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It is an honour to present the Annual report of The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar. This report is our earnest effort to give a glimpse of the year gone by.

Colin Powell rightly said quote: "Success is the result of perfection, hard work, learning from failure, loyalty, and persistence."

Like any other year, this year too, our class 12 students made us very proud with a 100% pass result. Out of the batch, 21% of the students scored more than 90% and 58% of the students passed with distinction.

Our Science toppers were Advay Tapasvi with 96.8%, Srishti with 96.4%, and Sukrit Agarwal with 96%. Palak Sanghvi topped the Commerce batch with 95.4% and Pragyan Paramita scored 95.4% to top the Humanities stream.

In addition, our class 10 batch passed with flying colors with 28% of the students scoring above 90% and 51% scoring above 75%. Mihika Rawat brought laurels to herself and the school with a score of 98.40%. Meenakshi Thakur placed second with 98.20%, followed by Akshitha Madala and Roshni Sreevani Gokeda, both tied for the third position with 97.40%. These achievements are testimony to the hard work and dedication of our students, teachers, and parents. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to them for their outstanding performance.

We at Orbis are proud to announce that in the academic year 2023-24, we have received several prestigious awards in recognition of our achievements in education.

We are ecstatic to have been awarded the MIMAMSA School Awards. This accolade acknowledges our dedication to delivering the best quality education to our students.

We were ranked in the top 10 in India for the Social Impact Award in the Education World Grand Jury Rankings. This is a testimony to our dedication to making a positive impact in the lives of our students and the community.

We were nominated for Eldrok India K-12 Summit India K-12 Awards - 2023 for i) Inculcating Logical & Advanced Learning ii) Adopting Innovative Teaching Methods iii) Enrichment Activities and Skill Development Programs

At the Education Today's Awards, the school has been honoured with the prestigious "Dynamic School" award, recognizing its outstanding commitment to fostering innovation, adaptability, and forward-thinking educational practices. This accolade celebrates the institution's dynamic approach to education, showcasing its dedication to preparing students for the ever-evolving challenges of the modern world.

Ms. Veronica Dorairaj and Ms. Sheetal Deorukhar, have been acknowledged and they were honoured with the "Best Teacher Award" presented by the I.I.H.M on Teachers' Day.

Ms. Anjali Srivastava received the "Influential Women in Education - Award" from the Center for Educational Development Foundation and the "Neev Award" from the Maharashtra Education Cell.

Our Principal also received the "Principal Par Excellence Award" from the I.I.H.M and the distinguished award for "Continued Hard Work and Valued Contribution in Education" from the Maharashtra Education Cell.

The Orbis School has a strong tradition of excellence in various fields such as sports, drama, music, debates, and poetry.

Events such as the Investiture Ceremony, Founder's Day, OrbiChess, Orbis Cup, Orbispark, and Orbis Run are celebrated with enthusiasm. Physical Field trips and Institutional visits were thoroughly enjoyed by students from classes pre-primary to 12.

The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, hosted its second TEDx event on the 25th of April 2023. The theme of the TED talk, 'Can the Future Really Influence the Past?', brought in a lot of cognitive and creative energy. The speakers, with their diverse experiences and perceptions generated new ideas, provoking conversations on that matter.

The yearly literary festival, Orbiloqui, featured the literary and oratory prowess of our young Orbians. Orbitheatre, saw all children on stage share the spotlight. National festivals like Independence Day and Republic Day are celebrated with zeal and vigour.

Many students have received awards and recognition for their outstanding performance at inter-school, city, district and national level competitions.

Shayna Patni from Class 4 - Won the First Runners Up position at the Amanora Abhivyahti Competition 2023-24, and Inara Patel from Class 4 - Received a Certificate at the CBSE EXPRESSION SERIES ON G-20 India Vision for a Harmonious World.

Suryansh Jirwankar of Class 5 received a Gold Medal and was awarded the prestigious Bal Shrestha Puraskar in November at the Antarrashtriya Hindi

Samman Samaroh 2023 which was held at Teen Murti Bhavan, New Delhi.

Shanvi Gupta of Class 11 was awarded a Bronze Medal in The All India HOPE Talent Contest in the Art Category, Kratika Gupta and Mrigakshi Dutta of class 11 were a part of the DPS Pune Imaginarium and K Talk at the Kalyani School in the Public Speaking Category.

Abhilash Kar from Class 12- was awarded the 3rd best speaker at the Regional level in the BEHS Debate and best Research Analyst at the Lexicon Entrepreneurship Conclave along with Anwasha and Yashvi Desai on the topic of Energy-harvesting footwear.

This session Abhilash has also participated in the IIM (Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore)-B Banking & Financial Markets: Risk Management Program Growth School UX Hackathon and JP Morgan Investment Banking programme.

Anwasha Mukherjee of Class 12 participated as a Speaker in TEDx Orbis on the Topic 'Can the future influence the past?', She is the Author of the Book 'Mirror Ball' which comprises 18 poems depicting How broken people can be beautiful and She was part of a study programme held in France during the summer break.

Kanakdeep Kaur of class 12 won the Outstanding Delegate - at the Model United Nations held at Christ College Lavasa and The International Award for Young People [IAYP], featuring various tasks to be accomplished, resulted in certificates and Bronze Pins being awarded to the following individuals of Class 12 - Tanay Kulkarni, Neal Zeande, Rishabh Mahajan and Dhruv Joshi.

At the Junior Smart India Hackathon 2023 our innovation/idea on the topic 'Transportation and Logistics for funding support through the school innovation contest has been shortlisted for the next round. Overall, the students of the Orbis School are making the most of their opportunities and excelling in various fields.

The adage that a healthy mind resides in a healthy body has become a reality, as our young athletes are always ready to compete. Events like UN Yoga Day and the FIT India Campaign helped improve the children's fitness.

The NCC program has flourished, and a new cohort of students has been enrolled. In addition, the graduating batch has demonstrated outstanding performance and excellence in their examinations. They successfully attended a 10-day camp held at the NCC Pune Headquarters of the 3rd Maha Air Squadron. The first batch has just appeared for their certificate examination.

Sports has always been an integral part of the Orbis School. The showcase event, Orbisports, honoured those who performed well with certificates and medals. The students of classes 6,7 and 8 stood out with their Karate, Zumba, and Fabric Flow Formation drills, showcasing sportsmanship and team spirit.

In various sports competitions, our school has demonstrated commendable achievements.

In cricket, our Under-17 boys from classes 9 and 10 reached the Quarter Finals in the DSO sports competitions. In football, students from classes 8 to 10 performed well in the Subroto football tournament 2023 Pune.

Our basketball teams actively participated in DSO qualifying matches. Our Table Tennis team reached the Semi-Finals and secured the 4th position in the DSO Table Tennis Team Event 2023, competing against 56 teams.

In individual performances, the following students excelled at the District, State and National levels: Yuvika Tyagi of Class 8: Represented Maharashtra at the National level Basketball Championship, Ananya Gadekar, of Class 9, was selected for the U-16 Maharashtra State Girls Cricket Team.

Maahir Raval, of Class 11, was selected and played for the U-16 Maharashtra State Boys Cricket team. He will now be going for U-19 selections for the same. Alisha Khan, of Class 10, secured the Bronze Medal while representing Maharashtra at the National Level All India Karate Championship organized by the Karate Association of India.

Riya Virkud, of Class 8, played at the State level Vovinam (Thai Kickboxing-Martial Arts) matches held at Panvel on 5th and 6th August 2023. She won the Gold Medal and qualified for the Nationals. Riya again participated in District Level matches for Vovinam held on 13th Jan 2024. She once again won a Gold medal.

Vanshi Kadwani, of Class 11, won the Silver Medal as she showcased remarkable skills by securing the 2nd and 3rd positions in the CBSE Archery National Competition 2023 held in Dehradun and Ahmednagar, respectively.

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In the DSO Archery Competition held in Pune and Sholapur, Vanshi secured the 3rd and 4th positions.

Taran Waghrey, of Class 10, played District level and is now shortlisted for U 19 Maharashtra State Boys Cricket team selections starting in March 2024. Kishlaya Sharma, of Class 9, has played for the U14 Maharashtra Lawn Tennis team and is currently in the U16 Maharashtra team (Singles and Doubles).

Naitik Mane of Class 4 has participated in various chess tournaments throughout the year, is constantly upgrading his skills, and is a star in the making.

Thus, The Orbis School Keshav Nagar, earned recognition in various events including Chess, table tennis, cricket, basketball, football, karate, and archery, with students achieving commendable positions through their active participation.

Our school aims to build a strong character in young minds through its programs and activities. Values like truth, honesty, and empathy are taught to students to guide their decision-making.

During our Founders' Day celebration, we actively engaged in charitable initiatives through various donation drives. A total of Rs. 30,502 was collected for the Childline India Foundation, while Rs. 15,000 was contributed to the Indian Association of the Blind for their White Cane initiative. Additionally, we collected groceries and toiletries for the Poona School and Home for the Blind, further supporting their noble cause. Furthermore, a sum of Rs. 10,000 was raised for the Cancer Patient Aid Association (CPAA), accompanied by the collection of old newspapers, groceries, and stainless steel water bottles to aid their efforts. To address environmental concerns, discarded plastic materials were gathered for Rudra Environmental Solutions, highlighting our commitment to both social welfare and environmental sustainability.

The Interact club students actively participated in environmental conservation through a plantation drive, raised donations of raincoats and umbrellas for Anjuman Islam school students, and celebrated Children's Day by presenting handmade gifts like stationery holders, books, and soaps to bring smiles to their faces.

The school also focuses on physical well-being with initiatives like the Water Break. It encourages intellectual development through programs like DEAR hour, Students' Social Responsibility Projects, theme-based assemblies and Home visits by teachers.

There are various activities offered at the school including Yardstick, Butterfly, School Cinema, and Co-Curricular Clubs, which keep the campus lively and productive.

The School's Enterprise Club provides students with an opportunity to develop leadership skills and business acumen by brainstorming new business ideas.

The Orbis School Keshav Nagar joined the International cultural exchange program aka Eumind with the European school 'Van De Perre' based in the Netherlands for this academic year 2023-24. These programmes involve research, collation, video conferences, presentations, and comparisons on the project 'Regions'. Students gained a once-in-a-lifetime experience that allowed them to understand and reflect upon the diverse facets of cultures, languages, and traditions.

During the academic year 2023-24, a variety of workshops were held for both students and teachers. Highlighting some workshops from among the many that were conducted during the session are:

Healthy Diet, Safe and Unsafe Touch, Examination Tips and Answer Script Presentation, Emotional Awareness, Cyber Security and Social media awareness, Social Emotional learning, Astronomy workshop on Aditya 1 Solar mission, Exploring Career Options after 12th, Menstrual Health and Hygiene, Understanding Puberty: Knowing Yourself, Effective Study Habits, Exploring Unconventional Career Options, Building resilience, Honing time management skills.

These workshops provided a comprehensive approach to student development, ensuring they are well-equipped for both academic and life challenges.

The Indo Global University Fair was indeed a noteworthy event, where prestigious Indian and International universities participated, offering valuable insights into study options, degree programs, scholarships, admissions, student life, and support. The fair served as a comprehensive resource for students considering higher education both in India and abroad. The fair was attended by a mix of 21 global and Indian universities, including Trinity College

Dublin, Ashoka University, Queen's University Belfast, and others, to help students plan their careers.

Universities of Ireland also conducted a fair which gave our students an insight into the educational options available, for all streams, in Ireland.

The Orbis School Keshav Nagar successfully conducted all the Olympiad exams such as IMO, IEO, NSO, IGKO, NCO and ISSO. Many of our students won accolades in various subjects and have secured International ranks.

A special mention for our students who are meritorious rank holders in International competitions: In the International English Olympiad [IEO] category the following students are among the top 20 rankers internationally: Akshita Pawal of Class 2 - Rank holder 18, Tavishi Maurya of Class 4 - Rank holder 11, Kian Singh of Class 4 - Rank holder 4, Kiyansh Singh of Class 4 - Rank holder 10.

In the National Science Olympiad [NSO] category our rankers are top rankers are: Tapasya Mundrupaddy Rao Class 2 Rank 6, Prishka Jain Class 2 Rank 6, Shayna Swapnil Patne Class 4 Rank 6, Shivansh Singh Class 8 Rank no. 18.

In the International Mathematics Olympiad [IMO] category Tapasya Mundrupaddy Rao Class 2 holds the 3rd rank. The Teachers also attended the Center of Excellence and Sahodaya Workshops.

Overall, the past academic year was filled with diverse activities aimed at improving the skills and knowledge of both students and teachers, as the school continues to provide a well-rounded education to its students.

Ensuring safety within the school premises goes beyond mere caution; it necessitates thorough readiness. Apart from the school safety committee, which involves parents, state-of-the-art fire-extinguishing units have been implemented to proficiently manage unforeseen disasters.

We are grateful to our parents for their involvement and the great trust they have reposed in us. It will be our endeavour to always live up to their expectations.



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