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From the Principal's Desk

Empathy is the ability to understand what other people feel. It is to put oneself in the shoes of others and experience the same emotion. We empathize with people we love and care for, be it our parents, siblings, other family members and our dearest friends. We empathize with our neighbors and sometimes even that stranger on the road. Can empathy be taught? Or is it learnt by being aware, being mindful and observing carefully?

When we empathize, we show compassion. Buddha believed strongly in the power of compassion or Karuna. All beings have the power of Karuna in them. The feeling of compassion makes us human. Thich Nhat Hanh was a Buddhist monk. He suggested that deep listening helps people empty their hearts. The listener listens deeply, fully connected to the speaker and empathizes with the feelings of the speaker. It is a way of saying, 'I hear what you are saying and I am here for you'. When one is empathetic, one becomes self-aware. Also, the value of empathy brings a sense of 'lightness' in a very busy and stressful life. Let us first imbibe in ourselves this beautiful value by being kind and thoughtful as also understanding and appreciating the good traits in others. Our children will learn the same through examples we set.

Smita Pendharkar, Vice Principal.



Big News!

It is a matter of immense pride that our School won the 'Time Brand Icon's Leading School in Pune in June 2022. While the aim of the school is to impart knowledge, create future leaders and enjoy the process of learning, the accolades and awards are a sure morale booster to each one involved in this process.



We feel extremely proud and happy to announce that the students of classes 10 and 12 have outshone themselves. Their hard work, perseverance and sincerity has paid off bringing outstanding results. We congratulate each one of them. Our toppers are:



Class 10 toppers



Animesh Gokhale, Class 10 Rigel scored 98.6 %



Maanav Sharma, Class 10 Sirius scored 98.2%



Archini Patil, Class 10 Deneb scored 98.2 %

Class 12 toppers



Aditi Rajan, Humanities stream, 95.8%



Vaishnavi Saxena, Commerce stream, 97.4%
99%



Aarav Karodia, Science stream,

Flavours from our orchard

Bridge Course(28th April - 10th June)

Education is the ongoing process of igniting curiosity in children to continue the process of growing and learning. The shift from online to physical learning came with its own challenges. To equip and acclimatize the little ones a Bridge Course was slated. This helped the students to brush up concepts taught earlier and revise previous knowledge. The course continued in the month of June till before the starting of regular school. Students showed significant improvement and coped well with all the practice work.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT, Jr.KG Apple



Parent Orientation (9th June)

In order to help the new parents understand the ethos and vision of the school, an orientation was held where they met with the academic staff of the pre-primary section. The teachers, with the help of a detailed presentation, explained to them the ways and means of school's working. Questions asked by the parents were duly addressed by the teacher in charge.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT, Jr.KG Apple



Sense Organs(14th - 17th June)

Our senses allow us to observe and understand the world around us. The little Orbians experienced the joy of using their senses in a fun way. The Sr KG children played a game where they used their sensory organs to see, feel, taste, hear and smell. They enjoyed the activities and were also able to relate to them easily.

Hufrish Dutt, CT, Sr KG Orange



Well Being- Personal hygiene (20th - 24th June)

Personal hygiene involves keeping all parts of the body clean and healthy. It is important to maintain both physical and mental health. Thus, being healthy involves having healthy habits. Keeping personal hygiene in mind, the nursery children enjoyed the process of learning through an activity based learning plan. They drew pictures, shared their thoughts on the topic in a class discussion and played games specially designed for the same.

Uttama Purohit, CT, Sr.KG Apple



International Yoga Day -United Nations (21st June)

The students of the Pre-Primary wing celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June 2022 with a lot of enthusiasm. They performed different exercises and asanas with the help of their teachers. The Young learners learnt the benefits of exercising regularly.

Uttama Purohit, CT Sr.KG Apple



Let us keep clean (27th June - 1st July)

Childhood is the best time to learn and inculcate the value of cleanliness. Giving children age-appropriate tasks at home and in school is a good way to teach them to be responsible and clean. Keeping toys in their place, arranging the study table, laying table mats, cleaning spilt food are some of the simple things the little ones can do easily. Teachers planned their classes in such a way that the children learnt by doing.

Amrita Kar Dhar CT Jr.KG Apple



Plantation Day (30th June)

Plantation Day reminds us of our responsibilities towards the earth. To celebrate the occasion the students of the Pre-Primary sowed seeds which they will watch grow with the help of water, sunlight and their loving care.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr.KG Apple



Family and extended Families (4th - 8th July)

Families are an integral part of one's life. To understand the role of each member of the family in a child's life, the children of the pre primary performed different activities. The nursery students enjoyed a fingerfamily action rhyme. The children enthusiastically shared photos of memorable moments with family members and decorated the familytree in their drawing files. The junior Kindergarteners learnt the importance of family. They talked about their favourite family members in class. Students of the Sr. Kg. demonstrated the importance of having a family through a special assembly. They enjoyed an action song and drew and decorated a family tree with pictures of family members in their Scrapbooks.

Uttama Purohit, CT Sr.KG Apple



Drop Everything and Read Hour (8th July)

Books open a world to be explored. DEAR Hour was observed to celebrate reading and enjoy a peaceful time with a favourite book. For the little ones the book, *The Great Race*, was chosen which the teacher read out aloud. The students of Junior and Senior Kindergarten read the story books *Ritu and Her Family* and *Tarun and the Bird* respectively.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr.KG Apple

Health Check up Week (4th - 9th July)

A healthy mind dwells in a healthy body. To acquire knowledge, ignite the mind, and to participate in activities, one needs to be healthy. Schools also have their own responsibility to keep a check on student's health. So, a doctor's check up week was planned, where a team of doctors visited our campus and did physical check up of the little ones and shared his suggestions as per their diagnosis.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr.KG Apple



Community Helpers (11th - 22nd July)

Community Helpers' play a very important role in keeping the community safe and healthy. The tiny tots were taught about the duties and responsibilities shouldered by our community helpers. Children were also made to understand how they make our lives easier, cleaner and safe. The kindergarten children had a show and tell activity where they had to choose a helper of their choice and say a few things about them. The activity was enjoyed by all!

Hufrish Dutt, CT Sr. KG Orange



Tiger Day (29th July)

Global Tiger Day is celebrated every year as a way to raise awareness about this magnificent but endangered big cat. To spread awareness amongst young learners the tiny tots of the nursery enjoyed making a tiger face mask. The Jr.KG children enjoyed making pugmarks in their scrapbooks. They attended a special assembly with Sr.KG Students and understood the importance of wildlife and tigers.

Students of the Sr.KG performed a special assembly on Global Tiger Day and enthusiastically made tiger bookmarks.

Uttama Purohit, CT Sr.KG Apple

Movie Week (25th - 29th July)

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy". The adage is pertinent at all levels. The kindergarteners let their hair down and enjoyed watching fun and happy movies, along with their friends. The movies were well selected and age appropriate with meaningful messages to learn and take home. Not only did the little ones have a good time, the teachers too thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr.KG Apple



Seasons - Monsoon and Autumn (25th - 29th July)

We experience four major seasons, Each season occurs at a different time of the year. The kindergarteners learnt about them and the food and clothings that go with each season. The little Orbians enjoyed various activities like thumb printing on frogs, paper folding, boat making and tearing and pasting activity. An assembly was conducted for the same.

Hufrish Dutt, CT Sr. KG Orange



I Know More, I Grow More

Summer Internship Programme (12th May- 11th June)

Unlike working in an unrelated job for the summer, an internship will give one the opportunity to gain real and relevant working experience and possibly get hired by the company one is interning with. Internships are not limited to college students. The Orbis School leaves no stone unturned to walk an extra mile to provide and facilitate students to achieve greater heights and get the best opportunities. Various students from across the streams attended the Internship program. The students who were a part of this program were: Mayasim Awaji, Pragyan Parimita, Anusha Parikh, Lakshya Jain, Prathmesh Chavan and Shreya Rastogi. There was a plethora of tasks assigned to us in diverse areas such as business, digital marketing, marketing communications and so on. We also underwent training on how to conduct research, plan subject-specific research, find relevant data to help achieve respective objectives and prepare documents. We tracked the progress of the Swachh Bharat initiative. The focus was laid on understanding the growing startup ecosystem in India.

Anusha Parikh, Student 12 Sirius

Swachh Diwas (5th June)

The Orbis School, Keshav Nagar participated in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan organized by the PMC on Sunday, in the morning from 7 am to 9 am. We were delighted to see the hearty participation of over thirty students along with their parents. The effort turned out to be extremely fruitful. Five hefty bags full of garbage were collected. The sense of satisfaction in contributing towards the cleanliness of the environment was profound. We appreciate this noble step taken by the school.

Purna Shreshtha, PGT-PE



Yoga Week (6th- 10th June)

A week-long yoga program was organized by Mr Ankush Nawale from Patanjali Yog Peeth. While the program started with the motive to make yoga a routine for mainly the children, it was widely attended by the teachers, parents, non teaching faculty and elderly. Most left the premises feeling happy and relaxed. This five day program taught us all a lot about the benefits of yoga. We were delighted to receive requests for an extension of the programme, making it a successful one.

Purna Shreshtha, PGT-PE

School Reopens (6th June)

Students of classes 9, 10 and 12 rejoined school after a refreshing vacation. The joy of meeting their friends after almost a month was clearly visible on their faces. The classes were conducted smoothly and the teaching learning process was encouraging. These extra classes shall continue till 13th June before the rest of the school joins back.

International Award For Young People, India (7th June)

The International Award for Young People (IAYP) workshop was conducted for the students of classes 9 and 10. The IAYP program was introduced in India in 1962 with the aim of encouraging the youth of the country to utilize their full potential by setting desirable goals and challenging themselves to achieve their targets. It is affiliated to The Duke of Edinburgh Programme. Our counsellor, Ms. Kavita Ma'am, oriented us about how important the youth is for the country. We learnt about how we could develop new skills, get physically active, serve the community, and experience adventure. It was an interactive session. We were shown video clips, which intrigued everyone to know more about the program. The most interesting part of the programme is that there is no competition at all between students or schools. It is an individual endeavour and solely depends on the interest of the volunteer. Every volunteer is recognized if he/she has proven to be consistent in completing the tasks assigned. We were also shown a video of a touching life story of an eleven-year-old boy who left his home just because he did not want to digress from his ambition of getting into the field of photography. The workshop ended with an interactive doubt session, wherein the students got all their doubts clarified. The main takeaway for me from this workshop was that we must learn to develop new skills and maintain consistency. After a long time, attending a physical workshop like this was a boost-up for all students!

Gayathri Devi J, Student 10 Sirius

World Environment Day (8th June)

On a sunny Wednesday morning, when everyone was in high spirits, the school held a Slogan Writing Competition for Class 9. World Environment Day is celebrated annually on 5th June. First held in 1973, it has been a platform for raising awareness on environmental issues such as marine pollution, overpopulation, global warming, sustainable development, and wildlife crime. To celebrate this day the students brought their drawing and coloring materials to school. They came prepared with innovative slogans and mesmerizing ideas. The students worked excitedly and created amazing art work. It was a worthy initiative to help students realize the importance of wildlife during this World Environment Week.

Kirtika Tambi, Student 9 Deneb

School Cafeteria Committee Meeting (9th June)

We at The Orbis School believe in promoting healthy eating habits and help our students make the right food choices. The School Cafeteria Committee plays an integral role here. The objective of the committee is to supervise and ensure efficient management of the school cafeteria towards providing hygienic, healthy and appetizing food for the students. The first meeting of the Cafeteria Committee for the academic year 2022-23 was conducted on Thursday, 9th of June. The committee comprises the Vice-Principal, Head Mistress, Junior School Head, Co-ordinators, teacher, parent and student representatives. Each member gave suggestions regarding the food items to be available at the cafeteria, use of items that should be avoided and measures to be adopted to maintain discipline during break time. The committee will frequently check the food menu, study cafeteria infrastructure requirements, design cafeteria management programs for students and ensure that the quality of food served in the cafeteria is maintained.

Lynnete Van Maanen, CT 3 Antares

Parents Orientation (9th June)

A new academic year means new learnings, new friends, new adventures, new challenges and new avenues. As we are on the threshold of beginning our new academic year for class 11, the school organized an Orientation for the students and parents of all streams from 10 am to 11 am. It was indeed very satisfying to see how parents and children were so involved and taking keen interest to understand their forthcoming academic journey.

Swapna Phulphalgar, CT 11 Sirius

Happy Return Post Summer Break, (12th June)

It's school time again! Excitement and the sounds of joy filled the classrooms and corridors after a long summer break. Some felt a little nervous on the first day but these fears lasted only till the children met their friends and teachers. We all look forward to a fruitful year ahead.

Harpreet Gandhi, CT 2 Deneb

Welcome of New Batch (14th June)

The school welcomed the new batch of Class 11 (2022-23). The classes are a blend of students who have been a part of the Orbis School for the past few years and a few who are new to the family. Having had a great beginning, we are sure these students will enjoy their journey and Celebrate Learning wholeheartedly.

Periodic Test- 1 Begins (15th June- 22nd July)

It is time yet again for assessments. After more than a month of regular and extra classes, the students of classes 10 and 12 took their first Periodic Test which started on the 15th of June. The rest of the school had theirs in the month of July. These tests are a good measure to revise, revisit and understand areas of concern before moving on to the next level of the syllabus. The main purpose of the Periodic Assessment is to assess the learning progress of students. Assessments are done at regular intervals and provide feedback and insight to teachers regarding learners' needs. It helps teachers to improve instruction, do remedial teaching, and set curricular targets for their students

Nalini Saklani, CT 3 Vega

Virtual Field Trip, (18th June)

On a bright Saturday morning, the students of all classes went on virtual field trips. Field trips are one of the best ways for young children to learn, through observations and experience. To name a few places visited by various classes; the Zoo, The Museum of Discovery and Science, Aquarium and The Museum of Simple Machines, struck the children with awe and excitement. We visited national parks, went on a scuba diving trip underwater, kayaked through the coolest icebergs, explored the hot geysers formed by magma and climbed the active volcanoes in Hawaii. We even saw some amazing landforms like islands, mountains and canyons. Our excitement knew no bounds on seeing the majestic zebra and the tall giraffe. The teachers then took a quiz on what all we learnt from the places visited, virtually.

Any Singh, Student 7 Antares; Sahasranshu Katakam, Student 8 Sirius.



Yoga for Well Being: Inter- house Board Activity (20th June) 3-5

To give wings to the creative and critical ideas of students, an Inter-house Board Activity Competition was held where students from Classes 1-5 participated enthusiastically. The theme for the month was Yoga for Well being. The aim was to learn more about the benefits of yoga. House boards were adorned vibrantly with charts, educational messages and creative borders which were prepared by the students of the respective houses. Each board was judged on creativity, content, Impact and presentation, neatness and timely completion. The competition was a close one. As expected, the students and the teachers were very excited and worked with great enthusiasm and vigour. These activities are conducted for the children throughout the year to help them read more, learn and use their presentation skills thus making the process wholesome and holistic.

Lynnete Van Maanen, CT 3 Antares

International Yoga Day (21st June)

Yoga is the journey of the self, to the self, through the self. Yoga is not just an exercise form but a way of life. In order to commemorate Yoga Day, the students of the Orbis School, were ready with their yoga mats to perform some asanas and breathing exercises. It was a cloudy and windy day, making the experience all the more pleasant. Under the guidance of Mr Ankush Nawale, a yoga teacher, we performed Pranayam which is vital for a healthy nervous, respiratory and digestive system. Also asanas like Bhujangasana, Trikonasana, and Vrukashna were performed by all the students. The session ended with Hasyaasna which uplifted the school atmosphere with roars and happy cheers. It was indeed an exhilarating experience for us Orbians.

Durva Tejal Sawant, Student 6 Rigel



Inter-house Spell Bee Competition (25th-29th June)

All students of classes 9-12 took part in the Inter-house Spell Bee Competition which was conducted over three days with two rounds. The students who qualified for the second round were faced with more challenging words. The winners were awarded with Certificates of Merit.

Yardstick Activity: Word Spinner (2nd July)

The main objective of Yardstick is to design and implement interesting learning programs for children, to engage the keen little minds through hands-on activities. Its vision is to make learning enriching and a joyful experience. The students of Class 1 had their first yardstick activity on Word Spinner. The young minds had an enjoyable time making different words. Each one got a kit and made words of their choice which were later shared with the class. It was a very good vocabulary building activity.

Swati Poddar, CT 1 Deneb

D.E.A.R. Hour (8th July)

Drop Everything and Read Hour was celebrated by the entire Orbis School, on the occasion of the 22nd National 'Reading Day'. It was observed not only by the students, but also by teachers, PTIs, coordinators, and each and every other member of the school. All other activities were dropped and everyone took to reading. We were transported to new worlds and the silence in the classrooms and corridors seemed peaceful and serene. Curiosity and excitement overwhelmed the mind of each reader and only the sound of pages flipping echoed, pleasantly.

Trishna Kumar, Student 8 Rigel

Keep Moving Movement (13th July) 10

The Keep Moving Movement organized a motivational session for the students of class 10. It was encouraging and a lot of fun. An activity was conducted where we reflected upon emotions we feel and then shared how we deal with them. We also spoke about negative thoughts and how they can be kept at bay. It was a good way to vent our feelings and learn about dealing with emotional ups and downs we experience as teenagers.

Shrimayi Pande, Student 10 Rigel

Solo Dance Competition (26th July) 1-5

An Inter House Solo Dance Competition was held for students of classes 1 to 5. The theme was A Tribute to Lata Mangeshkar and Bappi Lahiri. The vivacious dancers set the floor on fire with their energetic performances. The competition was a tough one and was made more interesting with props such as hats, chairs and sticks. The event was highly appreciated and the participants were encouraged with a lot of cheering and applause.

Batul Patapurwala, CT 4 Vega



Movie Week (25th July - 29th July) all classes

Children enjoy movies and they love to laugh, be challenged and entertained. All these delight them. Movies are an effective source of learning too. The weekly theme was planned for us with a lot of fun involved. Each class enjoyed watching a film in their respective classrooms, along with their friends. Giggles and laughter filled the air.

Kritika Goyal, Student 6 Deneb

Slogan Writing Competition (29th July)

International Tiger Day is celebrated every year on 29th July. This year's theme is Their survival is in our hands. International Tiger Day was celebrated, at the Orbis School, through art and craft. Students made posters using their creative skills and writing all that they knew about the majestic creature. Teachers had spoken to them and shared pictures, information and facts about the tiger in class.

Monica Sheth, Art Teacher

Periodic Review (15th July- 5th August)

Periodic Review is an assessment to test the students' level of subject comprehension. It also helps the teacher to get a better understanding of which topics need a revisit. The students of the primary section were well prepared and excited as they were aware of the entire procedure. Regular revision helped them to perform better without fear and anxiety. Each parameter was graded with a lot of care and thought by the teachers so as to gauge and get a better understanding of their students be it reading, listening skills, or recitation of poems. The teachers continuously monitored the students by moving around, giving them feedback and motivating them.

Firdos Khan, CT 1 Vega

School Captain Nomination (18th July)

In order to enhance the leadership skills among children, they were given the opportunity to nominate themselves for the positions of school captain and vice-captain. After the nominations and fulfilling of the desired criteria, shortlisted students presented their speeches to endorse themselves in a brief assembly. Students designed their personal logos and shared the importance and meaning of the same. It was a delight to see our children taking up responsibilities.

Childline Session (21st July)

Mr. Acharya, from Childline Help Service, spoke to the students of class 8 about how we, as students, can seek help when in turmoil or facing a challenge. Children all around the world face emotional, physical or social upheavals. Childline reaches out to them and provides counseling and therapy. Also, in many cases it saves children from difficult situations. It is run by people who have many years of experience in the field. It was a great learning for all of us and also heartening to know that children can seek help when they need it.

Sanjana Deb Roy, Student 8 Sirius



Parents Teachers Meeting (30th July)1-5

The first Parents Teachers Meeting for the academic year 2022-23, for Classes 1 and 5 was conducted in the month of July. It was an interactive session where teachers and parents discussed the overall development of students. Understandably, parents were eager to learn more about the adjustments of children after two years of online learning. The teachers assured them that slowly and gradually the children were getting familiar with physical schooling and that they were in safe hands. The objective of the meeting was met when both the parents and the teachers mutually came to the conclusion that the desired progress of each child can be achieved only with the joint efforts put in by both.

Sheetal Deorukhkar, CT 2 Sirius



Club of the month



Needlework Club (14th June)

Needlework is a decorative sewing and textile art handicraft. It includes related textile crafts such as crochet, embroidery, knitting, sewing, stitching and tatting. It enhances critical thinking, improves concentration and teaches patience and self-control. It also helps in the hand and eye coordination, brings joy, helps reduce anxiety and builds self-esteem. The main objective of the Needlework Club at The Orbis School is to empower the students with basic skills and enable them to handle simple mending work such as tacking buttons, hemming, eyelets and press buttons on their own.

Neeta Rawat, 5 Vega

Athletics Club (14th June)

The Athletics Club at The Orbis School works on the core principles of physical ability, mental strength, and moral development of the children. The club maintains an inclusive atmosphere where children with different abilities participate and the trainers, as facilitators, work on the strength and potentials of the children and nurture the same. Various sports activities like jumping, running, skipping and so on are included in the club through which the agility and flexibility in students is enhanced and they are motivated to adopt a healthy lifestyle.

Sanjukta Santra, CT 4 Deneb

Music Club (14th June)

The Vocal Music Club in The Orbis school provides a wonderful platform for all the enthusiastic young singers. Students are taught the basics of Indian classical music and the western style. Vocal Exercises, introduction of Ragas, Swaras' and 'Taal are part of the curriculum. They also learn to play various musical instruments. Music calms the mind and brings joy into our lives.

Ashwini Puranik, Music Teacher




Special Assemblies

Special Assembly on Yoga for Wellbeing (21st June)

On account of International Yoga Day, a special assembly was conducted to commemorate the occasion. Students were assigned with the responsibility of conducting the assembly. With the help of the yoga instructors, the students and the teachers performed yoga exercises, some which they knew and some which were taught on the day. A few minutes of yoga everyday can be a great way to get rid of stress both of the body and the mind. The assembly was conducted in order to understand the importance of discipline and spiritual practice in our daily lives.

Neelima Kotriker, CT 5 Deneb



Etiquette Club, (14th June)

The true meaning of etiquette is to show respect and kindness to everyone around us. Beginning to learn from a young age helps in imbibing the correct ways for life. At The Orbis School, we began our Etiquettes Club by introducing the children with the basics of Etiquettes or good mannerism, polite words such as please and thank you being some of them. As the Club proceeds they will further learn Social Etiquettes (how to show respect and kindness to everyone around us; never to call an adult by their first name unless the adult instructs them to do so; not to point or stare); Meeting Etiquettes, Dining Etiquettes (how to use a napkin, in the correct way, to wipe our mouth, "No sleeves please!"; how to chew with our mouth closed.) All the hard work and effort that is put into teaching our children basic etiquette will give them skills to handle themselves in a civilized world and help them grow into responsible adults, have good friends, be respectful family persons, and professionals.

Nalini Saklani, CT 3 Vega; Sarika Kharat, ST Marathi

Archery Club, (14th June) class 6-9

Archery is the practice of using a bow to shoot arrows. It was historically used in hunting and combat and has now become a precision sport. A person practicing archery is called an archer and one who enjoys or is an expert at archery is sometimes called a toxophilite. As most already know, archery is a sport rooted in accuracy which makes it a fun and a good way to improve hand-eye coordination skills, upper body strength, core stability, and balance. The Archery Club at The Orbis School makes sure that we not only inculcate sportsman spirit but also take the ten steps which are the general base and foundation for this sport. The ten steps which are mastered by the Orbis Archers through the year are Stance, Nocking the Arrow, Setting the Drawing Hand, Setting the Bow Hand and Bow Arm, Predraw and Drawing the Bow, Anchor, Holding, Aiming, and RELEASE. This sets the tempo and ground for a sound and winning performance.

Swapna Phulphalgar, CT 11 Sirius



Special Assembly on Student Council Elections (22nd July)

This week the morning assembly was a special one. Students of classes 10, 11 and 12 gathered in the basketball court. There was a short prayer followed by speeches by contenders for the posts of School Captain and Vice-Captain. Over the past few days, there has been a lot of buzz around the student council elections, followed by intense speculation and detailed discussions on who to vote for, as the school captain, and why. The student council elections allow us to exhibit our leadership skills and fulfill our childhood dreams of one day leading our school. The school has provided us with the opportunity to choose our representative completely based on our judicious decisions. We heard our friends and seniors give impactful speeches, inspiring us to vote for them.

Pragnya Parinita, Student 12 Sirius



Our Green Ways



For the SEWA (Social Empowerment through Work, Education and Action) work, we the students of class 10 contributed towards the environment consciously. We planted a sapling each and tended to it till it grew. We watched the sapling at its stages of growth, documenting the experience through pictures. Planting a sapling is easy, taking care of it requires basic knowledge regarding its requirements, be it water, fresh air or sunlight and manure. They have to be looked after and watered regularly. Plants not only clean the environment but also beautify it.

Each student of class 10 also made a bird feeder using material easily available at home.

Anvie Singh, Student 10 Deneb; Jayesh Madavi, Student 10 Rigel



I did it



Annika Dhara of 4 Sirius has secured the first position in the Bharatnatyam category at the National Level Talent Hunt Competition - organized by Shotokan Karate Do- Sports Association. She is on her way to making a name for herself as a proficient Bharatnatyam dancer. We congratulate her and feel very proud of her. May she continue to earn the fame she deserves.



Riya Virkud of 7 Antaras won the Gold Medal District Level at Thai Boxing in Pune. She is selected for the State Level Championship. We feel extremely proud of her and wish her the best for the future.



Shounak Pujari of 5 Deneb won the Gold medal at the Maharashtra State Level Thai Boxing Championship. We wish him the best and feel very proud of him for participating in and winning in such a prestigious event.

House Name	Group Dance	Solo Dance	Slogan Writing	Yoga for wellbeing
	(6 to 8)	(1 to 5)	(3 to 5)	(3 to 5)
Explorers	6	3	4	6
Guardians	4	8	2	2
Innovators	8	3	6	4
Vanguards	2	6	8	8



Impressions and Expressions

Father

Father is a great person who Always takes care of me Teaches me to achieve success Hundreds of people can't match his personality Equally sincere in all his works Respect, trustworthiness and many more qualities he has.

Sakthikumar Jayachandran, Student 5 Sirius



Star in his Cinema

You are the movie that I hope never reaches the end The only reality show I want to watch. You are the star in this cinema And the script writer, the choreographer, the costume designer. Every day, I love watching the unfolding plot of you Marvel at your character arc. You, the hero I cheer for when life does its worst. You, the stunt boy, for whom I hold my breath. You, the creator of your own soundtrack in which we sing along

I love your laugh track

You may not hear me clapping, But I'm in a constant state of standing ovation As you meet whatever your role brings you, My heart pounding as you move with such integrity into the next frame.

Rudrani Kadam, Student 9 Vega



Nature

Close your eyes and now you can see
The way the world supposed to be
Sunrise on a clear blue sky
Fields of daisies, soft butterflies.
Snow caps on the mountain tops
Valleys of green that never stop
Ocean waves and pure white sand
Animals grazing on the land.
Feel the wind in your hair
Smell the flowers, blooms everywhere
See the beauty, today is new
Enjoy nature god's gift to you.
Harshal Varshney, Student 8 Deneb



Rain

The fragrance of rain
Hits the ground,
As if announcing its arrival
When the raindrops speak,
every part of nature Listens.
Sometimes accompanied by rain,
Sometimes accompanied by lightning,
The arrival of rain is beautiful for some
For some, frightening
Frost, snow, hail and sleet
Come down in mirth and merry mind
Destroying things on their way
Yet giving new hope to trees, birds, animals, humans and what not.
The rains, we respect
Worship and pray
And trust me when I say,
The rain brings Eden to Earth.
Janvi P, Student 9 Antares

Life Is An Adventure, Not a Rattrap.

Life is an adventure, not a mere rat trap, we must do what we think is right because our fate lies in our own hands. Living a life with privileges may be God's gift to us, but living a beautiful life is our gift to Earth. "Wealth is external". In simpler terms, we look to improve our state of living constantly. Whether it's by earning and saving money or chasing connections with people. This need for change isn't a trap! It's only human desire that is. If we have the power to think, it is only fair that we think judiciously yet keeping in mind that it would be an injustice against our intelligence if we did not seek adventure. But giving too much into our desires is food for thought. Everything in moderation, even moderation in moderation, as they say. As I continue to ponder upon this, I realize that life isn't a rat trap, but it can be if we don't embrace it with a spirit of adventure. Our open-mindedness and choices determine whether or not this existence of our's is a rat trap or one of infinite possibilities and freedom.
Vijayant Joshi, Student 12 Vega



Memories are Memories

Starts with daybreak, ends with the night.....
I've been up all day to remind you, who I am,
Got something in the way which starts from long time ago,
Memories are memories,
Somethings cannot be changed,
Can't bear the bad ones, but grateful for the good
I'd rather not lose them,
I would love to treasure them.
I wonder if I meet you again,
Will we make more memories?
Spending the hours,
Achieving the dreams,
Together with the flow,

Like downstream.
Not knowing whom to trust I reminded myself.
Memories are memories,
Something that can't be changed,
Can't bear the bad ones,
But I'm grateful for the good
Feels like time has stopped,
But I keep running.
They think I got nothing,
But what I got is precious to me.
It keeps playing like a movie in my head,
But what can I do,
When it can't be changed....
Stella Paul, Student 9 Antares



Let's Talk 'Right', Presentations(5-6 July)

Rights are the voices of citizens in everyday life. They also enable them to claim their due and take active part in politics. On the 5th and 6th of July, the students of class 11 Sirius gave presentations on unconventional rights all around the globe in attendance of their subject teachers. Rights such as the Right to Privacy, Freedom of Speech, Animal Rights, the Right to Abortion, Freedom of Association, the Right against Exploitation, and Fundamental rights were discussed. After the presentations, the floor was open to the students of 11th and 12th Sirius for intense discussion. The session has introduced us to profound issues around the world and has also left us yearning for more such sessions in the future.
Kanakdeep Kaur, Student 11 Sirius



Achievements by our Little Orbiens- Logiquids

Congratulations! to all the winners of Logiquids (Final Stage Mental Aptitude Olympiad) which was conducted in the month of Mar-April 2022.

Class	Name of the student	International Rank
Sr.KG	Pranavi Bhushan Patil	International Rank 2
Sr.KG	Adhvik Sipani	International Rank 4
1	Avani Shelar	International Rank 3
4	Anavi Pasari	International Rank 3



Have fun learning French/ Hindi/

समझ गया यूँ दिल अब आपकी देरी का संदेश,
सरहद पर और हिम्मत दिखानी है कि याद करे हर देश!
पर अब नहीं मन लगता यूँ, हर रोज बुलाने में,
कि और कितनी देर है आपके घर आने में?
संध्या हुई, ना कोई चिट्ठी आई है,
ना डोर बेल बजी, शायद अभी भी बाकी लड़ाई है।
रो दूँ अब मैं, आशाएँ तो एक बहाना है,
यही बोलूँगी पिताजी कि कल घर जरूर आना है।
पैरवी पाठक, विद्यार्थी १० वेगा

कौन से घड़ी आई है
यह समय की कौन से घड़ी आई है
कि किसी नाव को रास्ता दिखाने की बजाय,
हम अपनी राह खो बैठे हैं।
यह समय की कौन से घड़ी आई है
कि गरीब की ना बात सुनी है, ना सुना है दर्द कभी
सब दिखता है सही यहाँ और असलियत

में इन सब की पहचान कुछ और ही।
यह समय ने कौन सा रुख ले लिया है
कि हम रौंद देते हैं उन सभी की परछाई को
जो अटल आज भी सत्य की राह पर खड़े हैं
यह समय किस और चल दिया है?

कि कैसे से बिकता है बाज़ार हम गलत को सही बता कर खड़े नहीं हो सकते खिलाफ!
यहाँ सिर्फ़ पैसे की आवाज़ है और पैसे की ही है यह दुनिया!
बदल गया है सब यहाँ
बस यही है इस समय की दुनिया |
पैरवी पाठक, विद्यार्थी १० वेगा

Personality of the month

Jane Austen was an English novelist primarily known for her six major novels. She was born in Steventon, Hampshire on 16th december, 1775. Jane's books are read all over the world and have been made into countless films, serials and plays. She started writing when she was a child and was mainly educated by her father. Her best book is *Pride and Prejudice*. It takes the top spot, and the position has not dwindled yet. Jane Austen was not a feminist in the way it is meant today. Her novels showcase gender biases of her days. Austen's plots often explore the dependence of women on marriage in the pursuit of favourable social standing and economic security. Although Jane herself lived a life atypical to her class and gender. She wanted to write and passed all opportunities to marry. It was unusual for women to be career minded in her times.

Jane wanted to become a published author. She learnt the system to become one and because it was not common for women to be authors, she published her books anonymously. Strangely her best book fetched her the least money while her least popular book, *Mansfield Park*, made her the most money. Jane once said, "People are more ready to borrow and praise, than to buy—which I cannot wonder at; but tho' I like praise as well as anybody, I like what Edward calls Pewter too." Since she was not an independently wealthy woman it is believed that her brothers covered the cost.

Jane Austen was a fashionista and a foodie. While visiting relatives in Bath, Jane shares her shopping pursuit of the latest rage of fake fruit on bonnets and writes to her sister Cassandra of her dilemma.

"I cannot help thinking that it is more natural to have flowers grow out of the head than fruit. What do you think on that subject?", she wrote to her sister.

The cause of Jane Austen's early death remains a mystery. Some believe that Addison's disease took her life, others feel it was arsenic poisoning. While we may never know what illness took her life on July 18, 1817, at the age of 41, the location of her final resting place only amplifies the mystery around the end of her days. Amazingly, Jane is buried in the north aisle of the nave of Winchester Cathedral. Because of the limited space inside a cathedral, those who are buried there are aristocrats, politicians, or the very wealthy. Jane does not fit this profile. She remained unknown and unexalted in her lifetime. Again, her front man brother Henry worked his connections and secured a grave for her on short notice. Her memorial gravestone was written by her older brother James and does not mention her achievements as a writer, only the "extraordinary endowments of her mind."

Jane Austen



Virtue Alone Ennobles

The Value Of Conservation

Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land -Aldo Leopold

Natural resources are produced naturally on Earth. They are an indispensable part of our lives. Natural resources include air, water, sunlight, coal, petroleum and natural gas. Some are renewable, however, they are being exploited by humans for economic gain and the fear of depletion lurks heavily. Being responsible beings only can save and sustain resources and ultimately us. Resource conservation means achieving more with less. It is only with wise management by the current generation that the future can be secured. Practicing the 3Rs, plastic avoidance, using eco-friendly products, planting trees should be our ways of life. Natural resources are for us and we must respect them. The rational use of natural resources helps maintain the earth's atmosphere. Also, its wise usage leads to protection of biodiversity. As human beings we cannot imagine our lives without these resources. Thus, the conservation of the same is essential.

Shruvil Srivastava, Student 10 Rigel

Teachers' Corner

IC3 - International Career and College Counseling Regional Forum (15th June)

The IC3 Regional Forum was held at The Kalyani School where Principals, Teachers and Counselors from various schools from across Pune met and interacted. It was a day-long workshop conducted by Mr. Ganesh Kohli the founder of IC3. The Chief Guest of the event was Mr. Mahesh Dharmadhikari, the Director of Regional office, CBSE, Pune. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Principal Director, Symbiosis Society gave a stimulating talk on skill-based education for undergraduate students. The IC3 movement's mission is to bring counseling to every school. Events are organized by the IC3 Regional Committees which bring together leaders and staff from high schools in local regions for a focused dialogue on the significance of career and college counseling as an integral part of the functioning of schools. It gives training to Principals, Teachers and Counselors.

Smita Pendarkar, VP Orbis 1

Yardstick Familiarization Session for Teachers (6th June)

The Yardstick vision is to make learning an enriching and joyful experience. Yardstick, designs and implements learning programs for children, engaging their keen, inquisitive and imaginative minds via hands-on educational activities. A workshop on Yardstick was conducted for classes 1-5 with the aim of generating meaningful awareness about Yardstick, its uses and ways to implement it.

Mr. Arun Kumar (representative from Yardstick) distributed various yardstick kits to teachers to aid them in creating concrete learning experiences through activity-based learning.

Arpita Saxena, CT 1 Rigel



Anushree Petkar - 6 Antares



Anvi Sisodia - 10 Sirius



Rudransh Gupta - 7 Deneb



Vedanti Sutar - 10 Deneb



Manan Chandak - 6 Vega



Tejas Latake 6 Vega



T Ishana - 8 Vega



Vedeeka Sandugade 7 - Deneb



Kruthik Devarashetty - 6 Vega

In house Cbse workshop, Experiential Learning and Integration across Curriculum (8th June and 10th June)

The in-house CBSE Workshop on Experiential Learning was conducted by Komal Pardeshi, CT, Class 2. . The objective of the workshop was to understand how to learn through experience. The workshop was highly interactive where other teachers were asked questions on what experiential learning means. The teacher explained how knowledge is gained by engaging in practical activities, that is, learning by doing. in daily activities, by doing. The teacher explained how experiential learning demarcates itself from traditional learning which involves only memorizing facts. Experiential learning involves feeling, watching, thinking and doing. The session ended with a video explaining experiential learning. The in-house CBSE Workshop on Art Integration across Curriculum was conducted by Arzeen Haider, CT, Class 1. The training brought to light how performing and visual arts help in curriculum integration. AIL involves experiential learning, it helps in retaining knowledge to a greater extent. The learning outcome of AIL is enjoyable, holistic and experiential.

Ruma Ghoshal, CT 2 Rigel



Parents' Prerogative



A Token of Appreciation

A good teacher is always self-motivated and helps in the building of a good community. A letter of appreciation for teachers reaffirms the values a school holds.

Dear Anuradha and Preeti ma'am,

I have been intending to write this mail for a long time only to keep things pending for the weekend. But it got pushed further. I got my son admitted to Nursery Orange this year and it has been weeks of surprise and awe for me since the school opened. Ehan was struggling with having to learn too many languages at the same time, so we restricted the speaking of English at home. But his learning in school has been tremendous. He has begun using phrases such as 'what happened?' 'here you go' 'I want this one' and even made us play 'ring around the roses' one day. Though I respect all languages, I hold no special fascination for the English language. What amazed me was the number of times these phrases must have been said, so that he could connect with them and repeat them with the correct intent. Small thing but a huge effort. Please consider this mail as a note of thanks for Arpita ma'am and the entire nursery team.

Ekta Chakraborty, Parent Ehan, Nursery

The Orbis Family

The Orbis school has become a second abode to my child. From teachers to maushis to the transport staff, everyone instill a sense of belonging in the children. The school provides the optimum environment for all round development of children who have lost so much of their school days in the pandemic. At the same time, the virus protocols, hygiene and medical awareness is followed to keep healthy and stress-free premises. Shalaka mentions about her 'Aina' (Alina) ma'am and how maushis take care of her, all the time. Her vocabulary is expanding every day with phrases and words such as circle time, sleeping line, standing line and also the broken names of her friends. I hope to see my child grow up to be a compassionate and capable human being. I believe that the Orbis School will go a long way in shaping this vision of mine.

Swagata Saha, Parent of Shalaka, Nursery

Yoga for the Mind and Soul

The week-long yoga session was conducted by yoga master Ankush Nawale, who provided good information on the benefits of various yoga asanas and the protocol to be followed for the 8th International Day of Yoga. It was celebrated on 21st June 2022 and was a very good initiative taken by the school to increase awareness of Yoga and its celebration in India.

My daughter attended yoga sessions for the first time. It was a great experience for her to wake up early and practice yoga at 6 am. under the guidance of a yoga master. Overall a refreshing and relaxing opportunity to exercise outdoors, in fresh air.

Sumita Shirodkar, Parent of Krita Nikhil Shirodkar, Class 5 Vega

Parents Teachers Association (25th June)

The formation of the Executive Committee for the Parents Teachers Association was done on Saturday, the 25th of June, 2022. Parent members along with the Secretary and Joint Secretary were selected by a draw of lots. We congratulate all office bearers and members and look forward to a fruitful association together.

Parent Teacher Meet (2nd July)

Classes 10 and 12 had taken their first periodic test in the month of June. With the answers papers all checked and graded, a Parent-Teacher Meet was held to share and understand the achievements, needs and challenges of each student, individually. It is imperative to apprise the parents about the performance of their wards in order to have their involvement and support. It was a well conducted and organized meet.



I can do it!

- Which are the six books written by Jane Austen
- In Jane Austen's comic novel, Emmal, what is the title character's surname?
- Jane was born in 1775 in which English county?
- In Pride and Prejudice, what is Mr. Darcy's first name?

Thought for the month

Summer was our best season: it was sleeping on the back screened porch in cots, or trying to sleep in the treehouse; summer was everything good to eat; it was a thousand colors in a parched landscape- Harper Lee

