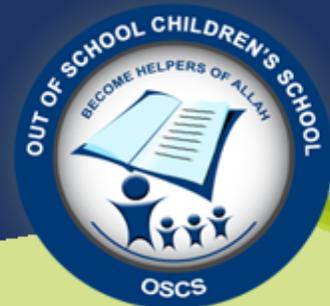


OSCS Newsletter

OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDRENS' SCHOOL

كونو انصار الله

Become Helpers of
Allah



March 2011 to 2012

Highest Achievers

Muskaan	Nursery
Misbah Atta	K.G.
Qurat-ul-Ain	I
Muqaddas Azhar	II
Asma Abdullah	III
Farwah Akbar	IV
Tanzeela Akbar	V

Welcome 'Ansaar Allah'

We welcome our new team members at OSCS volunteering in teaching and website designing. We hope and pray these efforts become a source of great reward for them in both worlds.

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A New Hope in Fast Track Education

Children who have crossed the age of admission in regular schools now have a new ray of hope. Fast track education at OSCS makes it possible for our students to enter main stream education in a short duration of time, along with acquiring many skills. In only 6 months time the full year syllabus is covered with special emphasis on teaching students skills of reading, writing and comprehension.

NUST Students offer valuable services

Students from NUST studying in SEECS (School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science) visited OSC School upon the start of 2011 fall session. They met with OSCS staff and offered areas for volunteering. OSCS website, design of new OSCS logo and automated lesson tracker were few projects they gave support in. They have also committed to help the school acquire computer systems for setting up a computer lab.

The Annual Sports Event

At OSCS we realize the importance of sports for the mental and physical development of children. For this reason, on 17th February, 2012 the annual sports event was organized at the main branch of OSCS. Teams were also invited from other OSCS branches. Sponsors and donors were also present to grace the event and encourage the young and enthusiastic participants.



PT Display by Kindergarten

Spoon and Lemon Race

PT Display by class IV

The audience enjoyed colorful PT display and were specially impressed by the cross skipping competition that was something new for everyone. Students from other branches of OSCS participated in the competitions and won many prizes. Students recited duas and rhymes at the beginning and end of the event.

Sponsors who attended the ceremony, emphasized the need for more and more people to take out time for the encouragement of these children by attending such events.



Spectators

Three Legged Race—I-8 branch in lead

Reciting an Islamic Poem

Receiving Prizes

Open a branch in your locality

Fast track learning is the best way to bring back over-age children to regular school system. Without this they would lose all hope of getting formal education.

We invite you to share our mission and join our team to spread this light. Visit our website and get information on how you can setup your own OSCS branch, in your garage, back yard, local park or any other facility.

Doctors visit OSCS

A team of child specialists conducted a medical camp at OSCS in the winters of 2011. Free medicines and vitamins were provided to children of OSCS. Such medical facilities are not possible for the parents to afford.

Self Grooming Session

The month of March was specially allocated for personality and skill development. A series of lectures and activities based on personal hygiene and character building were conducted. Students of all classes participated eagerly in this fun filled educational gala. Special arts and crafts sessions helped children explore their creative side. New duas were taught to children and revision of previous duas was also done. Concepts of Math and Science that needed to be re-visited were done through quizzes and practical activities. Students made science models and charts to describe various topics like electric circuits and water cycle etc.

Educational trips were also arranged for students during this session.

Students of Class V Pass Board Exams

30th March 2012 was a day full of joy for the staff of OSCS as the result of class V examination held by the Federal directorate of Education was announced. The first mile stone was when our first batch of four students appeared in this exam. Students who had started from Nursery class three years ago had passed this exam with flying colors after completing the curriculum of 5th class in a short period of 4 months. Tanzeela and Sonia attained 1st Division. The teachers and students of OSCS congratulate these students who did not lose hope at any stage and worked hard to achieve this difficult goal. A member of the supervisory staff of the examination center, specially came to see OSCS and was full of praise for the good behavior and discipline of these students at the examination center.

Weekly Performance Activities

At OSCS every class is given a chance to prepare an act and perform in front of the whole school. An hour is dedicated every Friday for this activity. The event is based on any of the lessons covered in that class during the previous week. Students enjoy watching this besides it also helps them understand the concepts easily. This has increased the level of confidence in these children and they are able to express themselves more effectively. It's an exciting learning experience which everyone looks forward to.



Learning about Islamic months Display of seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall

Recreational Trips

It was a beautiful day of spring at Islamabad. OSCS senior classes had been studying about Dams in their social studies lessons. So a trip to Rawal Dam and Lake view park was arranged on 22nd March 2012. The discipline shown by OSCS students was commendable. A few Chinese tourists took pictures and appreciated the way children walked in a straight line.



Enjoying the fresh air of spring under the shades of trees.

Having Lunch

Walking together

At Rawal Dam

Enjoying Rides

On 13th March 2012 the junior classes of OSCS were taken to the Zoo to learn about animals.



Off to the Zoo

Waiting at the Ticket Counter

At the teacup ride

At the Elephant cage

Salah Workshop

Salah is our direct way of communication with our Creator. Complete focus is required to achieve it's goal. This is only possible when the correct method and meaning of Salah is understood. For this purpose a Salah workshop was arranged at OSCS for students and teachers. This continued twice every week during February 2012. A team of trainers from Al-Huda International conducted this workshop. Use of miswak and correct method of Wudu was also taught to children. Zuhur prayers were also offered in the school to teach Namaaz practically. Many students have started praying at home and regularly offer Fajr prayers in the morning



Ready for Salah

Doing Sujood

Learning to use Miswak

Teachers Training Workshop

An intensive two day workshop for capacity building of teachers, serving at welfare schools, was held at OSCS on 29th and 30th March. The workshop was free of cost and teachers coming from far off areas were also provided transport facility. Topics covered were, Human behaviors, Leadership through education, Positive discipline methods, Mapping child's psychology to their responsibilities, Classroom management, Note book preparation and checking, and Understanding children's needs.



Workshop in progress

Pakistan Day Awareness

Pakistan day was celebrated by organizing a workshop for students of classes 2 to 5 on 22nd March 2012. Children were told about the sacrifices made by Muslims at the time of partition and the need for having a separate homeland. Children were also introduced to many national heroes and were told about their contributions for Pakistan.

Children drew Pakistan's flag and map and made colorful pictures to express their feelings.



Pakistan Day Activity

Open House for Parents

OSCS held a three day open house for parents, starting on the 19th of March 2012. It was a great success as the turnout of mothers was 98%.

Mothers were full of praise and gratitude for teachers. They shared how studying at OSCS had improved not only their children's behavior but also effected their whole family positively and that children now insist their parents and siblings to recite duas and wash their hands before eating. Their joy increased many folds when their children were awarded cups and trophies for outstanding results.



Mothers sharing their concerns

K.G teacher meeting a mother



Prize winners of various classes happy to be rewarded after all

Best Student of OSCS

Struggling very hard

Math Contest

One of the most exciting event was the dodging tables contest that took place on March 12th 2012 among all the students of OSCS. Cash prizes were awarded to the winners.

Eid made memorable by Youth Club

This years Eid became quite exciting for OSCS children due to the beautiful Eid gifts arranged by Youth Club Islamabad. They also gave a large donation for buying school shoes for OSCS students.

OSCS Branches

New Lalazar branch offers classes from Nursery to III. There are 22 students, most of them belonging to trash picking families. Due to the hard work and diligent efforts of the teachers, few students have completed one year course in only 3 months time.

I-8 Branch caters to fewer number of students due to limited space. Three students have been prepared for admission in classes 2 and 3 at the local Federal Govt. school. OSCS shall provide admission and monthly school fees for these students.

Curriculum Development

OSCS team has started developing it's own curriculum to improve moral and ethical values in children. The syllabus for pre-school level has been completed and is being implemented in junior classes.

WINNERS OF FULL ATTENDANCE PRIZE

Teacher: Mrs.Nusrat

She was the most regular teacher during the previous session. She had no leave and thus qualified for the full attendance award.

Student: Farwah Akbar

She did not take a single day off and came to school on time.



Sponsor a Child

Sponsor a student of OSCS with an amount of Rs.800 per month. It shall cover all expenses from books to uniforms. Contact school administration or visit our website www.oscschool.org for more details.

Annual School Report

Alhamdulillah, all the students of OSCS were sponsored by the end of year 2011. In the upcoming sessions, 40 new admissions in main campus and 10 shall be taken in branches. The performance of students in the spring session from April to September 2011 was:

Classes	Nursery	KG	I	II	III	IV	V
Total Students	29	31	31	16	12	4	-
Promoted to next class in 6 months	19	23	19	13	07	4	-

Progress from October 2011 to March 2012:

Classes	Nursery	KG	I	II	III	IV	V
Total Students	22	26	32	18	19	8	4
Promoted to next class in 6 months	11	17	20	15	19	8	4

Vocational Training Sessions

In the winters of 2012 students of classes III and IV started vocational training by learning how to knit. From the very basic level these girls were taught to read international knitting terminology. After a few months of training our students are able to read and understand printed knitting designs and can start their own projects by consulting various magazines and books. During this session the most popular projects were knitted mittens, caps and scarves.



Learning how to knit



Projects on display

Students also learnt to do embroidery on clothes and prepared beautiful projects that were exhibited on various occasions.

A few months back sewing machines were donated to OSCS. More and more students are now learning how to stitch clothes. They have prepared quilted prayer mats, tray covers, pillow covers, hand bags, mobile covers, book covers and many other useful things.

Knitting workshops are also offered to teachers and other staff members

Words of Wisdom

Prophet Muhammad,

May the peace and blessings of Allah be upon him said:

"Only two persons are worthy of being envied; a person upon whom Allah bestows riches and gives him the power to spend in a righteous cause; and a person upon whom Allah bestows wisdom by which he judges and which he teaches." (Bukhari and Muslim)

A Visit to the bank

OSCS students visited the Meezan bank, their first ever visit to a bank. They learnt about Islamic banking and were told about bank accounts and transactions. Students were also shown the ATM and how money is drawn from it.



Class 4 at Meezan Bank

Photo Gallery



Junk and healthy food



Brushing Teeth— Starting a Healthy Life



Trip to the market and park