in in-house workshops and Professional Development Training programmes to stay aligned with evolving educational practices.

Teachers also attended CBSE Centre of Excellence workshops to further enhance their professional competencies. In addition, wellness and awareness sessions, including menopause and CPR sensitisation programmes, were conducted to support the overall well-being of the faculty.

Student Well-being and Life Skills Workshops (Classes 1-10)

A variety of age-appropriate workshops were conducted for students from Classes 1 to 10, focusing on life skills and personal development. Students also participated in creative learning experiences such as storytelling sessions, educational visits to bookstores, and workshops conducted by international institutions like the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD).

The 6th Indo Global University Fair provided students with valuable exposure to higher education opportunities, enabling interaction with leading universities from India and abroad.

Through the EUMIND Programme, students collaborated with Collège Alexandre Monnet, engaging in cross-cultural discussions on topics such as globalisation, tourism, architecture, and literature, fostering global awareness and critical thinking.

As part of TEDx at Orbis, students presented their ideas on the theme "A Quiet Revolution." Their insightful talks reflected confidence, originality, and depth of thought, highlighting the school's focus on nurturing articulate and socially aware individuals.

Educational excursions

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To promote experiential learning, students from Pre-Primary to Class 12 participated in a wide range of educational excursions. These included visits to institutions and sites such as the National Defence Academy, IISER, College of Military Engineering, Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park, Deccan College, and various museums, farms, and research centres.

These experiences provided meaningful real-world exposure and enriched classroom learning.

The school actively fostered a culture of compassion and responsibility through various initiatives. Students participated in E-waste and plastic collection drives, contributing to environmental sustainability.

The Nature Club's composting initiative transformed organic waste into nutrient-rich compost, raising funds while promoting eco-friendly practices and awareness.

Social awareness programmes were conducted, where senior students educated younger learners about hygiene and environmental responsibility.

The OrbiRun initiative, organised in collaboration with the Rotary Club, promoted fitness and service. Funds raised were donated to Anjuman Islam School to support educational infrastructure.

These initiatives collectively nurtured empathy, social awareness, and active citizenship among students.

Co-curricular Clubs

The Interact Club, in association with the Rotary Club of Poona Airport, conducted several community service and awareness activities to promote social responsibility among students. Students visited a Zilla Parishad School, a Blind School, Old Age Homes, Orphanages, and a Missionary School, gaining valuable insights into the lives of different sections of society. An art competition was also organised in collaboration with an NGO school to encourage creativity.

The club further conducted initiatives such as a Helmet Drive, No Parking Drive, E-Waste Collection, and Old Newspaper Collection Drives, promoting safety, kindness, and environmental awareness. These initiatives helped students develop compassion, leadership, and a strong sense of service towards society.

The Each One Teach One Club offers adult literacy programs for the school's support staff in collaboration with the Rotary Club and Diksha. As part of this initiative, students—Anagha Roy, Avijit Shukla, Kritika Sharma, Chirumamilla Sai Ramej, Nikita Reddy, Urshita Sanshe, Kavya Rautela, Prisha Magare, Sadhya Watal, Pahal Lokesh, Aarohi Jha, Akshat Poras, Advik Jain, Avishkar Kale, Srishti Pradhan, Umamah Khan, Riddhi Jain, Sachit Gupta, Aaghaz Shaikh, and Abhishek Choudhary—took the lead in conducting literacy classes. Through their efforts, they embodied the values of empathy, responsibility, leadership, and the true spirit of service through teaching.

Through their dedicated participation, Mrs. Pallavi Khopde, Mrs. Shital Shinde, Mrs. Sita Singare, Mrs. Sharadha Lonkar, Mrs. Kalinda Waghmare, and Mrs. Sumitra Izare successfully completed the programme and were awarded certificates by Central Board of Secondary Education, marking a significant milestone in their learning journey. This initiative stands as a powerful testament to the school's commitment to inclusive education, social empowerment, and lifelong learning, while nurturing socially responsible citizens of tomorrow.

School Enterprise Challenge

As part of the School Enterprise Club initiatives, students organised food and product sales, including pizza puffs, chocolate squares, Harry

Potter-themed accessories, mandala artwork, pens, and highlighters. These activities generated a profit of 2,000–3,000, showcasing students' entrepreneurial skills, financial literacy, creativity, and teamwork.

Cubs and Bulbuls

At the school, the Cubs and Bulbuls conducted camps aimed at providing holistic development, nurturing leadership qualities, social skills, and a sense of responsibility in a joyful and stress-free environment. Together, these programs reinforce the school's commitment to shaping confident, responsible, and service-oriented individuals.

Safety and Well-being

The school ensures a safe and secure environment through continuous efforts. The School Safety and Disaster Management Committee meets regularly to maintain preparedness. Advanced fire-extinguishing units have been installed, and all classrooms and activity zones are under CCTV surveillance. Regular fire evacuation drills are conducted, with vigilance maintained by the core team and security personnel, ensuring a proactive approach to safety.

Partners in the Journey

Parents play a vital role in strengthening the school community and supporting the holistic development of students. Their active participation, reflected in a 95% presence in PTMs, workshops, and cultural events such as Orbitheatrum, serves as both guidance and inspiration for students.

Their enthusiasm during Sports Day contributes to making it a grand celebration, while their involvement in hands-on activities such as hat-making and creative events brings joy and experiential learning to life. Their contribution remains invaluable in making the school journey meaningful and memorable.

The school continues to inspire every learner to move forward with determination, strive for excellence, and embrace the joy of lifelong learning. Echoing the vision of Indira Gandhi, who believed that education provides vision and organisation gives direction, the school remains committed to nurturing young minds and building a progressive future.