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From the Principal's Desk

Change is the only constant.

Heraclitus was a Greek philosopher. He once said that no man ever steps in the same river twice. This thought is a universal truth and has been ever since the Earth was created. It is not just humankind that experiences change. Nature, all living creatures, planetary bodies, weather, even the tallest mountains and the mighty oceans experience change. That is what makes life around us beautiful and exciting. The world would be such a bland space if leaves did not change colour, if they did not shed and then tiny, baby leaves were not born to adorn the tree once again.



मृष्टी नियमानुसार अंधारातून प्रकाशाकडे या प्रमाणेच निरसर्गातील कोणताही सजीव अधिकाधिक सुखदायक व आनंददायक परिस्थिती प्राप्त करण्यासाठी सातत्याने प्रयत्न करत असतो. मनुष्य हा सर्वात बुद्धिमान प्राणी असून आपले जीवन सुखकर करण्यासाठी तो पिढ्यान् पिढ्या अनुभव व निरीक्षणातून आपल्या जीवनात बदल घडवून आणतो.

It fills the lives and hearts of parents with immense joy when they watch their little ones grow and change in many ways. From the summer sun to the fragrance of petrichor in the rains and from dry autumn air to the cool winter winds, the dance of change is divine.

But all changes will not sing a delightful song, for life is not idyllic. Pain, sorrows, and agony are a very crucial part of living for each one. It is suffering that makes us resilient and it is only when we are struggling, that we learn. We learn to be brave and overcome, we learn to be kind and share, and we also learn that our sorrows are not constant. Buddha preached, 'Everything changes, and nothing lasts forever'. His final words express that impermanence is inescapable. Everything disappears. Therefore, one must continue on the ever changing path with diligence, calmly and mindfully. The good thing about change is that it brings with it opportunities and new energies. That is what makes life worth living and experiencing, in the truest sense.

Smita Pendharkar, VP

Big News!

Congratulations Team Orbis!

We are proud and pleased to inform you that 'The Orbis School' is Ranked No.1 in Integrated Learning under the Category – CBSE Parameter in a survey conducted by EducationToday and has received The Times School Survey 2022- Teaching Excellence and Academic Excellence Award by the Times Of India.

Outstanding Achievement!

The Unique Classroom Engagement Initiatives Award is bestowed upon us by EducationToday. At Orbis, the prime focus is on the holistic development of students and learning beyond the curriculum in a fun way. Keep up the good work Team Orbis!



Flavours from our orchard

Water Transport (3rd-11th November)

Different types of water transport were introduced to the tiny tots of the pre-primary classes. They made paper boats and coloured them using the fingerprint technique. The Sr. KG children did the Tearing and Pasting activity to create their own boats. Through planned activities and later reinforcement sessions, the children were able to understand the topic well.

Principa Daniel, CT Jr. KG Mango



Air Transport (14th-18th November)

Air transport is the fastest means of transport. The Nursery, Jr. KG and Sr. KG children enjoyed art and craft activities based on the topic. They made paper hot balloons, drew aircraft of different types in their scrapbooks and also shared what they knew about aeroplanes. Their teachers helped them learn more through videos, pictures and class discussions.

Principa Daniel, CT Jr. KG Mango



Class Photograph (21st November)

School photographs are memories saved for a lifetime. The little Orbiens were visibly excited when they posed, along with their classmates and teachers, for the class photograph. Students came to school in proper uniform and smartly turned out for the day. It was endearing to see how each one came immaculately dressed.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr. KG Apple

Plants (21st-25th November)

Students of the Nursery class enjoyed activities related to the topic, Plants. They collected leaves of different shapes and colours which they later pasted in their drawing files. The Jr. KG students learnt about the parts of a plant. The students of the Sr. KG, through practical work, saw the process of germination. Taking baby steps into the world of science and our environment, the little ones are learning more and more every day.

Meenu Sharma, CT Sr. KG Mango



Puberty - A Workshop (20th October)

The students of Classes 5 and 6 attended a workshop on puberty that was very efficiently conducted by Dr. Payal Agarwal. To educate the growing boys and girls about the changes they see in their physical and emotional beings during this phase, Dr. Agarwal shared facts and scientific information that were age appropriate. Children were also made to understand that it was okay to talk to a known adult about how they felt as that would help them understand things better and feel at ease. The process of maturation from childhood to adulthood was very well explained. Signs and stages of puberty were also explained in simple terms.

Neelima Kotrike, CT 5 Deneb



Inter-House One Act Play (20th October)

The students of Class 7 performed a one-act play in Hindi on the story of Papa Kho Gaye. This activity was conducted House-wise where each House enacted the play in its own way. A lot of effort and thought went into the performances, which made them fun to watch. Interesting hand-made props made the show very entertaining. Students had fun working together and, in the process learnt a lot.

Geet Kothari, Student 7 Deneb



SOF - IEO (3rd November)

The Science Olympiad Foundation inspires young minds through Knowledge Olympiads. The SOF International English Olympiad 2022-23 was taken by students from Classes 1-12. The question paper was divided into four sections: Word and Structure Knowledge, Reading, Spoken and Written Expression and Achievers Section. All questions were mandatory, with no negative marking. Clear instructions were given in the question paper and answers were marked by students on OMR sheets. There were fifty questions in all to be attempted in one hour. The SOF IEO was conducted as per the rules specified.

Tanvi Jain, Student 7 Antares

Ayaansh - Workshop on Armed Forces (4th November)

On the fourth of November, Major General Ajay Pal Singh and his colleagues from the Ayaansh Leadership Academy conducted a workshop to inspire the bright and promising youth of the Orbis School to join the armed forces and serve the country in the best way possible. The armed forces offer not just a career, but a way of life. He spoke about how one must prepare for this and the opportunities available for the different streams taken by the students. The talk helped a lot of students rethink their futures and chart a new course with the information shared. It would make the Orbis School proud to have its alumni serving in the Indian Army, the Navy and the Air Force.

Abhilash Kar, Student 11 Sirius



General Knowledge Quiz (9th November)

A General Knowledge Quiz was held at the Orbis School to give the students a chance to brush up and update their awareness on National and International events of the world. The students were enthused about the quiz and engaged themselves completely in a spirit of healthy competition. They read about the progress and activities taking place in the fields of literature, science, politics, sports and much more.

Nalini Saklani, CT 3 Vega

Periodic Review - 2 (11th November to 22nd December)

Periodic Reviews are conducted to assess students' understanding of everything that has been done in class. It helps teachers to get a better understanding of areas that need to be revisited and thus helps them better plan for future lessons, keeping in mind the needs of the students. This session of Periodic Review-2 for Classes 1-2 began on 11th November 2022. Regular RLs were conducted before the Periodic Review which helped students perform better.

Ruma Ghosal, CT 2 Rigel

Children's Day (14th November)

A day to commemorate the birth anniversary of the first Prime Minister of Independent India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, fondly known as Chacha Nehru, was well spent at the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar. To make it a memorable experience, many exciting activities were planned for the entire school. Puppet shows are always a big attraction for children. Keeping this in mind a puppet show was organised for the students of Pre-Primary and Lower Primary. Teachers conducted the morning assembly in their respective wings. The reversal of roles brought smiles on the faces of all. This was followed by cultural programmes coordinated by the teaching staff. Dance, music, skits and comedy shows filled the space with giggles and laughs, which warmed the cockles of each teacher's heart. Small tokens of love in the form of craft work were taken home by the younger children. The Nursery as well as Class 2 made bookmarks whereas Jr. KG and Sr. KG made hand fans out of paper cups. Teachers expressed their appreciation for each child through happy words. Delicious snacks were served to the students which they enjoyed eating with their friends.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr.KG Apple



Orbision (14th November)

The Annual Science Exhibition of the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar, set a momentum of energetic activities amongst the students of Classes 6 to 12. After almost a month of working on models, charts and experiments based on scientific concepts, it was time to display them. The Hydraulic Arm, the Spaceship, Laser Security System, models of the Heart, the Nervous System and a working dam were some of the exhibits of the day. It was encouraging to see how interested and diligent the participating students were. Children, visiting the Orbision, were filled with awe and curiosity on seeing the outstanding work done.

Kaarunya Anklekar, Student 9 Antares



LogiQids (18th, 21st November)

LogiQids, a test of Intelligence Quotient, was conducted for Classes Sr. KG to 10. Sample papers helped the students practise and revise concepts. Competitive exams such as the LogiQids give students an opportunity to step outside the realms of comfort and stretch themselves to their fullest potential.

Amrita Kar Dhar, CT Jr. KG Apple

SOF-IMO (22nd November)

The Science Olympiad Foundation promotes continuous learning in the fields of English, Science, Social Science, Mathematics, General Knowledge and Computer Education. The International Mathematics Olympiad enhances students' knowledge of logical and mathematical reasoning along with everyday Mathematics. Many students from Classes 1-10 took the Mathematics Olympiad thus challenging themselves beyond the school's curriculum.

Anuja Jain, CT 4 Sirius

Orbisports (26th November)

The Orbians exhibited true sportsmanship on the sportsfield making each one proud of being a part of the Orbis School. OrbiSports was held at the Mahalakshmi Ground, Kharadi on November 18 for Classes 1 to 12. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Deepak Vijay Shilamkar, a cricketer. After almost a month of intense practice and later the heats, athletes put their best foot forward. The Flower Drill was very gracefully performed by the students of Class 4, followed by an energetic Lezim Dance by the middle school. A karate display, races and relays filled the air with enthusiastic cheers and shouts. The March Past was a display of precision and perfection. Prizes were awarded to the winners by the Chief Guest, Director Principal, Ms. Gunjan Srivastava, Vice Principal, Ms. Smita Pendharkar and other dignitaries.

Madhura Joshi, Student 7 Rigel




Club of the month

The Quiz Club

The Quiz Club of the Orbis School is an interactive and very busy club. Sharing and updating on events happening around the world in all fields of information and learning is its main motive. Regular in-house quizzes are conducted. The members of the team are informed well in advance in order to give them enough time to prepare. It is our endeavour to promote quizzing amongst young and thinking minds, to create curiosity and make the process of learning fun and interesting.

Aarti Raina, CT 4 Antares




Special Assemblies

Children's Day (14 November)

In honour of the young and growing students of the Orbis School and the special occasion of Children's Day, a special assembly was presented by Classes 3-5. The importance of the day was expressed through poems and speeches and the children were dressed like Chacha Nehru. Teachers sang melodious songs for the little ones to make their day a memorable one. The children had a good time and enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

Arsheem Shaikh, CT 3 Deneb



Sarva Dharm Sabha (15th November)

Sarva Dharma Sabha was observed in the Orbis School to celebrate the ideology of equality amongst all religions. Mahatma Gandhi played a significant role in not only spreading but also following this thought. He firmly believed that all religions must be respected equally, and that coexistence is the key to peaceful living. In the same endeavour, on this day, a special assembly was held where teachers recited prayers in different languages and religions to help children appreciate the diversity of our country.

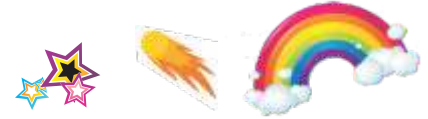
Ishita Bagchi, CT 2 Antares

Our Green Ways

We, at the Orbis School, continuously strive to conduct activities that can make students aware about environmental deterioration and ways to prevent it. Students of the Nature Club have come up with ideas such as the Plastic-free Lunchbox Campaign and a ban on all single-use plastic water bottles as part of their action plan. They have elected Climate Leaders and Energy Angels, who are mindful and conscious about the environmental health of the school. Small steps like switching off lights and fans when not in use, keeping the classroom clean can help in a big way. There are many environmentally friendly things that we do to help protect the planet and prevent climate change. These include setting up recycling schemes and finding greener ways to travel to and from school. Using paper bags instead of plastic bags, encouraging reusable cutlery and bottles and recycling soft plastics. Our endeavour is to reduce plastic footprints as much as we can.

Namisha Nigam, CT 9 Antares

I did it



Inter House Results:

Event/ Participating Classes	GK Quiz (1-5)	Cricket	Foot- ball	Basket- ball	Throw- ball	Athletics	Martial Arts	Skating	Chess
EXPLORERS	6	2	8	8	4	8	4	8	4
GUARDIANS	4	4	6	6	8	4	8	4	2
INNOVATORS	2	8	4	4	6	6	2	6	8
VANGUARDS	8	6	2	2	2	2	6	2	6

Inter-school Football Tournament

Kudos and many congratulations to the Orbis School, Keshav Nagar Football Team! At the Euro School Football Tournament, the Under 12 boys won the Runners Up trophy and the Under 16 boys won the final match against the Orbis School, Mundhwa, Boys Football Team. Both the groups put up a great fight and played exceptionally well. We feel immensely proud of them.

Skating Competition

Puranjay Gupta a student of Jr. KG Apple participated in a special group skating event which was organised to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Indian Independence. The team set a world record of skating non-stop for an hour. It is a commendable achievement at such a young age. Congratulations and may Puranjay continue to set many more records in the future.



On 15th of August, Gargi Gupta, Class 2 Antares was honoured by the World Records, India for skating for an hour, in traditional Indian attire, holding the Indian National Flag. We feel very proud of her and congratulate her.

Inter-school Event

Students of the senior secondary section participated in an inter-school competition held at the Amity Global Business School, Shivajinagar. We congratulate all the winners. **Oma Sharma**, Class 11 Deneb, **Kanakdeep Kaur**, Class 11 Sirius and **Om Patki**, Class 11 Vega won the first prize in debates. They were awarded with a trophy along with a cash prize of Rs. 2500. In the painting competition, the first prize was won by **Swanandi Thakre**, Class 11 Sirius. She was awarded with a trophy. The Best Speaker Award was given to **Anwvesha Mukherjee**, Class 11 Sirius. She carried home a certificate.



Impressions and Expressions

Thunder in The Rain

Their words hit like
Thunder in the Rain
Short but massive
Betraying all the confidence and
happiness
They do not stop after one strike
No, they strike again and again
Until you are convinced
You are worthless
And better off dead
They are bright enough to blind you

From the vision
you have of
yourself
And make it darker
As if you were
blindfolded
You cannot ask
them to stop
For just like nature
They are
Thunder in the Rain
Anwita Mandrekar, Student 10 Vega



School

Where talent shines bright and
neat,
Where differences and troubles
lie asleep.
Up the road and over the field,
That's the place for students
like me.
Where the choir sings the
latest,
Where teachers are the
sweetest,

Where the mind is
without fear and free,
That's the place for
students like me.
Where learning is
celebrated,
Where there is truth
in everything I just
stated,
Where there is no limit for goals and
dreams,
School is the place for students like me.
Shivanjali Rai, Student 6 Antares



Have fun learning French

Novembre - le onzième mois de l'année.

who has been serving as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom since 25th October 2022 and Leader of the Conservative Party since 24th October 2022. Rishi Sunak grew up watching his parents serve their local community with dedication. His father worked at the National Health Service as General Practitioner Novembre est quand on sort nos manteaux. C'est une belle période où les roses rouges fleurissent avec les chrysanthèmes, les tulipes et les dahlias. Dans l'hémisphère nord, c'est le mois de l'automne et dans l'hémisphère sud c'est le printemps.

En France, il fait froid, gris et pluvieux. Les français célèbrent La Toussaint (le premier novembre), quand ils honorent les morts; et La fête de l'Armistice (le 11 novembre) qui marque la fin de la 1ère guerre mondiale. Les familles visitent les tombes de leurs proches. Le Beaujolais Nouveau (Fête du Vin Nouveau), est célébré le troisième jeudi du mois, où de nouveaux vins sont introduits avec de la musique et des fêtes.

En Inde, on célèbre de nombreuses fêtes culturelles et religieuses en novembre comme Diwali, c'est aussi appelé la fête des lumières qui célèbre le retour de Rama à son royaume après un exil de 14 ans. Cette fête est également dédiée à Lakshmi, la déesse de la fortune. On décore les maisons avec des lampes et on prépare de bons aliments.

Novembre est un mois joyeux que tout le monde aime.

November - the eleventh month of the year

November is the time when we pull out our coats. It is a beautiful time when red roses bloom along with chrysanthemums, tulips and dahlias. In the Northern Hemisphere, November is the month of autumn and in the Southern Hemisphere it is spring.

In France, it is cold, grey and rainy. The French celebrate All Saints' Day on 1st November when they honour the dead; and Armistice Day on 11th November, which marks the end of the First World War. Families visit the graves of their loved ones. The Beaujolais Nouveau (New Wine Festival) is celebrated on the third Thursday of the month, where new wines are released with music and parties.

In India, many cultural and religious festivals are celebrated in November such as Diwali, also called the festival of lights, which celebrates the return of Rama to his kingdom after fourteen years in exile. This festival is also dedicated to Lakshmi, the Goddess of Fortune. The houses are decorated with lamps and delicious food is prepared. November is a joyful month which everyone adores.

Anya Gaur, Student 9 Sirius



How to begin and end a conversation in French

Salut! Hi!

Vas-tu? How are you?

Tu t'appelles?: What is your name?

Il y a des salutations qui sont utilisées pour montrer du respect à une personne: There are some greetings that are used to show respect to a person.

Bonjour / Bonsoir / Bonne nuit! Good Morning / Evening / Night!

Allez-vous?: How are you?

Vous appelez-vous?: What is your name?

To reply to these greetings-

Ça va bien, merci: I am fine, thank you.

Et vous/toi?: And you?

After the conversation, end it in a polite manner-

Au revoir! Goodbye!

Sachchit Shankaran, Student 8 Vega



Special Assembly on Gandhi Jayanti (3rd October)

A special assembly was conducted by Class 3, on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, to pay homage to the Father of our Nation. Students expressed their views on his life, recited a poem and presented a brief account of his teachings.

Nalini Saklani, CT 3 Vega

Personality of the month

Rishi Sunak, born 12 May 1980, is a British politician and his mother ran her own local chemist shop. He wanted to make a positive difference to people, just like his parents did, as their Member of Parliament. Sunak was first elected to represent this constituency in 2015 and re-elected in 2017 and 2019. Sunak lives in Kirby Sigston, just outside Northallerton.

He has been fortunate to enjoy a successful business career. "I co-founded a large investment firm, working with companies from Silicon Valley to Bangalore. Then I used that experience to help small and entrepreneurial British companies grow successfully". From working in his mother's tiny chemist shop to building large businesses, Sunak has learnt why and how politicians should support free enterprise and innovation to ensure future prosperity. "My parents sacrificed a great deal so I could attend good schools. I was lucky to study at Winchester College, Oxford University and Stanford University. That experience changed my life and as a result, I am passionate about ensuring that everybody has access to a great education". Sunak has been a school governor and a board member of a large youth club and has always volunteered his time towards education programmes that spread opportunity.

"I have been lucky to live, study and work internationally". He met his wife, Akshata, in California where they lived for a few years before returning home. They have two daughters, Krishna and Anoushka, who keep them busy and entertained. In his spare time, he enjoys keeping fit, playing cricket, football and watching movies. In July 2019 he was appointed Chief Secretary to the Treasury. In February 2020, Sunak had the honour to be appointed Chancellor of the Exchequer, a position he held until July 2022. On October 25, Sunak was appointed UK Prime Minister, becoming the first prime minister of England having an Indian origin background.



Kanakdeep Kaur, Student 11 Sirius

Rishi Sunak



Virtue Alone Ennobles

Fortitude – The Guard and Support of All Other Virtues

Fortitude is having the courage to stand up against our inner cowardice. Fortitude is having the courage to judge ourselves without biases. If we are on the wrong track, deciding to retreat is fortitude even if a hundred people are headed in the same direction. It is standing up with our head held high in extreme adversities. It is showing courage while taking that scary leap. Fortitude teaches us a very valuable lesson-Now is a better time than later. This seems small but holds deep meaning. Being brave helps us face hardships with the right thoughts and state of mind. Our fortitude or inner bravery is within us. It might not seem extraordinary to someone else but at the end of the day if we feel happy about our deeds, it's a day well spent. Fear is an emotion all creatures hold but if we focus on our dreams rather than our fears, the journey to achieving our goals gets easier.



Gayathridevi Jayachandran, Student 10 Sirius

Teachers' Corner



Decision making for Progressive Schools (11th November)

Ms Sarita Mathur, a mathematician by profession and a leadership coach, conducted a workshop on decision making in progressive schools at the Novotel Hotel. She focussed on four basic principles of problem solving namely, understanding the problem, devising a plan, carrying out the plan and looking back. The session was enlightening. It was a well-planned and structured workshop which was beautifully articulated with some hands-on learning activities that kept us engaged throughout the session.

Smita Pendharkar, VP

Parents' Prerogative



Words of Appreciation

This is my honest feedback. My son Giyansh Kumar, Jr. KG Mango, is a hyperactive child and does not stay still, but he really likes to attend school and is delighted about the extracurricular activities. He enthusiastically asks about his homework and is happy to go to school everyday. His class teacher always gives us positive feedback and encourages us to actively participate in his growth. At this young age, he is getting all kinds of exposure, including stage performance. I am confident about his growth and him having a healthy mindset.

Rachana Priyadarshi, Parent of Giyansh Kumar, Jr.KG Mango

My child Aitesha Tirpude is studying in Jr. KG Orange. She joined the Orbis School in the month of April. Due to the pandemic, she completed her nursery through online mode. So firstly, I was very sceptical about her behaviour in school, as she had not attended physical school until then and as expected she in the earlier months used to yell and cry every morning and showed reluctance when it was time to get ready for school. But there has been a sudden change in her attitude since mid-May. She has become confident and most importantly she has begun loving her school, her classmates, and her class teacher. Now, at home, on weekends she cries to go to school. Aitesha is so well behaved that in the morning she wishes everyone. There are a lot of positive changes in her. I am so grateful and thankful to all her teachers for their constant guidance and support especially to Dorothy Ma'am who made an angelic appearance in her life and helped her adjust so well.

Sneha Anand, Parent of Aitesha Tirpude, Jr. KG Orange



Parent Teachers Meet- 2 (19th November)

The Parent Teachers Meeting of the Pre-Primary wing was held to discuss the scholastic as well as non-scholastic progress of the children. It was an online meet held through Google Classroom. Parents and teachers shared and exchanged views and concerns keeping in mind the best interest of the children.

Uttama Purohit, CT Sr. KG Apple



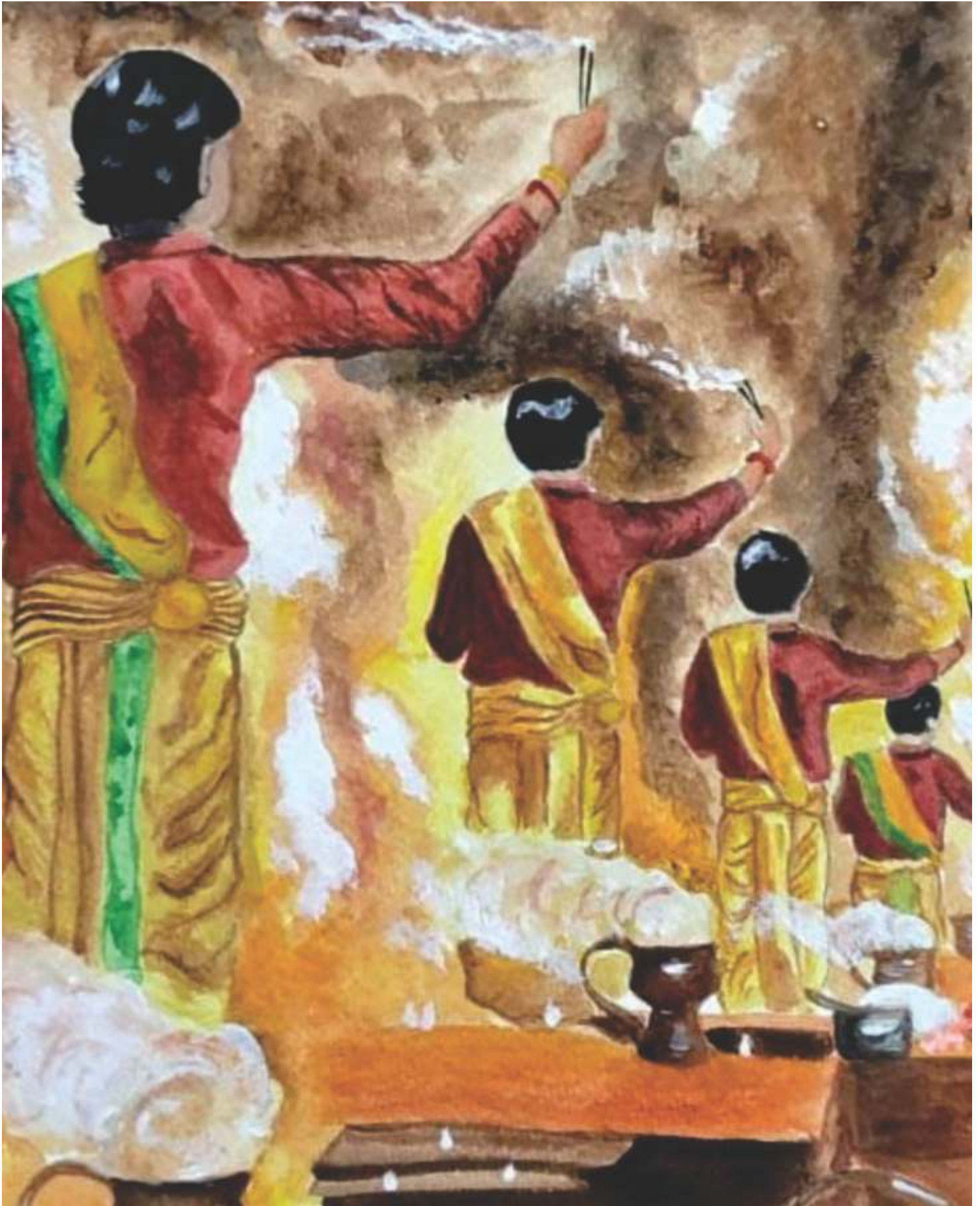
Did You Know?

November's full Moon is traditionally called the Beaver Month.

Why this name?

In the colonial era, this was the month to set one's beaver traps before the swamps froze and beavers retired to their lodges to ensure a supply of warm winter furs.

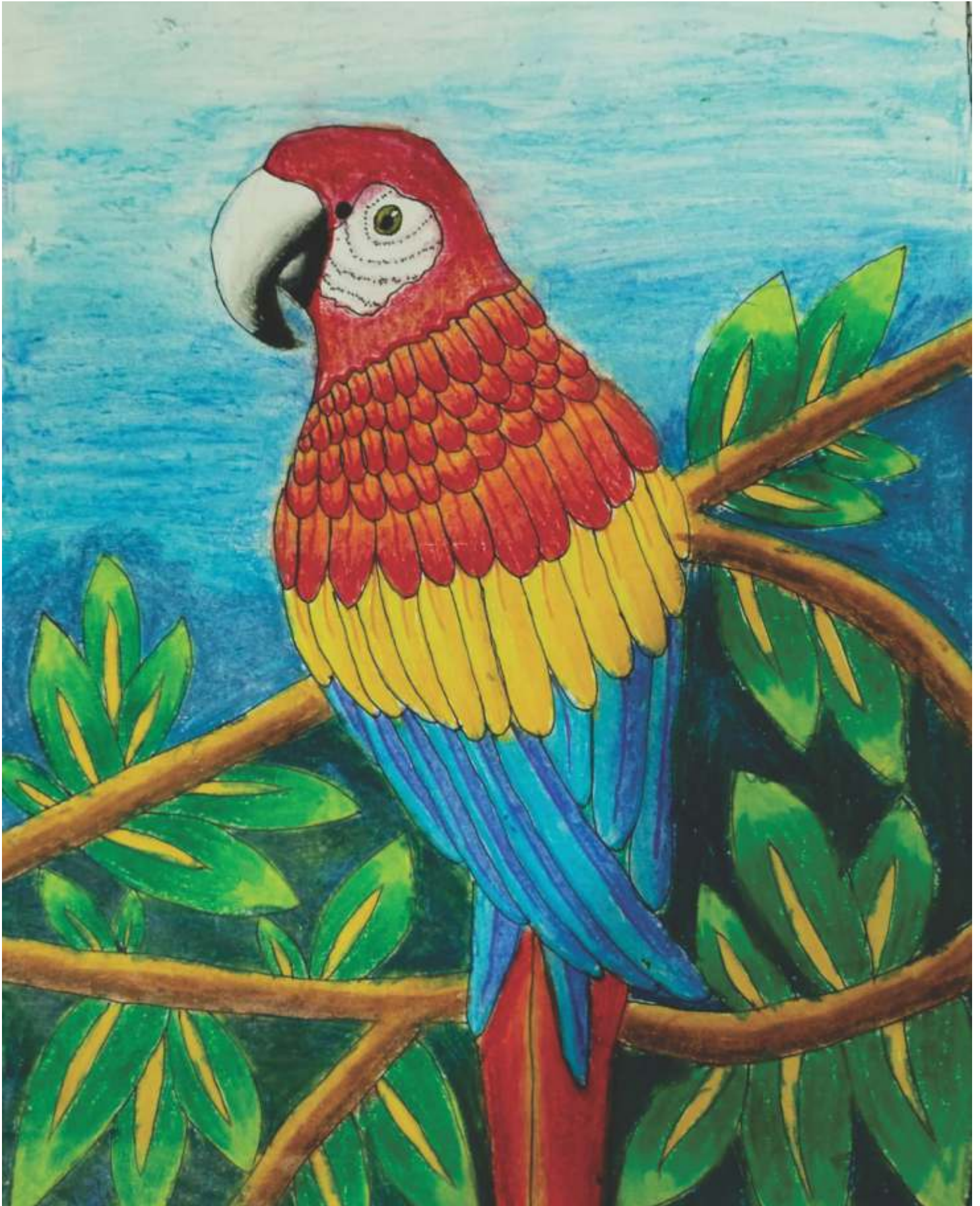




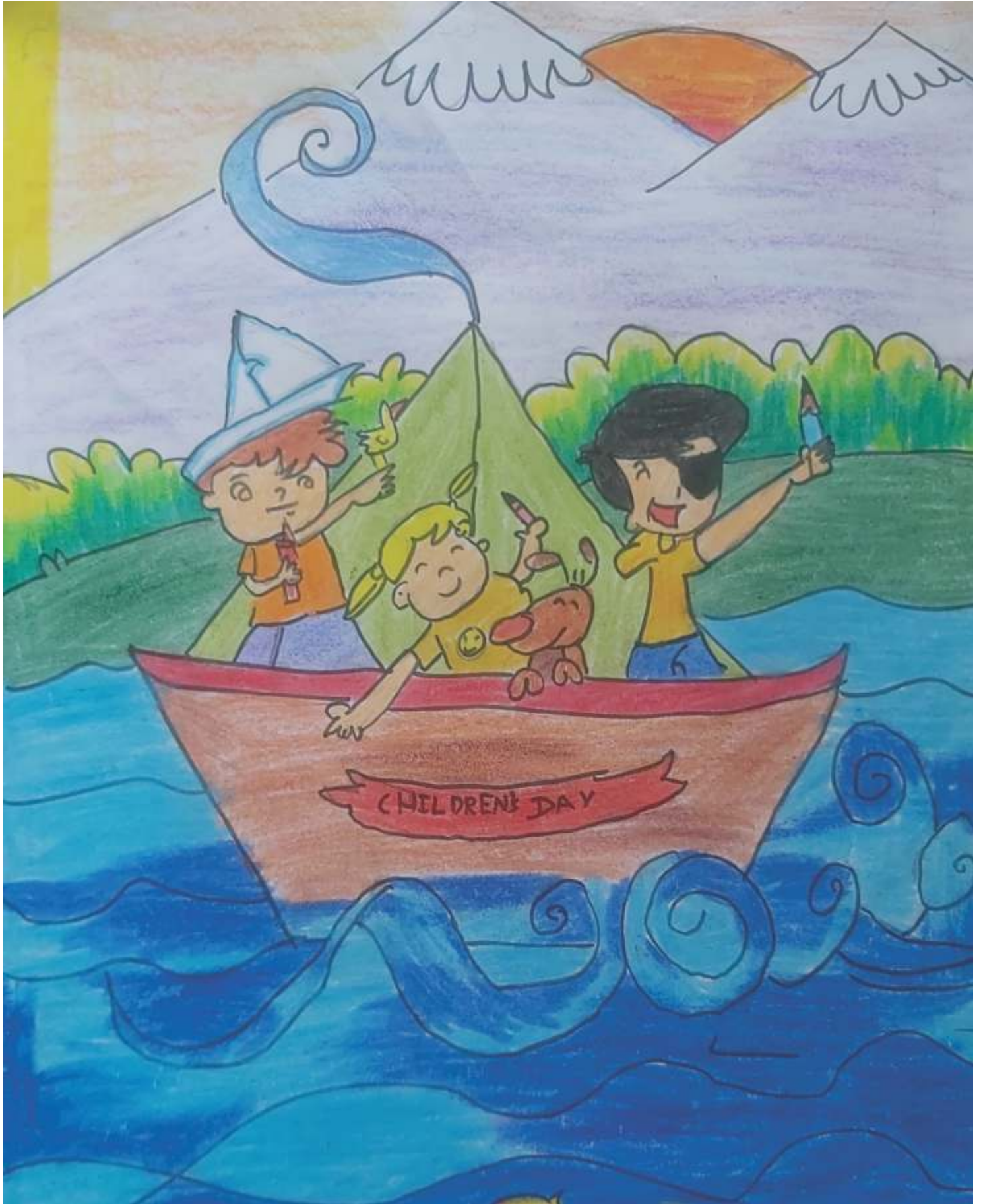
Anvesha B, 11 Vega



Ayush Kumar, Class 7 Deneb



Yashvi Satardekar, 6 Vega



Arjit Bhujbal, 3 VEGA



Maahir Rawal 10 Rigel



1. When and where was Rishi Sunak born?
2. Which party does Rishi Sunak belong to?
3. Rishi completed his MBA from which college?
4. On 17th March 2020, Sunak introduced a programme providing 330 billion Pound in an emergency to support which sector?



From the Editorial Team:

Love Yourself

As the year is swiftly drawing to an end, it is important to introspect on the things we have done this year. It has been a challenging time for many of us. The lockdown transformed us a lot, emotionally and physically. We now tend to get a little more sensitive and temperamental at times, even harsh on ourselves. This is the time to appreciate oneself. Self-love could be one of the ways. Accepting oneself with all the flaws helps in building self-esteem. Trying to be perfect can be burdensome and not good for mental health. Self-love is about identifying our needs and interests and following them - it's about doing what we really love. There are times when we need to put ourselves first. It is okay to take a break. Telling ourselves that we matter can prove helpful. It's a long path but by the end of it we will find ourselves stronger, healthier and more confident.

Jhanvi Pendyala, Student 9 Antares



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Thought for the month

What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness
- John Steinbeck

