



# THE OBERAI SCHOOL OF INTEGRATED STUDIES

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## From the Editor's Desk

Greetings to all! A very warm welcome to another issue of PULSE! September is here, which means so are the Half-Yearly Examinations. Therefore, this month the students tend to draw more attention to their studies and decrease their participation in extra-curricular activities.

It is very important for students to find the right balance between studies, sports and extra-curricular activities. This is a primary intention of the school because only after achieving this objective, will the students be able to develop a well-rounded personality. This month did seem to go by in a flash. It feels as though just yesterday, my classmates and I counted the weeks that were left for our midterms. This time, the juniors are off to Jim Corbett National Park, while the seniors leave for Chopta. It is time for us all to gear up to enjoy and learn lessons from these journeys.

This month has been extremely productive for all the Integrators, not only because of the exams, but also the various events that were conducted right after. We started with the Math quiz, followed by an Inter House Kho-Kho Competition, and so much more, all the articles about which you will find in this newsletter. Along with these events, the preparations for Autumn Rustle have been going on in full swing. The students and teachers are truly making their best efforts to put up an extremely enjoyable show. I wish everyone all the very best in making this Autumn Rustle a memorable one for everyone.

With so much happening, no wonder September went by so quickly. With this I bid you farewell for now, until next time. Happy reading to all!

-Tarana Kapur, VIII A





## Inter School Soccer Tournament

*“I am not a perfectionist, but I like to feel that things are done well. More important than that, I feel an endless need to learn, to improve, to evolve, not only to please the coach and the fans, but also to feel satisfied with myself. It is my conviction that here are no limits to learning, and that it can never stop, no matter what our age.”*

— Cristiano Ronaldo

We work hard to achieve goals no matter what field we are trying to excel in. Sometimes, upon giving our best, we obtain the result we wished for, but other times even our best just isn't good enough. What do we do then? Give up? Do we work harder or just keep doing what we were doing and hope that someday it will be good enough? Well, I think it is safe to say that not giving up is one of the primary lessons we learn from playing sports. These lessons are taught to the Integrators every single day.

From 27<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019, The OASIS conducted its very first Inter - School Soccer Tournament, The OASIS Junior Cup. Two separate soccer teams for the girls and boys were trained for the competition. Various other schools participated including Hopetown Girls School, Doon Presidency School and Him Jyoti School. All the schools sent their best players resulting in very strong teams and even stronger, yet healthy competition. The teams from The OASIS, unfortunately were not prepared enough to win the cup, but due to the same “never give up” attitude, both the teams are back in training and working towards doing better next time, keeping in mind the lessons they learnt. After all, we cannot stop shooting our shot till we score! The tournament was a great learning experience for the students as for some of them it was the first real series of matches they had played. The players are extremely grateful to have gotten this opportunity.

Extending special thanks to the Sports Department coach Mr. Rajeev Negi and Mrs. Payal Dinesh Rawat, without whom this event would not have been possible.

Tarana Kapur, VIII-A



## An Eye for an Eye - A Talk on Cornea Donation

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2019, there was a talk on Cornea donation at The OASIS by Doctor Neeti Gupta, Medical Director and Cornea specialist at AIIMS, Rishikesh.

The talk was mainly about the problem of corneal blindness and eye donation. Eye donation is the donation of the cornea to an eye bank after the death of the donor. These corneas can be used to cure corneal blindness. Corneal blindness is a disease, which affects the transparency of the cornea and leads to blindness. 20% of the blind population of the world resides in India out of which 6-7 million people are suffering from corneal blindness. This corneal blindness can be treated with corneal transplant, which can be done only when people agree to donate their corneas.

There is huge shortage of corneas in India. The corneal collection by the eye banks is only 25% of what is required in India. This is because of myths, old beliefs and a lack of awareness. USA and Sri Lanka are the top 2 exporters of corneas. Anybody can contribute to make India one of the top suppliers of corneas by pledging to donate their eyes after death and by making eye donation a family tradition. Some members of Team OASIS have pledged to spread awareness about this issue and also to donate their corneas.

**(For eye donation: contact Rishikesh Eye Bank ph.no: 91-906 856 3883)**

Siddhant Gupta (VIII)

## The Lazy Leopard

The students of class II A presented a play on the theme - Justice. The name of the play was "The Lazy Leopard". Some of our parents attended and witnessed it, and they all truly loved it.

We practiced very hard for our performance and it could not have been possible without the support of our class teacher, Anshika Ma'am.

Ms. Shweta Vij, our drama teacher, prepared the wonderful script of the play and Mr. Manoj Rawat, from the Art department prepared beautiful masks as well as posters for the presentation.



To conclude the play, we performed a short dance on the same theme. Everyone was mesmerized after witnessing our presentation.

Kamaira Rawat, II A

## Ankuram Inter House Dance Competition

The Inter House Dance Competition was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September 2019. A team of students, from each of the Ankuram houses, participated. All the dances were based on the theme “Save the Environment”. The judges for the competition were Mrs Himani Kala and Mrs Natascha Nandi. The task of compering was given to Ojas Panwar of class V.

The songs each House danced to are as follows:

- Starling House - Mati Mati Re
- Pelican House - Tik Tik Plastic
- Oriole House - Aao Ham Sab Haath Milaye
- Cardinal House - Sawan Aayo Re

All the performances were different and unique. The Head of School, Head Junior School, teachers and students witnessed the programme. Everyone enjoyed the performances. To conclude the programme, the Head of School addressed the audience and participants. The results were declared on Friday, the 6<sup>th</sup> of September. Oriole House was announced as the runner up, while Pelican House bagged the first position.

- Mouli Panwar, V B

## Teacher's Day Celebration



On 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2019, the children of The OASIS celebrated Teacher's Day to make the teachers feel special. The day was a memorable one, both for the teachers and the students.

The students had planned a surprise assembly for the teachers. There was a lot of fun planned for the assembly. There were dances, songs and a “Guess the Teacher” game for the students as names of famous personalities were called out and the students had to guess which teacher





he/she was referring to. The students of class VII presented a short, humorous and surely entertaining skit for everyone. This was followed by a musical performance of the songs by the girls of class V.

After the assembly, a treasure hunt was conducted by the students for the teachers. The treasure was a box full of chocolates. Then came the best part of the day- the teacher vs students football match. To our amazement, the teachers won that match by 4 - 2. This was a memorable day for all and an unforgettable one as well.

At the end of the day, the teachers left school with handmade cards from the students and wide smiles on their faces.

-Pratika Patel, VI A

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## Mathematics Quiz



Those who are good at Mathematics are truly talented and in order to search for this talent in our school, the Math Department at The OASIS organised an Inter House Math Quiz which was an amazing logical and a calculating contest. Two students from each house took part. The competition was divided into three rounds; the qualifier round, the semi-final and the final round.

The qualifier round decided which team went to the semifinals. There were four teams of which only three would qualify, so the players were all under great pressure. Before the questions were asked, the participants were given chits with numbers written on them and the number decided the turn for the participant. One participant from each team had to go and answer 20 questions in 90 seconds. After the round ended, Mahit House was eliminated and the remaining three houses went on to the semifinal round.

The third round was the algorithm round which had only one contestant from each House. The contestant was given an





algorithm which they had to solve in 90 seconds. These algorithms were not easy to solve but the contestants from Daivik and Vinaya House led their houses into the final round of the Quiz.

The final round had some reasoning questions along with some calculations but here, one wrong answer meant negative marks would be awarded. Daivik House could have easily won the Math Quiz but didn't as most answers that were wrong were negatively marked. Vinaya House emerged as the winner. Mr. Rajeev Chawla was invited to share his experience of teaching Mathematics with the student audience.

- Rudraksh Agarwal, VIII A

## Celebrating Peace



On Wednesday, September 18, 2019, the morning assembly was conducted by class III-B. The theme of the assembly was "Peace". Our class presented a skit based on a story from Lord Buddha's life. The message of the skit was that peace dwells in the mind. We concluded the assembly by reciting a poem. The assembly was much appreciated.

-Tanishka Kantoor, III-B

Our school celebrated World Peace Day on the 20<sup>th</sup> September. A day before, the class teachers received news that their respective classes had to prepare a decorative soft board on famous Nobel peace prize winners - Kailash Satyarthi, Malala Yousafzai, Barack Obama, Kofi Annan and Nelson Mandela. It was a competition, so the students gave it their very best. The results were declared in the next morning assembly and class VIII was adjudged the winners of the competition.

On World Peace Day the teachers were dressed in white. There was a meaningful assembly conducted by class IX students. An announcement was made at the end of assembly, which informed us that a bell would be rung at 9:50 am and all staff and students would maintain complete silence till it was rung again.

-Yashasvi Kandwal, VII B



## Ankuram - Musical Show



“Music acts like a magic key to which the most tightly closed heart opens.”



The Ankuram Musical Show was held on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 in the Crucible at The OASIS. The concert was presented by the little rock stars of our school from classes I to V. The audience was eagerly waiting to catch a glimpse of their children and their commendable performance on stage.



The show began with performances by students of classes IV and V. They sang one of Mahatma Gandhi's favourite bhajans, “*Vaishnav Janto*” by Bhakt Narsaiyaa. This was followed by an instrumental performance using percussion instruments by students of class II. There were solo performances by Sia and Wanika of class V on the keyboard. Aanandita and Harshada of classes I and III respectively, sang the song “*Drag Me Down*” by the famous group “*One Direction*”. The three musketeers of class II; Akshit, Vasu and Agastya performed a medley of two popular songs, “*Sunflower*” and “*Believer*”. It was truly amazing to listen to the junior band's first performance on the song “*Faded*” by Alan Walker. The showstoppers, however, were the students of class I. Even the parents danced to their tunes as they ended the show so perfectly.

Our music teachers, Ms. Anita Sharma, Mr. Jonathan Paul and Ms. Zara Fatima Ali worked hard endlessly to bring out the best in each participant.

-Gauri Singh, V A

## Wushu Championship



On 5<sup>th</sup> September, The OASIS Wushu team, along with Mr. Bijay Khadka and Chandni Ma'am, went for the 8<sup>th</sup> State Wushu Championship held at the Rudrapur Sports Stadium. The team arrived at Rudrapur at 5:30 a.m. That very day the weight check took the team all day. Our team consisted of 12 members and almost everyone received a medal as the championship proceeded. Overall, it was one of the most memorable sports championships thus far.

The results were as follows:

### Gold medalists

- Hargun Singh Manchanda - under 56kg (Selected for Nationals)
- Ronak Sharma - under 24kg (Selected for Nationals)
- Ankita Dubey- under 28 kg

### Silver medalists

- Aarvi Pal - under 28kg
- Pratishta Rawat - under 32kg
- Sparsh Pant - under 24 kg

### Bronze medalists

- Divit Agarwal - under 20kg
- Aditya Rawat - under 28kg
- Yukeom Kim - under 32kg
- Maheep Rana - under 42kg
- Arnab Agrawal - under 45kg

-Hargun Singh Manchanda, VIII-A

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