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## From the Principal's Desk

**Spring's Awakening: Exploring the Connection Between Seasonal Change and Behavioural Transformation**

As the chill of winter gradually gives way to the warmth of spring, nature undergoes a miraculous transformation. But it's not just the external world that experiences a rejuvenation during this season – the onset of spring has a profound impact on our behavioural changes, values, and morals. Let us delve into the intriguing connection between the changing seasons and the evolution of our inner selves.

Revealing its lively array, spring not only presents a spectrum of colours but also inspires a revitalised sense of energy and positivity. The blooming flowers and extended daylight exposure enhance sunlight intake, prompting the production of serotonin, known as the 'feel-good' hormone. This surge in positivity uplifts moods, leading individuals towards acts of kindness, generosity, and optimism. Spring, emblematic of nature's renewal and growth, serves as a metaphor for personal development and advancement in our own lives.

The blooming flowers and budding trees inspire a desire for self-improvement, goal-setting, and positive changes in various aspects. Moreover, the awakening of spring strengthens our connection to the natural world, fostering a heightened appreciation for the environment and a commitment to eco-friendly practices. Cultural and spiritual celebrations during this season emphasise themes of rebirth and new beginnings, deepening a sense of community and shared values. The warmer weather and longer days encourage increased social interaction, promoting a sense of community, empathy, and social responsibility.

As people spend more time outdoors, cooperation and understanding thrive, contributing to a shared sense of purpose. Finally, spring's arrival prompts reflection on the cyclical nature of existence, cultivating gratitude as individuals appreciate the small joys and experiences that enhance overall well-being. In essence, spring acts as a transformative force, aligning our inner selves with the positive and harmonious spirit of nature's awakening.

One notable example is William Wordsworth, a renowned English poet. In his poem 'Lines Written in Early Spring,' Wordsworth reflects on the rejuvenating effects of the season, suggesting a connection between the beauty of nature and the inner transformation of the human spirit:

"Through primrose tufts, in that green bower,  
The periwinkle trailed its wreaths,  
And 'tis my faith that every flower  
Enjoys the air it breathes."

These lines convey the idea that the sights and sounds of spring can inspire a sense of joy and renewal in individuals, leading to a transformation in their outlook on life. Similarly, other poets and authors have explored similar themes, highlighting the profound impact of the natural world on human behaviour and emotions during the spring season.

In the fabric of existence, the arrival of spring unfolds like a thread intricately intertwining our shifts in behaviour, values, and morals. The impact of this season transcends the physical realm, reaching into the core of our being. Observing nature's revival, we are encouraged to welcome the chance for our rejuvenation, development, and revival of values that foster a more compassionate, positive, and harmonious world. Spring, with its transformative influence, urges us to harmonise our inner selves with the lively essence of nature's awakening.

Farida Harianawala, Principal Orbis 1



## Big News!

### Mr. Razi Faquih: Illuminating Paths of Excellence in Education

Mr. Razi Faquih, our esteemed President and Founder, has been recognized in Education Today magazine for his exceptional leadership. He has consistently illuminated our path, offering guidance and inspiration through every challenge and triumph. Mr. Faquih's presence has not only been a guiding light for many but also a source of inspiration for all young minds within our school community. Teachers eagerly anticipate his words, as they serve as an encouragement to strive for excellence in all endeavours. His unwavering support has been a cornerstone of our strength, fostering an environment where students and staff alike can thrive. Endowed with boundless energy, Mr. Faquih approaches every task with zeal and determination. His vision for our school is nothing short of transformative; he aspires to cultivate an institution where each individual's journey from childhood to adolescence is marked by joy and meaningful growth. Through his leadership, our school aims to become a beacon of success, nurturing the aspirations of young professionals and entrepreneurs alike. Together, we look forward to the continued growth and success of both our organisation and our beloved founder, Mr. Razi Faquih.



## Orbitria (3rd February)

The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, celebrated its Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony, Orbitria with great pomp and grandeur. The head of the institution delivered the Annual Report of the school, followed by the acknowledgement and prize distribution ceremony which honoured students who have excelled in both academic and co-curricular activities. The Orbis School choir presented the acapella and filled the air with melodious tunes. The staff members, including teachers and support staff, were recognized for their outstanding dedication and contribution. CBSE toppers of Classes 10 and 12 for the academic year 2022-'23 were awarded certificates and medals. The next category of co-scholastic achievements, Individual Colours, were presented to the students who participated in competitions at district levels or higher. The most deserving House was handed over the much coveted House Trophy as a testament to the collective efforts and achievements of the students and teachers for their respective Houses.

The cultural presentation, RituSanhar or the Pageant of Seasons, was an ode to the great poet and playwright, Mahakavi Kalidasa, which transformed the stage into a mesmerising spectacle. Finally, Student of the Year and the Orb of Fame were announced. Overall, Orbitria served as a platform to celebrate the achievements, talents and aspirations of students. The event motivated students to strive for greatness and reinforced the importance of perseverance, discipline and teamwork in achieving success.

**Anahita Ray, Student 11 Deneb**



## Flavours from our Orchard

### Living and Non-Living Things (5th February - 9th February)

To explore and understand the concept of living and non-living things, several well-planned activities were conducted for our Kindergarteners. The tiny tots of the Nursery enjoyed the collage-making activity and walk-in nature, where they closely observed examples from the environment. Jr. Kindergarten and Sr. Kindergarten children were involved in many activities such as sorting and colouring the pictures of living and non-living beings which helped them distinguish between the two.

**Arpita Dubey, CT Nursery Apple**



### Pre-Primary Orbisports (9th February)

Sports Day is not just about competing, It is about promoting a healthy lifestyle and the spirit of sportsmanship. Our young participants engaged in various physical activities. The sporting extravaganza commenced with the release of balloons in the air. The little Orbians enthusiastically participated in well-rehearsed mass physical training with interesting props such as noodles and hoopla rings and excellent coordination and teamwork. The Sr. Kindergarten students displayed self-defence techniques in Karate and made beautiful pyramids to exhibit physical strength and balance. The Kindergartners were all charged and enthusiastically participated in interesting races such as the Through and Through I Go, Pick Throw and Jump, Slow Slow and Fast and Happy Hoops. The winners were awarded medals and certificates and the parents participated wholeheartedly with great vigour and excitement. It was exhilarating to watch the little ones cheer for their parents. It was indeed an exciting and fun-filled day!

**Uttama Purohit, CT Sr. Kindergarten Mango**



## Fitness First (19th February - 23rd February)

Physical activity is crucial to children's growth and development, impacting their physical, mental and emotional well-being. This month we planned various fitness activities with our little Orbians to keep active and fit. Children enjoyed the mass physical exercises. During circle time, teachers shared the importance of physical activities as per our fitness goals. The importance of indoor and outdoor games was also discussed in class. The Pre-Primary children were engaged in many interesting games. Nursery children displayed their learning through show and tell, The Jr. Kindergarten children enjoyed playing Basketball, Snakes, and Ladder during outdoor playtime and Pictionary in the classroom. Sr. Kindergarten children were engaged in block play and happily played dodgeball and Kho-Kho with their friends. It was indeed a fun and playful week.

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



## Thinkroom Day (21st February)

We commemorate Thinkroom Day at the Orbis School, extending our learning journey beyond the end of the academic year. Through Chrysalis's curriculum, which emphasises various objectives, students engage in a range of activities. Pre-Primary students engaged in discussions about community helpers and how to tidy up our surroundings, and traditions of different states. The event showcased their confidence and adeptness in public speaking, as they effortlessly dramatised all the concepts. As the year's work culminated, students exhibited boundless enthusiasm and are now ready to embrace new challenges with vibrant energy as they graduate to a higher class.

**Meenu Sharma, CT Sr. Kindergarten Orange**

## Public Places (26th February- 1st March)

The little Orbians were taught about the importance of keeping public places clean and they were told about the importance of being safe while visiting a public place. As each place has certain rules that we need to follow, so do public spaces. The Kindergarteners learned about speaking softly in a hospital and being quiet in a library. Fun and engaging activities were conducted for the Nursery tiny tots and the Jr. Kindergarten, while the Sr. Kindergarten children were shown relevant videos about these areas. A fun week with a lot of new learnings.

**Hufrish Dutt, CT Sr. Kindergarten Apple**



## Graduation Day (6th March)

Graduation day is a special occasion marking the culmination of the preschool years and the commencement of a new chapter. The Orbians were very excited and looked dignified in their graduation caps. Witnessing their confidence and sense of independence brought immense joy to each teacher.

The ceremony included a special presentation showcasing memorable moments of the children's activities, accompanied by heartfelt messages from the teachers. Additionally, a designated Photo Booth was arranged for parents to capture cherished memories of this significant day.

As the day concluded, it symbolised the end of a delightful journey filled with fun and educational milestones.

**Meenu Sharma, CT Sr. Kindergarten Orange**





### Thanksgiving Week (4th March - 12th March)

The fun-filled rollercoaster journey of this academic year has almost come to an end. We celebrated learning through activities such as arts and crafts, show and tell field trips, and some main events like the Orbiloqui, Orbitheatrum, Orbisports, and Thinkroom. The Pre-Primary students expressed their gratitude by making beautiful thank-you cards for the teaching staff and the maushis and kakas who received them with a lot of appreciation.

**Alina Salim, CT Jr. Kindergarten Apple**



### I Know More, I Grow More

#### Martyr's Day (30th January)

The Orbis School Keshav Nagar, observed Martyr's Day to mark the death anniversary of the Father of our Nation, Gandhiji and to honour the brave martyrs who laid their lives for the country. Teachers shared the significance of the day with the students and the entire school observed two minutes of silence. To solemnise this important day, Bapuji's favourite songs were sung.

**Renu Laharia, CT4 Sirius**



#### Blessing Ceremony (30th January)

The students of Class 9 and the teachers showered the students of Class 10 with their best wishes and blessings through a beautifully planned Blessing Ceremony. Teachers expressed their joy through words on their pride in them while the Class 9 students presented a skit based on the theme, 'Superheroes'. The skit, Marvel Superheroes and Disney Princesses was based on the powers of being united and together and the joys of friendship. A beautifully created video displayed pictures taken over the years which brought tears to many eyes. The seniors then shared anecdotes of memorable moments spent in school and how much they would miss the days spent here. The atmosphere changed to a happier tune when the talented singers of Class 9 stepped onto the stage. It was a day filled with warmth and nostalgia reminiscing about cherished memories. We wish them continued success and fulfilment in all their future endeavours.

**Shaurya Singh, Student 9 Vega**



#### Thinkroom Day (5th February - 7th February)

The primary classes of the Orbis School were agog with the upcoming events. Thinkroom Day and the Orbision! These days were celebrated across Classes 3 to 5 over three days. It was that time of the year when we, as students, got a chance to transfer our theoretical knowledge into practice. Each student participated with great zeal to make it a success and they were days of immense learning for all. The visiting classes gained insight into various concepts and enjoyed the quiz along with the displays. The participating classes transformed their classrooms into hubs of scientific exploration.

**Deepdarsh Kadam, Student 5 Sirius**





## Robotics Challenge (14th February)

The Robotics Challenge was an outstanding activity for the students of Classes 4 and 5. Students showcased their talents by making and coding programs to perform tasks like navigating obstacles, calculating numbers, storytelling and solving puzzles. The event fostered teamwork, critical thinking and problem-solving skills among the students. It was a fun way to learn about science and technology. Overall, the Robotics Challenge was an inspiring demonstration of talent and a testament to the bright future of STEM( Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education in our school.

**Anuja Jain, CT 4 Antares**



## 'Desh Ki Mitti' - CBSE Activity (15th February)

इस देश की मिट्टी में कुछ अलग ही बात है,  
जो इतनी कठिनाइयों के बावजूद हमेशा महान आत्माओं की भूमि रही है  
- सरदार बल्लभ भाई पटेल

In appreciation of our great country and motherland, students of Classes 3-5 pledged to work for the well-being and growth of India. The students expressed gratitude for being born on such fertile and rich land. Each one held a fistful of Indian soil and promised to respect it by working hard and always walking on the path of honesty.

**Rajashri Roy Das, CT 3 Rigel**



## Final Examination Begins (22nd February)

The Annual Assessment for the year 2023-24 for Classes 1 to 9 commenced with good preparedness. The pre-examination jitters quickly vanished amongst the students when they saw the first paper. Teachers guided the students on time management during exams and ways to combat stress. The students got into momentum and took each test with confidence.

**Nidhi Paul, CT 6 Sirius**



## Marathi Diwas (23rd February)

कुसुमाग्रज म्हणून ओळखले जाणारे प्रसिद्ध मराठी कवी आणि लेखक श्री विष्णू वामन शिरवाडकर यांच्या जयंतीनिमित्त दरवर्षी २७ फेब्रुवारी हा दिवस 'मराठी भाषा दिवस' म्हणून पूर्ण महाराष्ट्रात साजरा केला जातो. मराठी ही आपली मायबोली. आपल्या महाराष्ट्र राज्याची राज्यभाषा. या मराठी भाषेचा गौरव करण्यासाठी तसेच मराठीचे माहात्म्य जपण्यासाठी हा दिवस मराठी भाषा गौरव दिन म्हणूनही साजरा केला जातो. हा दिवस 'दि ऑर्बिस स्कूल' च्या पहिली आणि दुसरीच्या विद्यार्थ्यांनी खूप उत्साहाने साजरा केला. या लहान वर्गाने त्यांच्या विशेष परिपाठात कविता, नाटक आणि गाणी असे विविध कार्यक्रम सादर केले. आपली मराठी भाषा अशीच चिरंतर जिवंत राहावी म्हणून हा दिवस सर्वजण आनंदाने साजरा करतात.

**Sheetal Bhosale, ST Marathi**



## Year End Break and New Session Begins (12th, 18th March)

After the Final Examination, students of all classes looked forward to the summer break for some fun and relaxation. The last day of the academic session was 12th March. Students of the Board classes, Grades 10 and 12, rejoined on the 18th of March for the extra classes which were conducted online. Extra classes are planned as a headstart to avoid stress at the end of the year thereby giving students enough revision time.

## Impressions and Expressions



### Jaggery

I love Jaggery.  
It has such a wonderful taste and smells so good.  
It is sweet and healthy too.  
So much better than sugar.

Have it the way you like it.

Jaggery powder, jaggery blocks, jaggery liquid.

Made from sugar cane juice

Grown abundantly in India

Especially Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh.

I love to eat chikkis, laddos and other sweets made from jaggery.

I love jaggery

It is sweet and healthy too!

**Anshika Singh, Student 3 Vega**



### आजाद हुआ था हमारा भारत।

आजाद हुआ था हमारा भारत अग्रस्त की वह पंद्रह तारीक को अपने पैरों में जकड़ी हुई बेड़ियों को अपने आत्मविश्वास दम पर तोड़कर अंग्रेजों के अत्याचारों से मुक्त होकर पहली बार लहराया था हमारी धरती पर हमारा तिरंगा तब एहसास हुआ था अस्तित्व हमारा।

पहली बार दुनिया ने देखा था एक नया भारत . मज्जुबूत, सक्षम, संपूर्ण अपने स्वयं के पैरों पर खड़ा भारत।

लेकिन, जैसे किसी भी नौजवान को जीवन के कठिन रास्तों को भाँपने के लिए माता- पिता की सहूलियत चाहिए उसी तरह इस भारत को भी एक पिता की जरूरत थी।

उस 26 जनवरी को इस नौजवान को राह दिखाने के लिए इसकी उड़ान को वापस लौटाने के लिए इस सोने की चिडीया, के कटे पंखों को वापस लाने के लिए भारत के संविधान का जन्म हुआ और भारत एक गणतंत्र बन

**Shaurya Sheth, Student 9 Deneb**



### गर्मी का मौसम

गर्मी का मौसम जिसे ग्रीष्म ऋतु भी कहते है, साल का सबसे गर्म मौसम होता है। इस मौसम में दिन बड़े और रातें छोटी होती हैं। यह मौसम अप्रैल में शुरू होकर जुलाई तक रहता है। इस मौसम में लोग मीठे-मीठे आम, रसीली लीची और आइस्क्रीम खाना पसंद करते हैं। इसके अलावा कई प्रकार के शरबतों का प्रयोग भी शरीर को ठंडा रखने के लिए करते हैं। इस मौसम में पड़ने वाली धूप से बचने के लिए लोग अपने घरों में कूलर, पंखे और एअर कंडीशनर लगाते हैं।

ग्रीष्म ऋतु में लोग ज्यादातर हल्के रंग के सूती कपड़े पहनते हैं। इस मौसम में नदियों, तालाबों और झीलों का पानी सूख जाता है। हम सभी को इस मौसम में अपना अधिक ध्यान रखना चाहिए तथा ज्यादा से ज्यादा पानी का सेवन करना चाहिए।

**Saachi Verma, Student 5 Deneb**

## Club of the month

### Quiz Club

Friends, I would like to share my experience with the CCA Quiz Club, where we make learning fun. In this Club, every Tuesday during the CCA period, an Inter-House Quiz is conducted on subjects such as English, Social Science, Science, GK and ICT. Participants are encouraged to work as a team in a disciplined manner and learn about various topics through healthy competition. The culmination of the Quiz Club took place on the school grounds. This event showcased weeks of preparation and dedication by the participants and our mentors. During the culmination, an Inter-House Quiz was conducted with two rounds. Each round featured a mix of questions ranging from general knowledge to various subjects. The culmination of the Quiz Club provided a platform for friendly competition, promoted a love for learning across diverse subjects and fostered intellectual engagement and teamwork.

**Shiv Goyal, Student 4 Deneb**

### CCA Club Culmination (5th February)

The CCA Culmination for Classes 3-5 was a celebration of the skills picked by the students throughout the year in their Co-Curricular Clubs. The event was a showcase of the various Clubs, which included Gymnastics, Quiz, Needlework, Public Speaking, Dance, Music and Fine Arts. Each club put up a unique and impressive display. Everyone was impressed by the students' presentations, which demonstrated their commitment and hard work. Eager to learn new skills and join a new club, they anxiously await the start of the new academic session.

**Neelima Kotriker, CT 5 Deneb**



### Lasting Long

They don't last long  
But until they do,  
You make them  
worth all.  
Once they're gone,  
I turn my playlist on  
And cry and sing

along.

But what if it was all different?  
What if you were meant to stay?  
What if you had said sorry?  
What if you never ignored me?  
Today we would have been okay.  
**Unnati Chari, Student 9 Sirius**



### छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराज

छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराज हे महान भारतीय राजे होते. महाराजांचा जन्म १९ फेब्रुवारी १६३० रोजी शिवनेरी किल्ल्यावर झाला. त्यांच्या वडिलांचे नाव शहाजी भोसले होते आणि त्यांच्या आईचे नाव जिजाबाई

होते. शिवाजी महाराज सर्व धर्मांचा आदर करायचे. तसेच त्यांना स्त्रियांबद्दल ही खूप आदर होता. मग ती स्री कोणत्याही धर्माची असो. १६७४ मध्ये रायगड येथे महाराजांचा राज्याभिषेक झाला आणि ते मराठा साम्राज्याचे छत्रपती झाले. छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांनी महाराष्ट्रात स्वराज्य निर्माण केले. छत्रपती शिवाजी महाराजांचे आपल्या देशावर फार प्रेम होते. अशा ह्या थोर महाराजांचा मृत्यू ३ एप्रिल १६८० रोजी झाला.

**Anvi Shukla, Student 3 Vega**



## CCA Drama Club Culmination (16th February)

The Dramatics Club provides a platform for students where they can express themselves creatively, build self-confidence, enhance their imagination, work on their communication skills and develop acting skills. It emphasises the introduction and the basic elements of drama. Students enthusiastically participated in the practice sessions. The Dramatics Club, for the academic year 2023-24, culminated with wonderful performances by the students of Classes 1 and 2. Students beautifully enacted during the final display, in English as well as in Hindi.

**Sheetal Deorukhkar, CT 1 Rigel**



## Special Assemblies

### Marathi Assembly (16th February)

"माझ्या माय मराठीचा  
लावा ललाटास टिळा  
हिच्या संगाने जागल्या  
दऱ्याखोऱ्यातील शिळा"

मराठी भाषेचा गौरव करणाऱ्या या ओळी, लिहिल्या आहेत ' कुसुमाग्रज ' यांनी. कुसुमाग्रज यांनी देशपातळीवर मराठीचा झेंडा फडकवण्यासाठी खूप काम केले होते. त्यांनी केलेल्या संघर्षाला आणि त्यांच्या दर्जेदार कलाकृतींना अभिवादन करण्यासाठी त्यांच्या जन्मदिवशी म्हणजेच '२७ फेब्रुवारी' रोजी 'मराठी भाषा दिन' साजरा केला जातो. १६ फेब्रुवारी दिवशी 'दि ऑर्बिस स्कूल, केशवनगर - शाळेतील पाचवीतील विद्यार्थ्यांनी विशेष परिपाठ मध्ये 'मराठी भाषा दिन' साजरा केला. या परिपाठात मुलांनी काव्यवाचन, नाटक, तसेच नृत्य सादर केले. कुसुमाग्रज म्हणजेच वि वा शिरवाडकर यांचे मराठी साहित्यासाठी दिलेले योगदान यावरही प्रकाश टाकला. या परिपाठातून मुलांना 'मराठी' भाषेचे महत्त्व समजले.

**Damayanti Shinde, Marathi Teacher**

### Last Assembly of the Session (16th February)

Class 6 Vega conducted a dynamic school assembly which centred around the theme of ingenuity. The highlight of the assembly was a captivating skit that showcased and demonstrated various practical, studying techniques and tips ranging from making charts to solving quizzes for easy learning. The importance of time management, regular revisions and group study were also spoken about. This was followed by harmonious melodies sung by the school choir. The assembly left a lasting impact, inspiring each one to embrace innovation and creativity in academic pursuits.

**Nidhi Paul, CT 6 Sirius**

Club Incharge as per the given sequence:

	Class 1-2	Class 3-5	Class 6-9
April	-	Storytelling/Public Speaking Club	Fine Arts Club
June	Etiquette		Quiz
July	-	Craft Club	Music - Instrumental Club
Aug	-	Gymnastics (Only for Class 4)	Dance
Sept	Craft	Reading Club	Interact ( Only for classes 7-9)
Oct	-		Enterprise Club (7-9)
Nov	Quiz	Music - Vocal Club	Archery/IT
Dec	-	Athletics	Debate/Public Speaking Club
Jan	-	-	Heritage/Disaster/Safety
Feb	-	Quiz	Athletics/Each one Teaches one
Mar	Drama	Scouts and Guides	Needlework



## Our Green Ways

### Bioindicators in the Environment

Bioindicators are living organisms that help scientists screen the health of the natural ecosystem in the environment. Indicator species are important as they can signal changes in biological conditions and thus may be used as a proxy to diagnose the health of an ecosystem. Bio indicators include plants, animals and microorganisms. For example, lichen indicates air quality, certain fish species indicate water quality, and bacteria and algae indicate overall ecosystem health. By observing the morphophysiological changes (changes in physical appearance, behaviour or physiological processes) these indicators exhibit in response to varying environmental conditions, scientists can make informed decisions about conservation efforts and ecosystem management.

*Pritika Shrivastava, Student 9 Rigel*



## I did it



Congratulations to Geet Ajay Lunkad from Class 10 Vega for being the Youngest Referee at the 2nd Open National Taekwondo Championship held at the R. B. Horangee Taekwondo Do-Jang Association. May you bring many more laurels in the future.



We take this opportunity to congratulate Juee Pande of Class 2 Antares, for securing the bronze medal in the Shot Put category at the Magarpatta Sports Festival. We wish her many more feathers of success in the coming years!



With immense pride, we congratulate Kohav Choudhary of Class 4 Sirius for winning two Gold medals in the 500m and 1000m races at the Mini District Roller Skating Championship - 2024. We wish him many more achievements in the journey ahead.



Another momentous achievement by an Orbian-Riaan Singh of Class 2 Sirius. Riaan won the gold medal for being the best striker in the hockey competition held for the under-19 age group, played at MMFC turf. Congratulations!

### Inter House Results:

The students' four houses competed with each other throughout the year. Their efforts brought glory and pride to their houses. Kudos to everyone for their collective contribution to the success of their house. Continue to shine always!

Event	Winners
Public Speaking	Vanguards
Creative Writing	Vanguards
Information Boards and Creative Design	Innovators
Quizzes	Guardians
Dramatics	Guardians
Dance	Vanguards
Music	Innovators
Cricket	Explorers
Football	Vanguards
Basketball	Vanguards
Athletics	Guardians
Martial Guards	Vanguards
Throwball	Explorers
Skating	Explorers
Indoor Games	Guardians
Academics	Explorers
Leadership	Explorers

### Have fun learning French

#### La Tour de France

Tour de France, la course cycliste la plus prestigieuse et la plus difficile au monde. Des trois courses les plus importantes (les autres étant le Giro d'Italia et la Vuelta a España), le Tour de France attire les meilleurs coureurs du monde. Organisé pendant trois semaines chaque mois de juillet, généralement en 20 étapes d'une journée, le Tour comprend généralement 20 équipes professionnelles de 9 coureurs chacune et couvre quelque 3 600 km, principalement en France, avec des visites occasionnelles et brèves dans des pays tels que la Belgique, l'Italie, l'Allemagne, l'Italie, l'Italie, l'Allemagne, l'Italie et l'Espagne. Le Tour est le premier événement sportif annuel de France et a des racines culturelles profondes. Il est regardé par des foules immenses depuis le bord de la route et est télévisé dans le monde entier comme l'un des tests suprêmes de l'endurance athlétique. Une partie de la difficulté à laquelle les cyclistes sont confrontés dans le Tour est qu'il est divisé entre les courses de contre-la-montre et les étapes de course couvrant à la fois des terres plates et de grandes étendues de pentes montagneuses. C'est un cycliste rare qui peut bien performer à la fois en contre-la-montre et en montée, et ceux qui peuvent généralement porter le maillot jaune de la victoire à l'issue de la course à Paris.

Tour de France is the world's most prestigious and difficult bicycle race. Of the three foremost races (the others being the Giro d'Italia and the Vuelta a España), the Tour de France attracts the world's best riders. Staged for three weeks each July—usually in some 20-daylong stages—the Tour typically comprises 20 professional teams of nine riders each. It covers some 3,600 km, mainly in France, with occasional and brief visits to countries such as Belgium, Italy, Germany, and Spain. The Tour is France's premier annual sporting event with deep cultural roots. It is watched by huge crowds from the roadside and is televised worldwide as one of the supreme tests of athletic endurance. Part of the difficulty cyclists face in the Tour is that it is divided among time-trial racing and racing stages covering flat land and great stretches of mountainous inclines. It is a rare cyclist who can perform well at both time trials and climbing, and those who can usually wear the yellow jersey of victory at the end of the race in Paris.

*Siya Kalani, Student 9 Sirius*



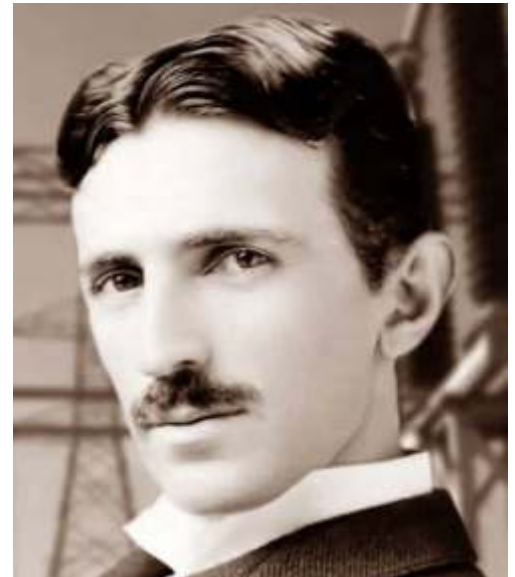


## Personality of the month

Nikola Tesla, who was born on July 10, 1856, was an incredible genius whose work continues to astonish the world even today. He is known for his mind-boggling invention, the Alternating Current (AC) System, which is capable of transmitting electricity over much greater distances than the Direct Current (DC) System. This ushered in a new era of electrification and revolutionised the modern science world. Tesla was famously known as Thomas Edison's rival in the "war of currents," which was a debate over the most appropriate method of electrical distribution between the AC and DC systems. Despite his popularity, he suffered financial hardship and spent his later years in solitude. He passed away alone in a New York hotel room in 1943. Tesla Motor, one of the most renowned automobile companies, was named after this remarkable genius as a tribute to his innovations. The way that Nikola Tesla effortlessly pushed the boundaries of what was thought impossible is awe-inspiring. Not only was he a mastermind in his field, but his humble and eccentric personality added an extra layer of fascination. His dedication to his work and relentless pursuit of knowledge continue to inspire countless individuals around the globe.

**Rupa Kagitha, Student 9 Vega**

Nikola Tesla



## Virtue Alone Ennobles

### Innovation and Thinking out of the Box

As children, our lives are shaped just as greatly or perhaps even more by our very own tremendously vast and whimsical imagination than the world that surrounds us. But as years pass and we grow older, our thirst for adventurous ideas and vivid stories diminishes and instead we choose to remain confined to the shackles of society. We convince our minds that certain predefined mannerisms and perspectives are more practical than others and in a way contribute to stunting our growth. It is we who choose to be oblivious to our crazy yet unique side. But is it right to not be true to ourselves? Absolutely not! Some centuries ago space travel must have seemed like a completely threatening and foolish idea but does it now? Had Konstantin Tsiolkovsky never wondered and worked for space travel we might not have conquered such great feats or even believed it was possible. If Wilhelm Röntgen had not experimented with electricity we might never have got the x-ray. It has been rightly said that "The only way to discover the limits of the possible is to go beyond them into the impossible." Innovation and out-of-the-box thinking go hand in hand. I choose to see our ability to think as a powerful tool that can influence societies, and develop new ideas and technologies. Out-of-the-box thinking makes up the blueprint for unforeseen innovations that can eventually make the world a better place. But all of this is possible only when we let ourselves out of conservative mindsets, and think beyond the ordinary and innovative. Life is short and we all get a single shot at it. Why not then live it extraordinarily and venture beyond the known and explored?

**Shrestha Sharma, Student 9 Vega**



## Teachers' Corner

### Staff Picnic (18th February)

The yearly picnic for the teaching and non-teaching staff was a well-planned activity. The visit to Prathamesh Resort in Khed was filled with fun and excitement. On arrival, at the venue, the team was welcomed with a sumptuous breakfast after which all headed for some fun and frolic. At around 5 pm all were ready to board the buses to go back home, rejuvenated, energised and refuelled.

**Nidhi Paul, CT 6 Sirius**



### Staff Club (2nd March)

In the spirit of joy and being a team, the academic and the non-academic staff celebrated the culminating Staff Club of the academic year. It was a day filled with entertainment. Teachers displayed their musical and dancing skills making it a day to let one's hair down and re-energize. Birthdays of the last three months were celebrated and those who have been a part of the Orbis School for five years or more were felicitated with mementoes. Those who have begun a new chapter in their lives through matrimony were gifted with a small token filled with best wishes.

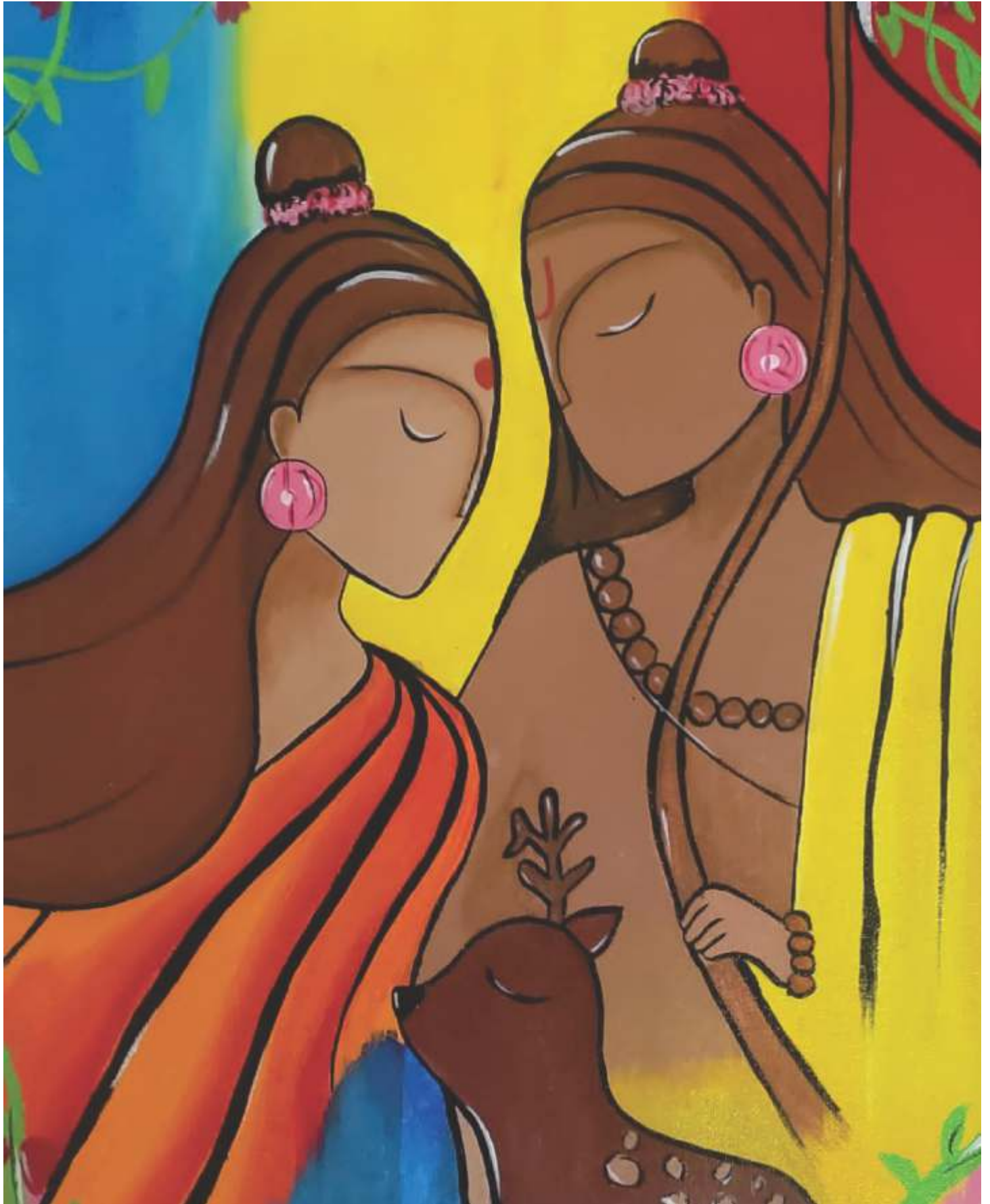
We look forward to many such joyous days at school.

### I am a woman

I am a woman  
I am soft yet strong  
Simple yet suave  
Emotional yet resolute  
I sacrifice with a smile  
Also indulge in shopping to revive  
Though mindful with family and friends

Also, enjoy gossip to the fullest  
I try to manage my work-life balance  
Each day brings a new challenge  
I multitask my work with ease  
That's my stress combat key  
From tender to tenacious

I have many shades and varied emotions  
I am a woman  
Who accommodates easily  
In every situation  
Happy women's day  
**Nidhi Paul, CT 6 Sirius**



Vedeeka Sandugade Class 8 R



*Khimaya Mittal 6 D*

## Parents' Prerogative

### Appreciation

I am delighted to share some outstanding news regarding Kohav Choudhary's achievements in skating sports. Kohav's remarkable success not only highlights his talent, but also underscores the effectiveness of our school's sports program and the dedication of our coaching staff. I would like to extend a special thanks to Shailesh Jabhare for his invaluable contribution to Kohav's training and development. This achievement is a testament to the supportive environment and growth opportunities provided by our school. It is important to recognize and celebrate such remarkable accomplishments to inspire and motivate other students.

**Parents of Kohav Choudhary, Student 4 Sirius**



**Vedeeka Sandugade 8 R**



**Farhan Khan 10 S**



**Rachit Bagla 6 Antares**

## I can do it!

1. Which were the subjects Tesla studied?
2. Did he receive a degree?
3. Where was Tesla born and to which country did he migrate later?
4. Why did Tesla later write, "My high education in various branches of science, mechanics and literature seemed to me like a mockery"?



### From the Editorial Team:



Just Do Your Best  
It is this that all students fear  
This tyranny of the education system upon them.  
Where small black letters stare at you unblinkingly  
From startlingly white sheets.  
Where all around you students sigh with relief,  
But you face your worst nightmare  
For the paper is flooded with questions from  
The very chapter you neglected!  
Where all around you pens scratch on,

And the whoosh of the fan is blaring  
You sit, trapped in a world of your own.  
With sweaty palms and a fast-beating heart,  
You desperately try to calculate the passing marks.  
Have courage, friends, we can overcome  
Just do your best, and leave the rest!  
**Pallavi Nichani, Student 9 Rigel**

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### Thought for the month

Spring is the time of plans and projects. - **Leo Tolstoy**

