

September 2024

# REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF OSHWAL EDUCATION & RELIEF BOARD



**Oshwal Academy**  
Nairobi & Mombasa



## Head's Message

*"Every child is gifted. They just unwrap their packages at different times." By Berta Lippert.*

I am excited to invite you to join us at Oshwal Academy Nairobi Nursery, a nurturing environment where love and learning come together to shape your child's future. At our school, we believe in providing children with the tools, guidance, and encouragement they need to grow into confident and capable individuals.

Our programs are designed not only to foster academic excellence but also to cultivate emotional intelligence and resilience—giving your child a strong head start in life. Here, every child is encouraged to explore their passions, build positive relationships, and discover their full potential. We were motivated to build a school that would feel like home.

We are the industry leaders, we have a responsibility to demonstrate a higher standard in

early childhood education in Kenya and beyond.

We are thrilled to inform you that the new academic year at Oshwal Nursery has begun with great enthusiasm and excitement! Our students have already engaged in rich learning experiences through our carefully designed thematic units, which aim to ignite curiosity and deepen understanding across various subjects and activities.

These thematic units provide an integrated approach to learning, allowing children to explore key concepts in a hands-on, meaningful way. We are confident that your child will thrive academically and creatively as they immerse themselves in these learning experiences.

In addition to our academic focus, this term we have also introduced an exciting lineup of sporting activities that are already proving

to be a big hit with our students! These activities not only promote physical fitness but also foster teamwork, discipline, and a love for healthy competition.

We encourage you to stay connected with your child's progress throughout the year, and we look forward to working closely with you to ensure a successful and rewarding academic year.

Come and experience a space where your child's future blossoms in an atmosphere of care, growth, and endless possibilities.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child into our community!

*Mrs. Rooma Mali*

**Head of School  
Nursery Campus**

# Nursery

## OPEN DAY/ CURRICULUM ORIENTATION:

The event was held on Saturday, 31st August 2024 from 10 am to 1 pm at the Nursery campus MPH2. Ms. Rooma Mali, Head of the Nursery Campus, and Ms. Chepngetich Koech, Deputy Head, introduced the school's mission and vision, as well as the school's communication network that contributes to the school's smooth operation including the child's well being.

Parents were divided into two groups: existing parents and new admission parents. The groups with new admission parents first toured the co-curricular stations, where they were guided by the Head, Deputy Head, and Co-curricular Coordinator. Meanwhile, existing parents were shown the programs their children participate in by their respective class teachers.

Later, new admission parents visited the class teachers of their children. The Open Day was significant as it allowed parents to observe teaching and learning in action, learn about the curriculum, meet teachers, students, and other parents, and ultimately envision their children attending the school.



## WELCOME TO THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

The new academic year has officially begun. Following a restful break, our campus is bustling with enthusiastic students and dedicated staff, eager to embark on new educational adventures. A child's educational journey truly commences on the first day of school. To foster a positive and welcoming atmosphere, we designated Tuesday, 27th August 2024, as "**WELCOME TO LEARNERS ON THEIR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL DAY.**" We aimed to ensure that both returning and new students felt comfortable and excited about attending school. The children quickly settled into their classrooms, and the teachers engaged them in a variety of icebreaker activities, such as card-making, hat-making, painting, dancing, and outdoor games. The entire day was a resounding success, setting the stage for a productive and enjoyable academic year.



## UNIT OF WORK ENTRY POINT

The unit of work is introduced in a celebration known as the entry point. The main aim of this celebration is to connect lessons or learning experiences designed to deepen and broaden learners' understandings of particular topics, skills, strategies, and dispositions for application both within and beyond the immediate learning focus.

Preschool classes entry point was celebrated on Wednesday, 11th September 2024 at Oshwal Centre flying kites as their unit of work is "Weather Wonder". To celebrate the theme "Chattering box" and "Ocean treasure" of Reception classes and Kindergarten classes on Tuesday, 3rd September 2024 at school. Each stream had its way of celebrating with different activities. The sessions were marked with a display of various activities in line with the unit of work.



## EDUCATION FIELD TRIPS

Educational field trips play a major role in giving learners first-hand practical experience. This term learners were able to visit various places and explore the unit of work. Each class was divided into groups.

The Reception class visited the Karen Blixen on the 9th and 10th of September 2024.

Kindergarten Visited Under the Sea on 12th and 13th September 2024.

Preschool Visited Karura forest on the 16th and 17th of September 2024.

IED Visited Stedmak Garden on 11th September 2024.

The trips were educational and a great success. Learners were very excited and had a lot to share about their experiences.



# FIRE DRILL

On Thursday, 19th September 2024, the Oshwal Academy Nairobi Nursery conducted a fire drill as part of its ongoing commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of all students and staff. The drill was a valuable opportunity to test emergency procedures and educate the young learners about fire safety.

The fire drill began with the activation of the fire alarm, prompting students and staff to evacuate the building in a calm and orderly manner. Following established evacuation routes, everyone gathered at the designated assembly point in the forecourt. The entire school was evacuated in an impressive 3 minutes and 58 seconds, showcasing the effectiveness of the emergency procedures in place.



Following the drill, one of our teachers led a discussion with the students about fire safety rules. They emphasized the importance of staying calm in case of a fire,

following the evacuation plan, and never attempting to fight a fire on their own. The students were also reminded of key points in case of fire.



## PEDAGOGY TRAINING

On Saturday, 21st September 2024, the school held a comprehensive pedagogy training session for all teachers. Our Deputy Head, Ms. Chepngetich Koech, initiated the training. Each teaching stream presented specific pedagogy-related topics, showcasing their insights and expertise in various educational approaches. The training provided valuable opportunities for teachers to learn from one another, share best practices, and enhance their pedagogical skills.

**IEP MEETINGS:**

**23/09/2024 - 27/09/2024**

Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) are carefully crafted by collaborative teams consisting of experts from various disciplines within our school. These dedicated teams work with family members to create comprehensive plans tailored to each student's unique needs. Through open dialogue and shared insights, we strive to create an environment where every student can thrive and reach their full potential.

Our Inclusive Education Department recently organized IEP meetings from Monday, 23rd September, to Friday, 27th September 2024, from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM. We value the invaluable time and contributions of parents and believe that with the unwavering determination of teachers, students, and family members, the goals outlined in these IEPs will be achieved in due course.



**U6 PIPSSA FOOTBALL FESTIVAL**

On Thursday, 26th September 2024, our learners had the opportunity to participate in the PIPSSA Football Festival. This friendly tournament featured matches between invited schools, providing our young footballers with a platform to showcase their skills and compete against other teams. The festival was a memorable experience for our players, who demonstrated their passion for football and their ability to work together as a team. The friendly atmosphere and competitive spirit of the tournament made it a truly enjoyable event for all involved.





## ARTICLE ON BENEFITS OF CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Cocurricular activities offer a multitude of benefits for exceptional learners aged 2 to 10 years. These activities can help develop essential social skills, such as communication, cooperation, and teamwork, which are crucial for success in both academic and social settings. By participating in cocurricular activities, exceptional learners can also boost their self-esteem and confidence, as they learn new skills and overcome challenges.

In addition to social and emotional benefits, cocurricular activities can also contribute to physical and mental well-being. Many co-curricular activities, such as P.E., swimming, taekwondo, badminton, football, horseriding, tricycle and dance, provide opportunities for physical exercise, which can improve overall health and fitness. Furthermore, engaging in creative activities, such as ICT, Lego, Library, art and music, can help our learners express themselves and develop their imagination.

Finally, cocurricular activities can play a vital role in fostering a sense of belonging and acceptance. By participating in these activities, exceptional learners can connect with their peers, make friends, and feel like valued members of the school community. This can have a positive impact on their overall happiness and well-being.





## Head's Message

**I** take this opportunity to welcome you all to the Academic year 2024-2025. As we move into a brand-new year, I would like to reiterate that we as a school are extremely excited to continue to do our best and ensure that our learners have a wonderful learning experience...year after year.

The new academic year commenced with new aspirations. Our staff happily welcomed the learners back to school. It was delightful to see the candid smiles of happiness on the faces of our learners, as they came to school.

First term has always been an eventful term at Primary, with two mega events the Annual Sports day and Annual School Day within the opening month.

Amazing to witness the Sports department get into action, immediately with training for Sports day. Simultaneously preparations for Annual School Day went on. A hectic start as always.

Hard work always bears fruits and both events went on, just as well as could be. As we continue our journey through the first term, I would like to assure you that at Oshwal Primary we are set out to have an eventful year, in terms of academics and overall growth of our learners.

We request support from all stakeholders to make this happen. A special request to parents to have channels of communications and feedback open between home and school. We look forward to an amazing year coming up. Asante sana and God bless!

*Ms. Anjana Vijayan*  
**Head of School  
Primary Campus**



## Our First Day in School

Oshwal Academy Nairobi Primary resumed school for the new Academic Year on Tuesday 27th August 2024. Teachers were delighted to receive joyful students full of energy after the long holiday that early morning. Our music station was very lively to receive parents and students during the drop off time with beautiful welcome music. Many students and parents took the opportunity to take photos for memories with the school welcome banners prepared by the Art department. New parents and students also got the feel of Primary Campus warm welcome. They were highly received with nice music from the Music department, addressed by the senior leadership team before the students were taken to their specific classes by the Heads of the Year Groups. Our year one students reported on Wednesday 28th August 2024. The students were warmly received and welcomed by the year one teachers. It was a celebratory moment for all the students, staff and parents to start the new Academic Year 2024-2025 at a very high note.



## PREFECTS' TRAINING AND TEAM BUILDING SESSION

As primary Campus, we believe a very empowered prefect will be able to execute his or her duties effectively. As a school we are always deliberate to ensure our prefects acquire key leadership skills to be able to lead others and set the pace. On Saturday 31st August 2024, our prefects went through a vigorous prefects' training and team building session conducted by the behaviour management team under the pastoral care. They were taken through important and key pointers of leadership as well as team building activities for their growth as leaders. The event was successful as our prefects were able to learn quite a lot meant to sharpen their leadership skills.

## Our Morning School Assembly

Our morning assemblies kicked off very well for term one. We gather as a family in a common area for school updates, witness amazing performances as well as award and recognize achievements of the students. Our class presentations also begun for term one. Year 2 and Year 5 students were privileged to do their class presentations during our morning assemblies guided by the themes derived from Islands and Second languages, respectively.

Class 2A started off the class presentations for this term. They took us through the Island of Zanzibar in a very elaborate manner as they culminated their class presentation with a beautiful song. Class 2B did an amazing class presentation during our morning school assembly. They had a beautiful and colourful narrations accompanied by well executed dances and songs. They took us through the Lamu island, people who live there and their culture. Class 5A started off for the Year 5 theme on second languages by taking us through the Gujarati language.



## MEET AND GREET SESSIONS

On Saturday 7th September 2024, the Year 1,2 and 6 parents had their Meet and Greet Session while for the Year 3,4 and 5 Meet and Greet Session was conducted on Saturday 14th September 2024. It was a great opportunity for the Year 1,2 and 6 parents to meet the new class teacher of their ward for a very interactive session of the Meet and Greet. Parents were taken through all our academic and non- academic activities for the Academic Year 2024-2025. Working patterns, relationships established and standards were set to ensure our students benefit and enjoy the most while in school. It was also a great platform to clarify concerns and a time for mutual understanding so that the transition to the new year is seamless.

On Saturday 7th September 2024, the Year 6 parents were also taken through Checkpoint briefing to be brought on speed on the 2025 upcoming checkpoint examination preparations.

## House Meeting

House meetings are small families within our school where our students gather to discuss inter-house school events and competitions. On Monday 16th September 2024, students assembled in their houses to discuss the upcoming Annual Sports Day as well as to confirm their events they will take part in with their house teachers. The students and teachers were in high spirits and super excited a clear evidence they were looking forward to the Annual Sports Day competition.



## Annual Sports Day training, practice and selection

As we approached our most anticipated Annual Sports Day, all the preparations in form of training, practice and selection process of the participants took place during Non-Paid Activities lessons in the afternoons. For Year 1, 2 and 3 on Thursdays and Year 4, 5 and 6 on Tuesdays. This exercise was very vigorous and thorough as our students demonstrated high levels of enthusiasm and looked forward to our Annual Sports Day.

## SCHOOL CLUB ACTIVITIES

Our school club activities and especially the Paid Activities kicked off very well. For the start of a new academic year in term one we have provided a wide range of Paid Activities for our students to learn new skills and enjoy themselves. This year we have introduced Yoga activity and Gymnastics has resumed once again. Our students have been in the process of learning the skills as well as having fun for themselves.



# Primary

## ANNUAL SCHOOL DAY

Annual School Day is a very special event at Primary Campus anchored in our calendar of events in order to celebrate students who excel in Academics as well as Co-curricular Activities. It is a moment to recognize and appreciate the hard work students put while executing school programmes. On Saturday 28th September 2024, Primary Campus fraternity came together to celebrate our Annual School Day at Oshwal Centre. The event which

was themed “The Future is Here, was graced by our able members of the OERB, committee members, our prudent academic consultant, heads of sister campuses, dignitaries, parents and members of staff. Parents, students, members of staff and invited guests turned up in large numbers to witness the auspicious event as we celebrated the achievements of our students throughout the academic year 2023-2024.

It was not just about celebrating our achievements but also thanking those who helped us get there. Exceptional speeches were made during the event. The outstanding achievers were awarded and members of the staff too received a token of appreciation. When all was said and done, everyone was treated to a high tea. The event was a resounding success.



## SPORTS DEPARTMENT

As a reflection of the role that physical activity and physical literacy play in the development of the whole child, physical education and/or school-based physical activity (which may include sport) are integral to the curriculum. Sports participation in the school environment can also provide many benefits in terms of physical fitness, health benefits, cognitive development, personal wellbeing and social integration.

Sports offers a value-added proposition to every curriculum area; challenging critical thinking skills, decision making and moral reasoning. The introduction of sports in the school environment, particularly through team activities, provides a social network for children based on common interests outside the classroom. Sports provides another pathway for the fulfilment of personal potential. Also allows young people to take on leadership roles and responsibilities.

The month of September 2024 has been a fun and activity filled

month. As we start the 2024/2025 sporting calendar, we started on a very high note by organizing and holding our Annual Sports Day.

Annually, Oshwal Academy Primary Campus celebrates its sports day in the month of September. It is one of the most loved events of the year. Students, teachers and parents look forward to it. This Month is earmarked for the occasion, as, at this time, the mood of the young athletes is often indicative of how eager they are to take part in the different activities throughout the day.

On Friday 20th September 2024, Oshwal Academy Nairobi- Primary had its Annual Sports Day. The event took place in the spacious ground at Oshwal Centre. In schools which use a house system, like Oshwal Academy, a feature of the school is the competition between the houses; this is especially brought out during sporting events such as the Annual Inter-house Sports day. The games and activities that the students take on school sports days are wide and varied. They include

straightforward sprints and longer races for all age groups, obstacle races as well as the students' favourite; the parents' races.

The skills and techniques are what the young students were fighting to showcase to be the best house in the event. Warriors could be seen at a distance; courageous, determined and focused to be victorious. The boys and girls had a great experience as they battled it out in the field. This saw the students having great fun and awesome sporting experiences as they showcased their different skills and compete away from the classroom set up. The much-anticipated annual inter-house sports day was a resounding success, with so many students getting involved and representing their Houses to their level best. The spirit of sportsmanship and resilience was evident in every child. The program ended with lots of prizes and happy faces

Overall, it was a very enjoyable and successful month. Viva Oshwal!





## Head's Message

**A** warm welcome to you and the students to the new Academic Year 2024/2025. I sincerely hope you all had a fantastic long holiday and that your children are ready to dive into an exciting new school year.

This year is filled with opportunities to learn, grow and make lasting memories. Whether students are returning to familiar faces or starting fresh with new ones, we are all in this together to make the most of the year ahead.

As we embark on this journey, remember that our teachers and staff are here to support you every step of the way. Don't hesitate to ask questions, seek help, or share your ideas.

Let us make this school year one to remember!

### 2024 IGCSE Examination Results

We are thrilled to share the outstanding IGCSE results our students have achieved this year. These exceptional results are a testament to the hard work, dedication, and perseverance of our students, as well as the unwavering support and

encouragement they have received from you and from the teachers.

We know that these achievements are the result of a strong partnership between the school and our parents. Your involvement and commitment to your child's education have played a vital role in their success.

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration. We look forward to more successes in the future as we continue to work together to help our students reach their full potential.

### Welcome Year 7

We warmly welcome Year Seven students to their first day at Junior High on Wednesday 28th August 2024. I am thrilled to have you here and to begin this incredible journey together. This year marks the start of a new chapter in their education, filled with new challenges, opportunities, and experiences.

As your Year Seven children step into this new environment, remember that it is okay to feel a mix of excitement and nerves. Starting secondary school is a big step, and everyone here is ready to support them. They will make new

friends, discover new interests, and develop skills that will help them grow both academically and personally.

I encourage them to be curious, ask questions, and try new things. This is their chance to explore, learn, and have fun along the way. We have an exciting year ahead, filled with learning, activities, and new adventures. Our faculty members are here to help them every step of the way.

Once again welcome to Year Seven and let us make it a fantastic year together.

### A Very Successful Prize Giving Day

The recent Prize Giving Day for Junior High Campus was a resounding success, marking a day of celebration, achievement, and inspiration for students, staff, and parents alike. Held on Saturday the 14th September 2024, the event showcased not only the academic prowess of the students but also their talents in co-curricular activities, leadership, and community service.

# Junior High

## Atmosphere and Setup

The venue was beautifully decorated, reflecting the vibrant spirit of the occasion. The atmosphere was charged with excitement, as proud families, teachers, and students eagerly awaited the announcements of the year's awards. The stage was elegantly set, and the hall was filled, with attendees eager to celebrate the school's brightest stars.

## Distinguished dignitaries and Keynote Speeches

The event was graced by OERB office bearers led by Honourable Vice-Chairman Mr. Mukesh Velji Savla whose presence added to the significance of the day. In the keynote speeches for the OERB Vice Chairman and Junior High Campus Committee chairman, they commended the students for their hard work, perseverance, and dedication. They emphasised the importance of continuous learning, personal development, and positively impacting society. Their words were motivational and served as a reminder of each student's potential.

## Celebrating Achievements

Students were awarded across various categories, including academic excellence, leadership, sports, arts, and community service. This year saw a record number of students achieving distinctions, reflecting the high standards of teaching and learning within the institution. Each award was met with loud applause and cheers, a testament to the community's pride in their achievers.

## Cultural Performances

The day was further enriched with captivating cultural performances by the students. These performances ranged from musical renditions and dance performances showcasing the diverse talents of the student body. The audience was thoroughly entertained and impressed by the level of skill and creativity on display.

## Staff Recognition

In addition to student awards, teachers and staff were also recognized for their exceptional contributions to the school. Awards were presented to long-serving staff members. This highlighted the school's recognition of the vital role teachers play in shaping the lives of young learners.

## Headteacher's and Final Remarks

The event concluded with the Headteacher's closing remarks, expressing gratitude to all who had contributed to making the day a success. She reiterated the importance of community and collaboration in fostering a thriving learning environment. There was a palpable sense of achievement in the air. Students, parents, and staff left the venue inspired and motivated for the coming year. This year's Prize Giving Day was truly a celebration of hard work, dedication, and the promise of even greater success in the future.

## Cross-Country Successful Cross-Country Event at Karura Forest by Students: A Showcase of Teamwork and Endurance

On a bright, invigorating morning, our students gathered for a cross-country event held at the iconic Karura Forest. Known for its serene and lush surroundings, Karura offered the perfect setting for a memorable and challenging race. The event, organized to promote fitness, environmental awareness, and sportsmanship, was a resounding success, bringing together students and teachers.

## The Venue: Karura Forest

Karura Forest, located in Nairobi, Kenya, is a sprawling urban forest reserve known for its diverse wildlife, towering trees, and tranquil walking and biking paths. Its scenic yet rugged terrain posed the ideal cross-country course for the event. The trails, with varying levels of difficulty, featured winding paths, gentle slopes, and more challenging steep hills, making the race a true test of endurance and strategy for the participants.

The decision to host the event in Karura Forest also reinforced the importance of environmental conservation. Students and spectators were reminded of the need to protect natural spaces like Karura, which has become a symbol of green spaces thriving within urban settings.

## The Race: Strategy and Endurance on Display

As the race kicked off, the runners set off with a burst of energy, pacing themselves as they made their way through the beautiful yet demanding Karura trails. The first part of the course took participants through densely wooded paths, where runners had to remain vigilant for uneven terrain, exposed roots, and occasional rocks. Karura's wildlife, though not aggressive, added to the excitement, with monkeys and birds occasionally seen darting through the trees. The middle section of the race featured steep climbs that tested the endurance of the runners. Those who had trained rigorously for hill work managed to maintain their momentum, while others slowed down to conserve energy. Students cheered each other on, offering encouragement as they worked their way through these more gruelling sections of the trail. Perhaps the most exciting part of the race came as runners approached the final stretch—a long, open pathway flanked by towering trees that allowed for a finishing sprint. Here, the atmosphere was electric. Teachers and fellow students lined the path, cheering loudly for the runners. Despite the exhaustion of the earlier stages, many runners summoned one last burst of energy, making the final dash to the finish line.

*Mrs. Sujata Yanamandra*

**Head of School  
Junior High Campus**



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## OSHWAL ACADEMY NAIROBI JUNIOR HIGH



### HONOURS MERIT LIST - IGCSE 2024



DIYA PATEL  
9A\*, 9



OORJIT SINGH  
9A\*



VISHWAM SUBRAMANIAN  
9A\*



JASH SUMARIA  
9A\*



RIVA DABASIA  
7A\*2A; 9



HARSH SOMAIYA  
7A\*1A; 9



TANAV SHENDYE  
8A\*1A



KAAVYA SUBRAMANIAN  
8A\*1A



PURAHAN ARORA  
7A\*1A; 9



TEJ BHAVSAR  
7A\*1A; 9



SANVI SHAH  
7A\*1A; 9



KHUSHI KARIA  
6A\*1A; 8 8



GUFAN AHMAD  
6A\*3A; 8



JIANA MEHTA  
7A\*2A



ZIYA SHAH  
6A\*2A; 9



AKSHITA SRIVASTAVA  
6A\*2A; 9



PRISHA SINHA  
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DHRUV DANIEL  
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NAMASVI JANI  
5A\*1B; 8 9 6



RUHI SHAH  
5A\*4A; 8





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### HONOURS MERIT LIST - IGCSE 2024



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**RUCHA PATANKAR**  
5A\*3A; 9



**JAIRAJ PATTNI**  
6A\*2A 1B



**KARTIK JAKHARIA**  
5A\*2A 1C; 8



**DHEER HARIA**  
5A\*4A



**VRAJESH MODASIYA**  
4A\*3A; 9 7



**GANEEV GAHIR**  
5A\*3A 1B



**KRISHAY SANGHANI**  
5A\*3A 1B



**SHARON BOVAS**  
5A\*3A 1B



**NEEV SUMARIA**  
4A\*3A 1B; 8



**FRANCIS EINSTEIN**  
5A\*2A 2B



**NAKSHATRA NAVEEN**  
4A\*5A



**KRISHA KOTHARI**  
4A\*3A 2B



**KAVYA GOSRANI**  
4A\*3A 1B 1C



**BANSARI MEHTA**  
3A\*6A



**ANEEQA PARPIA**  
3A\*5A 1C



**ANYA SHAH**  
2A\*4A 1C; 9 7



**SAKSHAM KHANDELWAL**  
3A\*4A 2B



**ADRIAN MADARA**  
3A\*4A 2B



**KHUSHI MALDE**  
2A\*6A 2B



**KAVRAJ REEL**  
2A\*6A 1B



**AMY ANDAGALU**  
2A\*5A 1B; 7



**NISHI PATEL**  
2A\*4A 1B; 7 7



**RIYA BID**  
6A 1B; 9 7



**CHRISTIE NJOROGE**  
7A 1B; 8



**MAHI GUTKA**  
1A\*6A 1B 1C



**PUJITHA PENUMUCHU**  
1A\*6A 1C; 6



**ETHAN GITONGA**  
1A\* 5A 2C; 7

## YEAR 7 ORIENTATION AT THE AUDITORIUM

Year 7 students congregated in the auditorium for an orientation meeting with their Head of Year, Year Proctor, Home Room Tutors, and the Senior Leadership team. At this special assembly, they were welcomed on the first day and briefed on the procedures of seeking assistance while in the school. They were advised to take care of their property and especially textbooks.



## NEW PARENTS' ACQUAINTANCE FORUM

Thank you to all parents who attended our New Parents' Acquaintance Forum! It was a great opportunity for parents of new students to meet and mingle with fellow parents, share insights, and learn more about the school's values, programs, and community spirit. Junior High staff members, including the Head of Year 7, Head Proctor, various Year 7 homeroom tutors (HRTs), as well as members of the Senior Leadership Team, enjoyed discussing our approach to education, answering questions, and welcoming everyone to the Junior High family. We hope this event helped to create lasting friendships and a strong sense of belonging. We look forward to seeing you all for future events!



## RECOGNITION OF AUM ANAND CHANDARANA

Join us in congratulating Aum Anand Chandarana of Year 9C for achieving 2nd and 4th position at the CAT leg 1 and 2 respectively at the International Tennis Federation Championships which was held in Madagascar from 16th to 26th of August. He is currently ranked position 12th in Africa.



# ANNUAL SCHOOL DAY



# ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY

As a matter of tradition, we organize cross country which is held at the famous Karura Forest. Apart from being a way of exercising and keeping fit, it serves as a constant reminder to our students that we need to conserve and protect our environment. Karura Forest is well preserved and protected from potential land grabbers and illegal lumbering which would lead to deforestation. On 20th of September, the entire Junior High fraternity embarked on an annual noble cause. All students arrived in school at 7:30 am and year 7 - 11 as well as Inclusive Education Department (IED) and headed to Karura Forest. As part of the requirements, our students needed to embrace the rules and regulations governing Karura Forest, key of which was to desist from carrying disposable bottles which would litter and degrade the environment. Cyclists were patrolling the routes to watch out for those in need of first aid and water. The event was quite peaceful, and we are all proud of our student's ability to take care of themselves and maintain a high standard of discipline.



# ANNUAL PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

The event was organized as an inter-house competition. In each case, there was the first phase dubbed Round 1, which pitted one house against another to determine the winner. There are four houses: Flamingo, Impala, Gazelle and Simba. Two pairs of houses faced off during Round 1. The winners from each pair then met and faced off in Round 2. The overall winner of round 2 carried the day. Key Stage 3 (year 7 ) did speeches and poetry – both general poems adopted from published poets and own composition in recognition of talent.



# Oshwal Academy Nairobi Junior High

## CONGRATULATIONS

UNDER 19 WOMEN'S NATIONAL CRICKET



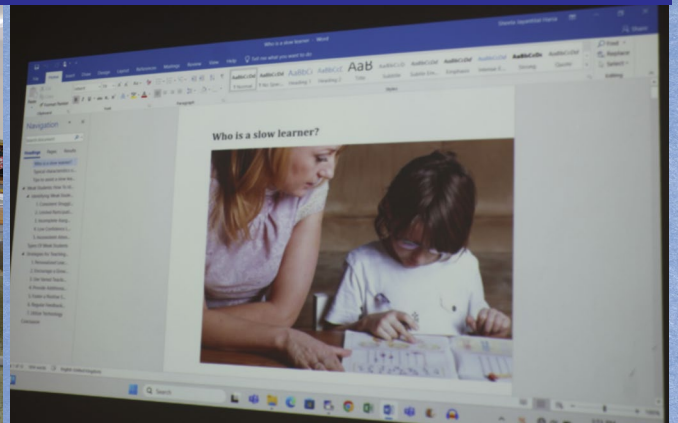
Congratulating Ayaan Gupta of Year 10B for being selected for the Kenya Under 19 women's National Cricket team for the ICC Africa World Cup Qualifiers which was held in Rwanda.

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## GUJARATI DEPARTMENT INTERNAL



## WORLD SCHOLAR'S GLOBAL ROUND – SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Our Year 9 students in the 2024/2025 Academic Year attended the Global Round of World Scholar's Cup in Seoul, South Korea between July 26-31st 2024 and performed very well. Three qualified for the Tournament of Champions (ToC) at Yale University in November 2024. The three were: Victoria Kingori, Samantha Rono and Samantha Mutuma. We congratulate them hugely. We also thank their parents for their support throughout the Global Round in Seoul, South Korea.



## SAYAM'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN TABLE TENNIS

Join us in congratulating Sayam Vishal Jakharia of year 10F who represented Kenya in ITTF - Africa Youth Championship in Gaborone, Botswana from 14th July to 21st July 2024. Sayam took part in singles, doubles and team events. Later in July Sayam played county and regional games in July and got selected for the Nationals for table tennis. He represented Kenya for the FEASSA games in Mbale, Uganda in August 2024. It was a fantastic experience playing top players in Africa.



## RECOGNITION OF VIVAAN SAGAR ACHIEVEMENT IN KENYA SQUASH OPEN

Join us in congratulating Vivaan Sagar of Year 9F who had participated in the Kenya Squash Open Junior where he finished 1st position in the under 11 age category and 3rd position in the under 19 age category, it was a WSF (world Squash Federation) approved tournament and he also participated in the Kenya Squash Open PSA (Professional Squash Association) 1000 USD Satellite Tournament in which professionals from 5 countries participated and he finished position 13th in the men's draws that is 7th position in Kenya men's category.



## LONDON ACADEMY OF MUSIC AND DRAMATIC ART CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION

Junior High students who sat for the London Academy Of Music And Dramatic Art (LAMDA) Examinations earlier this year being awarded their certificates. Two students managed to achieve Merit, while the rest clinched Distinctions.

## KSSSA REGIONAL TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior High students being awarded with medals they earned during the Kenya Secondary School Sports Association(KSSSA) Regional Table Tennis Championships.





**YEAR 11 IGCSE PHYSICAL EDUCATION ROCK CLIMBING TRIALS**

Year 11 IGCSE Physical Education students training on tying figure 8 rope on a harness (safety) at Hell's Gate National Park.

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**INTERNAL YEAR 9 CAREER INTRODUCTION TALK FACILITATED BY THE SCHOOL CAREER COUNCELLOR MS. LINET**



**YEAR 11 PASTORAL TALK AT THE AUDITORIUM**







## YEAR 10 PASTORAL TALK AT THE MULTI-PURPOSE HALL

Year 10 students gathered at the Multi-Purpose Hall for a Pastoral Talk, where they were given expectations of them and told the importance of handling themselves as keystone 4 students.



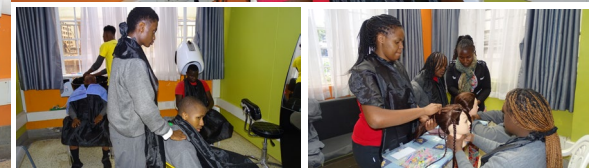
## INCLUSIVE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STUDENTS DURING THEIR HAIR AND BEAUTY LESSON

In the hairdressing training session, the students gained practical skills in various aspects of salon services. They started by learning how to properly welcome clients into the salon, ensuring a warm and professional greeting. As part of their hands-on practice, the girls worked with dummies to learn how to comb and style hair.

Cindy and Mary focused on braiding techniques, using natural hair to hone their skills and develop precision in creating neat, stylish braids. Meanwhile, Tyrel, Bakhita, and Nicholas learned how to operate the shampoo chair, with particular attention to regulating the tap water temperature for the

comfort of clients. They also practiced preparing clients for the shampoo process, from seating them to guiding them through the head-washing procedure. Tyrel also had an enriching experience learning to use the overhead dryer, gaining confidence in handling the equipment.

Olin specialized in providing head and shoulder massages to male clients, learning the techniques to offer a relaxing and professional salon experience. The training session provided valuable hands-on experience, helping the students build confidence in their hairdressing and customer service skills.



## KAISSO AND IPPSSA GAMES





## Head's Message

I hope this message finds you all in good health and high spirits as we embark on the new Academic year, 2024-2025. It is with great joy and enthusiasm that I welcome each and every one of you to Oshwal Academy Nairobi - Senior High.

As we come together once again, let us celebrate the possibilities that lie ahead and the sense of unity that makes our school community truly remarkable. To our new students and their parents, I extend a heartfelt welcome to the Oshwal family. We are thrilled to have you join us, and we are committed to nurture your child while fostering a sense of belonging. We look forward to witnessing the growth and accomplishments of our students.

To our Year 13 students, I extend a warm welcome back. Your

dedication to learning, growth, and support for one another is what makes our school unique. I encourage you to continue working hard and explore new avenues of personal development. Embrace every challenge as an opportunity to learn, and let your hard work lead the way.

First term is a busy term with regards to academic and non-academic activities. Teachers are working together with students to help them achieve their goals in the areas of their interests. I also want to express my gratitude to our dedicated team of educators and staff. Your passion for teaching and unwavering support to our students' well-being are the driving forces behind our school's success.

As we continue this journey together, let us stand united, supporting one another to create

an environment where excellence thrives.

This newsletter will give you a glimpse of the activities held during the month of September. Enjoy reading.

*Mrs. vibhanshu sharma*

**Head of School  
Senior High Campus**

# ANNUAL SCHOOL DAY

Annual School day is an important and one of the most anxiously awaited event on any annual school calendar. It is an opportunity to look back and take stock of our accomplishments over the last one. Oshwal Academy Nairobi - Senior High Campus held its Annual School Day on Saturday, 14th September, 2024 with a lot of enthusiasm and zeal.

The program commenced with a short prayer followed by a song. The Year 12 students very gracefully presented a dance to entertain the audience. This was followed by Welcome speech by OE&RB Hon Secretary Mr. Niraml Kirit Shah recognising the efforts of student and the staff during the year. The occasion was graced by the OE&RB Vice-Chairman Mr. Mukesh Velji Savla, members of the board, SH campus Committee Chairman, Dr. Jamsit Shah and the members of the Committee and the Academic Consultant Mrs. Jyotsna Chotai. The event was streamed live on Social media. Head of School, Mrs. Vibhanshu Sharma presented School report highlighting the academic achievements complemented with co-curricular activities enabling holistic development of the students at Senior High. This was followed by the prize distribution which honoured academic achievements of students under CAIE and Pearson Edexcel examining boards at AS-level, A-level and BTEC students.





# Oshwal Academy Nairobi

## Senior High

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### CELEBRATES OUTSTANDING 2024 PEARSON EDEXCEL IAL/CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL A LEVEL EXAMINATION RESULTS



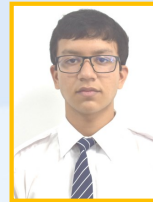
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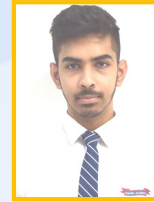
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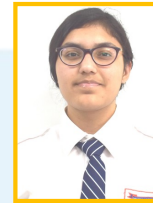
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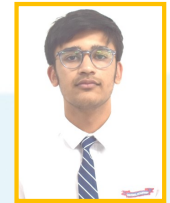
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**SONIA SAMIR  
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**VAIBHAV RAJESH  
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### CELEBRATES OUTSTANDING 2024 PEARSON EDEXCEL IAL/CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL AS' LEVEL EXAMINATION RESULTS



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**ANANYA GOEL**  
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### CELEBRATES OUTSTANDING 2024 BTEC INTERNATIONAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA EXAMINATION RESULTS

#### BTEC INTERNATIONAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN ART & DESIGN



**DIVYA PANKAJ  
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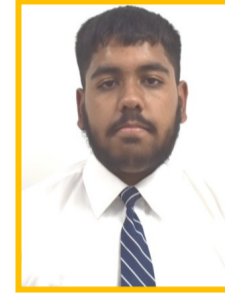
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GICHOHI**  
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**MOHAMED SAKIB  
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**SOHAN SAMIR  
CHANDARIA**  
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**TEERATH KAUSHIK  
SIYANI**  
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#### BTEC INTERNATIONAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA IN HOSPITALITY



**BHAVIK RAJESH  
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# Senior High

## PREFECTS TRAINING HELD ON 31/08/2024 IN SENIOR HIGH CAMPUS

Prefects play a major role as leaders in the school institution. This year's prefects training was conducted in school Multi-purpose hall. It encompassed training of prefects on leadership and also team building activities.

The indoor trainings were facilitated by Mr. Alfred Wao, students leadership course, Mr. Charles Kinuthia - Planning as a student leader and Ms. Pauline Macharia - Peer pressure and inner conflict.

The outdoor team building activities were facilitated by Mr Benard Kiptoo from senior high and Mr Chris Jobita from Junior high.

Prefects presented on various issues they face in their docket and many opportunities for improvement were discussed, where prefects were encouraged to grab them as opportunities for growth. The prefects expressed satisfaction on the training.



## BROWN CHEESE VISIT



The visit was in partial fulfilment of the requirements of unit 2: Environment and Sustainability in the Hospitality Industry. The students were given a tour of the cheese factory with the variety of products Brown Cheese supplies and how they give back to small scale farmers. The students were able to learn the various products derived from milk, techniques used to make cheese, vinegar and salad vinegaretttes, through active en-gagement in

various activities like cheese making and pizza making as well as through questions. It was a learning process for the students on the various cheese varieties, the ways to make cheese and how Brown Cheese sustains the business and environment. The overall class trip was very educative for the BTEC Hospitality students. They were able to interact with the lead co-ordinator. The co-ordinator explained the various departments and how all departments play a

certain role to sustain the business and provide products to the society. Giv-ing them insight on the pros and cons of the business. The students were involved in activities that involved cheese making and pizza making. The co-ordinator took gave us a tour to the farm and showed us how they grow certain products for sale and factory use. The trip was very educative and empowering to the students.

## KENYAN FOOD AND HOSPITALITY EXPO

The students interacted with different bakers and were exposed to the different cake decorations and design techniques. This was an opportunity to interact with different vendors who showcased the various equipment's and items. giving them an opportunity to handle equipment's that can be used within different hospitality businesses. In addition it was an opportunity to interact with entrepreneurs within the hospitality industry which would elevate their passion. The visit give the students an insight on the pros and cons of running a business and how to sustain it, forming a solid foundation for students who are interested in hospitality This leads to a pragmatic attitude that would improve their work ethic and perception on how the industry operates, enabling them to transition positively within the industry.



## MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

On Saturday 21st September 2024 students from Oshwal academy Nairobi—senior high took part in the Annual Kenya Society for the Blind Mt. Longonot climb 2024. The aim of this climb is to help raise funds towards supporting learners with visual impairment acquire quality inclusive education by:

- Providing digital assistive technology devices, magnifiers and low-vision devices
- Providing adequate supply of white Canes and mobility devices,
- Providing Braille Machines and ensure they are maintained,
- Providing adequate supply of Braille Papers,
- Ensuring availability of adequate learning material in accessible formats and
- Providing Universal Braille kits
- Training Braille Transcribers and school-based Technicians on repair and maintenance of Braille equipment.

This year the students raised over kshs. 640,000 towards this noble cause.

A total of 68 students went to climb the mountain and represent



Oshwal Academy Nairobi, Senior High. They had an opportunity to interact with their peers from other school and also assist the visually impaired persons climb the mountain. This event will remain entrenched in their lives for a long time.



KENYA  
SOCIETY FOR  
THE BLIND



# *Oshwal Academy Nairobi*

*We express our deepest appreciation for your generous support of the Mt. Longonot Hike held on September 21st, 2024. Your partnership was instrumental in the success of this event, helping us to raise vital funds for the education and empowerment of individuals who are blind or visually impaired. We are truly grateful for your commitment to our cause and for standing with us in making a difference.*

## **Thank You**

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## PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS SCHEME TRAINING

On 18th September, 2024, Oshwal Academy Nairobi Senior High invited external assessors from PA-Kenya to guide students on Navigation (Physical map reading and compass interpretation) where coordinates were given to students in their respective groups to interpret from the map and route planning. The event was successful as a preparation for the Presidential Awards Scheme - Gold level expedition.



## PRESIDENTIAL AWARD SCHEME HIKE. MOUNT LONGONOT PRACTICE JOURNEY



On September 21, 2024, the Kenya Society for the Blind organized a unique and inclusive hike to Mt. Longonot, which saw active participation from the Mountaineering Club and the Presidential Award Scheme – Gold participants. This event aimed to promote inclusivity, teamwork, and a shared love for the outdoors among all participants, regardless of their physical abilities.

The objectives of the hike were as follows:

**Inclusivity:** Foster an environment where everyone can participate in outdoor activities.

**Team Building:** Strengthen relationships between students and visually impaired participants.

**Physical Activity:** Promote health

and fitness through hiking.

**Awareness and Education:** Raise awareness about the challenges faced by visually impaired individuals. PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS SCHEME TRAINING

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Throughout the hike, participants discussed the importance of inclusivity in outdoor activities and the challenges faced by individuals with visual impairments. Members from the Kenya Society for the Blind shared personal experiences, fostering a deeper understanding and empathy among all participants.

The hike was a resounding success, meeting its objectives of promoting inclusivity, teamwork, and awareness. Participants returned not only with a sense of accomplishment but also with valuable insights into the importance of accessibility in outdoor adventures making it a truly memorable experience for all involved.



## BTEC ART AND DESIGN STUDENTS' TRIP TO THE AFRICAN HERITAGE HOUSE

On September 24, 2024, the BTEC Art and Design students embarked on an educational trip to the African Heritage House in Nairobi, Kenya. This visit aimed to deepen students' understanding of African art, culture, and heritage while providing them with first-hand experience of traditional and contemporary African artistic expressions.

The objectives of the Trip included:

1. To enhance students' appreciation of African art and design.
2. To provide insights into the

historical and cultural significance of various art forms in Africa.

3. To inspire students through exposure to authentic artworks and artefacts.

4. To encourage critical thinking and discussion about the role of art in cultural identity.

The students participated in a guided tour of the house, which showcased an extensive collection of African art, including textiles, sculptures, and pottery. The guides

shared stories about the establishment and its founder, Alan Donovan and his journey in the collection of African art. The students were encouraged to document their experiences through photography, capturing the vibrant colours and intricate details of the artworks and the surrounding environment.



## RHINO CUP DEBATE ROUND ONE

Students from Oshwal Academy Nairobi senior high participated in the annual Rhino cup debate organised by KAIS, that attracted around 16 international schools in Kenya. The schools are usually paired by the organizers. Proceeding to the next level depends on winning of the previous round. This Year, for Round one, Oshwal Academy Senior High was paired with Greensteds International School Nakuru. The Debate happened at Oshwal Senior High. The well-prepared students were able to articulate their ideas confidently impressing both the judges and the audience. Senior High students beat the opponents, giving the students the opportunity to proceed to the second round that will be happening from around 20th October, 2024. We wish the students well as they prepare to take part in round two so that they can proceed to the third round and then final round.



## FIRST ROUND INTE-HOUSE DEBATE 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

The first round of inter-house debate was held on 25th September, 2024 at the school multi- purpose hall. Emerald house competed against Sapphire house while Ruby house went against Topaz house. The two debates happened, one after the other. It was an exciting event as the competing teams showcased their critical thinking skills while trying to outshine each other. However, every race has a winner and a loser. Topaz and Emerald emerged the winners. Therefore, in round two Emerald house will debate against Topaz house to compete for position one and two, while Sapphire and Ruby will fight for position three and four. We wish the students well. Looking forward to unveil the winners of Oshwal Senior High Inter house debate competition 2024!



## FIRST AID TRAINING BY ST JOHN'S AMBULANCE

On Saturday, 28th September 2024, St John's Ambulance conducted a comprehensive First Aid Training session for students. The training was aimed at equipping participants with essential first aid skills, which are vital for handling emergencies both in the school environment and beyond. Students gained basic first aid knowledge which enhanced their preparedness to handle an emergency.

Students also had a chance to engage in hands-on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) demonstrations led by the certified trainers from St John's Ambulance. Each student was guided through the proper techniques of chest compressions. The training also focused on risk assessment in emergency situations. Students learnt how to quickly assess the safety of the scene and identify potential hazards. The training was highly engaging, combining practical exercises and

real-life scenarios, keeping students actively involved throughout the session. By the end of the session, students expressed increased confidence in their ability to respond to any emergencies. Attached are some photos from the training.

## P.E & SPORTS DEPARTMENT ANNUAL CROSS COUNTRY DATED 27TH SEPTEMBER 2024

Oshwal Academy Nairobi—Senior High successfully conducted this event at Karura forest through collective efforts of OAN-senior High fraternity. After assembling students and warm-up done, the run was officially flagged off by Mrs Sharma and Mr Nganga at 9 am.

In this year’s event no records were broken. The 10 km boys’ category was won by Caleb Mumo of Ruby house with time of 36:43, while girls’ 8 km category was won by Yukta Kaniyai of Topaz with time of 51:24.

Safety of our students being our top priority, a standby ambulance and professional First Aiders were on sight. 5 water points were stationed at different check points along the route. Refreshments and snacks were distributed after the race. The support staff and cleaners ensured equipment and cleanliness was taken care of. The last bus left Karura forest to school at 12:45pm.

**TOP 10 RUNNERS.**

PST	BOYS	TIME	HOUSE	PST	GIRLS	TIME	HOUSE
1	Caleb mumo	36.43	Ruby	1	Yukta Kaniyaiyi	51.24	Topaz
2	Ali Azlan	37.15	Emerald	2	Cindy Moraa	52.48	Emerald
3	Stephen Omariba	39.14	Emerald	3	Ziya Shah	52.49	Topaz
4	Joseph kenga	40.01	Ruby	4	Christie Njoroge	53.57	Emerald
5	Hitesh Kumar	40.39	Emerald	5	Makena Mbugua	54.12	Emerald
6	Kimani Gitau	41.39	Ruby	6	Shirleen Wathuta	55.00	Topaz
7	Balyce Gitani	43:15	Topaz	7	Arya Gandhi	57.57	Sapphire
8	Tony Gamee	43:18	Ruby	8	Gathoni Wahome	58.30	Emerald
9	Angelo Bill	43:19	Ruby	9	Khushi Karia	58.41	Topaz
10	Dheer Haria	43:37	Topaz	10	Azmira Shamshudi	59.12	Topaz

**OVERALL HOUSE WINNERS**

Position	1	2	3	4
Boys	Ruby	Emerald	Sapphire	Topaz
Girls	Topaz	Emerald	Ruby	Sapphire

**COMBINED HOUSE SCORES**

Position	1	2	3	4
House	Ruby	Emerald	Topaz	Sapphire



## OSHWAL ACADEMY NAIROBI- SENIOR HIGH SPORTS' REPORT SEPTEMBER 2024.

The sports for the term are :

1. Football-boys.
2. Cricket boys.
3. Cross-country.
4. Netball girls.
5. Basketball girls.

The above mention teams have been having morning trainings thrice a week. We have participated in 16 events on above sports, friendlies and competitions. Below is summary for each event:

U-19 football boys.

- Played 7 matches, and won 5 matches.
- KAISSO tournament champions 2024!



-KAISSO league on-going, 1 match played.  
-Rosslyn, Nairobi academy, BGR,

Peponi, NIS, Braeside, St Austin, Rusinga, and Woodcreek are schools we have played against.



### U-17 FOOTBALL BOYS.

Played 3 matches.  
Rosslyn, Braeside and Rusinga were the opponents.



### U19 GIRLS SPORTS REPORT

This term, the girls participated in basketball and netball. Their performance was exemplary good in both the sports. In netball, they have played a total of seven matches in the last month. Out of the seven matches, the girls team won three of their matches and drew one. For St. Austin's, our girls were swift though we tied with our opponents. The scores were 16-16. The MVP for that match was

Mitchelle Muchina (12 BTEC) and Azmira Shamshudin (13B). For woodcreek school, we managed to win with a margin of 18-10. The MVP for that match was Makena Mbugua from year 12 E. For Rusinga School, the Girls won narrowly with a score of 12-10, the MVPs were Eryka Waka and Christie Njoroge. Another win was against Peponi with a score of 10-8, the MVPs were Jianna Mehta and Soha Shammi. For the basketball team, the team



lost narrowly against Rosslyn Academy. The girls took it positively and they promised to do better in their next match. For the netball tournament at Hillcrest, we had six 7 matches in our pool, we won 3, drew 1, and lost 3. We didn't proceed to for the semis because we emerged position three. Azmira was the MVP in all the matches.



## Head's Message

**A**s we begin the new academic year, I am delighted to reflect on what has been a truly exciting and productive start for our school community.

We've experienced a great start, with our students, staff, and parents all contributing to the positive energy that is part of our school culture.

Our students have once again excelled academically, with outstanding results in IGCSE and A Levels. These achievements reflect the hard work and commitment of both our students and teachers, and we are incredibly proud of their success. Congratulations to these scholars for contributing to OAM's outstanding achievement with the highest being 9A\*s at IGCSE and 4A\*s at A Level. However, we also recognize that AS Level results did not meet our expectations, and we are committed to supporting our students in this area moving forward, ensuring they are equipped to perform to the best of their abilities. The culmination of these successes was the annual Prize Giving day. The ceremony provided a platform to recognize these outstanding achievements of students who excelled not only

academically but also in co-curricular activities, showcasing the holistic education that we strive to provide.

One of the highlights in the month of September has been the high level of parental involvement we witnessed, particularly during our orientation meetings. These sessions were not only informative but also fostered a spirit of collaboration between the school and home. Parents took the time to engage with us, ensuring we continue to support our children's learning journey both at home and at school.

In the Junior School and KG section our focus on explorative learning through the International Primary Curriculum (IPC) and the International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) has been instrumental in nurturing curiosity and critical thinking among our students. Units like 'Mindful Play' and 'Brain Wave' have provided exciting opportunities for our children to engage in hands-on, inquiry-based learning, encouraging them to explore new ideas through fun exciting Entry and Exit Points.

September has also been rich in sporting activities, which are an

essential part of our students' holistic development. We were thrilled to host the Under-11 Swimming Gala, a lively event where our young athletes showcased their skills and sportsmanship. Additionally, the Under-15 Cricket Competition was another highlight, bringing together talented students from different international schools around Mombasa in a spirit of healthy competition and camaraderie.

To our new students and families, welcome to OAM. We are glad to have you join our school community, and I have no doubt that you will quickly feel at home here. We are a school that values diversity, inclusivity, and the unique contributions of every individual. OAM welcomes you to make your mark this year. To our teachers and continuing students, I want to wish you the very best as you prepare to make the most of opportunities ahead this academic year.

*Ms. Mildred Aseyo*  
**Head of School  
Oshwal Academy Mombasa**

## Back to school for the academic term 2024/2025

Welcome back, students! The halls of Oshwal Academy Mombasa are alive with laughter and chatter as students walk to their new classes, friends reunite and new memories begin. OAM wishes all its students, faculty and staff a fantastic start to the new academic year 2024/2025!



## Kindergarten Parents Orientation Day

Kindergarten Orientation Day at OAM was a delightful experience for both new and returning parents. They had the opportunity to meet the dedicated kindergarten teachers and were guided through a visual presentation showcasing a typical day in the life of a KG child at OAM. The session also provided insights into the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) as well as the International Early Years Curriculum (IEYC) and highlighted the exciting co-curricular activities available at the school.



## KG Assistant Teachers' assembly

During the first week of school, the Kindergarten section at OAM welcomed children with a special assembly led by the assistant teachers. The teachers delighted the children with lively musical performances on stage, even inviting them to join in the dance routines. This joyful start to the day left the children feeling happy and relaxed as they headed to their classes, setting a positive tone for the school year ahead.





## KG 1 Entry Point 'Mindful Play'

As part of their entry point 'Mindful Play,' KG 1 pupils engaged in a variety of creative activities designed to spark their imagination and encourage social interaction. They explored a play tent with friends, dug enthusiastically in the sand pit, and assembled blocks, all fostering teamwork and creativity. The lesson ended on a soothing note as the children relaxed with their favorite teddy bears for a short nap, followed by an artistic session where they colored pictures of a treasure trunk, allowing them to express their creativity.



## Reception class entry point: Mindful Play

KG 3 children brought their favorite toys to class and shared why they love them. This activity encouraged self-expression, confidence, and connection as they learned more about each other through their cherished items.





## YEAR 1 PARENTS ORIENTATION DAY

Year 1 Orientation Parents Day at OAM was a great success! Parents were introduced to our academy's core values, vision, and mission, and got a glimpse of campus life through a detailed presentation. They met the Year 1 subject teachers and engaged in a lively Q&A session, all wrapped up with some refreshing treats. A warm welcome to our newest families!



## JUNIOR SCHOOL LIBRARY ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Junior School Library this week conducted an Orientation Program aimed at familiarizing our young learners with the library environment. This initiative helps reduce anxiety and ensures that students feel confident navigating the library space. Additionally, the orientation equips our junior school students with essential skills to maximize their use of the library's resources and services. We look forward to a term full of fun and engaging reading experiences!



## Year 3 Entry Point Travel and Tourism

The Year 3 Entry Point for Travel and Tourism is an engaging and practical experience designed to teach students essential life skills. In this exciting module, students are divided into groups to learn how to fold their clothes and pack travel essentials in an orderly manner. Through hands-on activities, they discover the importance of organization and efficiency while preparing for a journey. This collaborative approach not only fosters teamwork but also empowers students with confidence as they prepare for their future adventures, making travel preparation both educational and fun!



**YEAR 4 IPC ENTRY POINT  
VANISHING RAINFORESTS**

Did you know that rainforests once covered 14% of our world's surface? Now sadly they cover between 3-4% of the world. Year 4 students started the IPC unit "Vanishing Rainforests", which is about how diverse and unique our rainforests are and what we need to do to ensure their survival. For entry point, Year 4 students worked together to create what their interpretation of a rainforest is, using recycled and craft materials. That was really exciting and fun!



**Kanika Shah wins 2 Gold and 7 Silver Medals in the World Scholars Global Round**

OAM student Kanika Shah proudly represented Kenya at the recently concluded World Scholars Global Round held in Stockholm from July 12th to 17th, 2024. Her exceptional performance earned her an impressive 2 Gold Medals and 7 Silver Medals, showcasing her remarkable intellectual prowess and dedication to academic excellence. Congratulations Kanika!



**YEAR 8 PARENT ORIENTATION MEETING**

Year 8 parents were welcomed to learn about the 2024/2025 academic year during an Orientation Meeting. The event included insightful presentations from the Heads of Pastoral Care and Senior School Teaching & Learning. The session provided a platform for parents to share their expectations for their children's growth at OAM, culminating in an engaging Q&A session fostering a collaborative atmosphere between the school and families.





## OAM Law Club Shines at University of Nairobi High Schools Moot Court Competition

OAM Law Club recently participated in the UoN High Schools moot court competition, showcasing their exceptional skills and dedication. Our students, Jai Vikash Shah, Neeva Shushrut Sumaria and Manan Basnet performed brilliantly, securing the 2nd runners-up trophy, a testament to their hard work and legal acumen.

A special congratulations to Neeva, who received the Best Female Speaker award, highlighting her outstanding speaking and argumentative abilities. Additionally, our student counsellor, Ms. Mary Mshimba, was honored with a certificate of recognition for her exemplary service as the club patron.

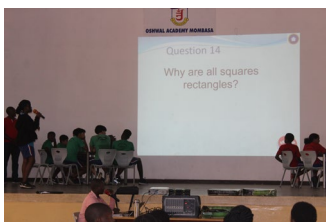


We are incredibly proud of our Law Club students for their achievements and commend them for their impressive performance.



## Senior School Inter-House Mental Maths Competition

The Senior School Inter-House Mental Maths Competition saw OAM's four houses - Emerald, Ruby, Sapphire, and Topaz - competing head-to-head, testing their skills and quick thinking in solving mathematical problems and equations. After a fiercely contested battle, House Emerald emerged victorious, demonstrating excellent teamwork and problem-solving abilities. House Sapphire secured second place, followed by Ruby in third, and Topaz in fourth. Congratulations everyone for outstanding performance and team spirit!





**PA Kenya OAM Pre Gold participants at Vuria Hill**

Congratulations to PA Kenya OAM Pre Gold participants who undertook a successful 3 nights adventurous journey to Vuria Hill, accompanied by Coach Tom, which is the highest peak in the Taita Hills range and all of Coast Region. With an elevation of 2,228 meters above sea level, it is the best place for beginners in Mountain Climbing.



**OAM Celebrates its students' success in National Games and Kenya Red Cross Participants**

OAM proudly acknowledged and celebrated our students who represented our school in the regional and national secondary school games over the holidays. These talented individuals demonstrated exceptional skill and dedication, bringing pride to our school. They were presented with certificates in recognition of their outstanding efforts and sportsmanship. Additionally, senior school students who successfully completed a basic first aid course were awarded certificates of participation by the Kenya Red Cross. This important training equips them with essential life-saving skills, further enhancing their preparedness for emergencies both in school and beyond. Congratulations to all our students for their achievements!



## OSHWAL ACADEMY MOMBASA

### HONOURS MERIT LIST - A AND AS LEVEL 2024

#### A LEVEL



**UZMA SHEIKH**  
4A\*



**REEMA ASKAR**  
3A\*, 2A



**KHUSH PATEL**  
1A\*, 3A



**HIMA PALAN**  
1A\*, 3A



**VATSAL SHAH**  
1A\*, 2A



**MANAV DEVANI**  
1A\*, 1A, 2B



**TANAY SHAH**  
2A, 1B



**DHEERAV SHAH**  
1A, 2B



**NEEDAH AL-MAHROOQI**  
1A, 2B

#### AS LEVEL



**KREESHA MEHTA**  
4A



**OLIVE SSALI**  
1A\*, 3B



**JONATHAN GICHABA**  
1A, 3B



**ANSH PATEL**  
1A, 2B



**KELVIN MUTISO**  
1A, 1B, 2C



**PURAV SHETH**  
1A, 1B, 1D





**CLARA THELE**  
9A\*



**NEESHI SHAVDIA**  
6A\*, 3A, 2B



**HANNAH RASHID** 6A\*, 2A



**HEER PANDYA**  
5A\*, 4A



**ADITYA SHAH**  
5A\*, 4A



**EMMA MIANO**  
4A\*, 4A, 1B



**BAHJA MUBARAK**  
3A\*, 5A



**RAWIYA AL ESRI**  
3A\*, 5A



**KAI SHAH**  
3A\*, 4A, 2B



**RHEYA SHAH**  
3A\*, 5A, 1C



**AMANI G. WAIRI**  
3A\*, 4A, 2B



**LARHETTE KORIR**  
8A, 1B



**MOSHE MTANGO**  
2A\*, 4A, 1B, 2C



**BREL SUERO**  
2A\*, 1A, 2B



**SUHAILA ABDIWAHAB**  
1A\*, 5A, 1B



**ATIYYA BAGHA**  
1A\*, 4A, 2B



**DEESHA RATHOD**  
1A\*, 1A, 3B, 2C, 1D



**HAFSA OMAR**  
1A\*, 4B, 3C



**VEER SENNIK**  
6A, 1B



**HANNAH ABASS**  
5A, 4B



**SUMAYA ADEN**  
5A, 4B



**ARWAH SHAHID**  
5A, 4B



**KEVIN KARABAI**  
5A, 3B, 1C



**SAAZ SHAH**  
3A, 4B, 1C



**ASMAHAN ABUBAKAR**  
2A, 6B, 1C



**AALIYAH NOORANI**  
2A, 3B, 3C



**ANDREW OKOTH**  
2A, 4B, 2C



**ZAHRA ANJARWALLA**  
2A, 4B, 1C



**TATIANA CAROLINE**  
1A, 4B, 4C



## Celebrating Teachers' Day: A Day of Appreciation

OAM recently celebrated Teachers' Day with great enthusiasm, showing deep appreciation for the incredible work our teachers do. To their delight, the teachers were surprised with cakes and heartfelt appreciation speeches from the Head of School, the School Management Committee Secretary, as well as the heads of Teaching and Learning and Pastoral coordinators. As Dorothea Dix says, "The duties of a teacher are neither few nor small, but they elevate the mind and give energy to the character."



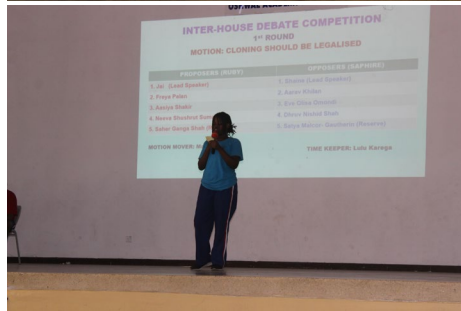
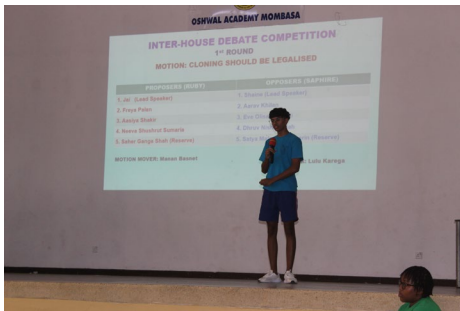
## OAM International Literacy Day Celebration

OAM celebrated International Literacy Day with vibrant activities involving students from the Senior, Junior, and Kindergarten sections. Junior school and Kindergarten students, dressed smartly in their casual attire, excitedly gathered at the senior school library, under the supervision of our librarians Hellen Wameyo and Vannah Mogere, the students took part in fun-filled activities like coloring, art, and storytelling sessions led by senior school students. The day was made even more festive thanks to our talented band players, who filled the air with melodious music, adding to the joyful atmosphere. It was a wonderful celebration of literacy, creativity, and collaboration across all age groups!



## In preparation of OAMUN conference

OAMUN hosted its Annual External Advisors and student leaders training and information session at the OAM Campus, OAM looks forward to a successful OAMUN conference.



## Senior School Inter-house debate competition - Round 1

Ruby and Sapphire went head to head in the Senior School inter-house debating contest tackling the motion 'Cloning Should Be Legalised'. The proposers Ruby house won the debate with a total of 750 points and the opposing team Sapphire received 663. The Judges and patrons - Mr. Maleya and Ms. Wendy, awarded the best speaker to Neeva of Ruby house coming in second was Freya from Ruby house and third was Shaine from Sapphire house. Congratulations to all participants.

## OAM celebrates its amazing faculty, drivers and support staff

This September, OAM honored its birthday 'babies' with delicious cakes crafted by the talented kitchen staff, Furaha and crew. At OAM, we believe in valuing our staff members and fostering a warm community spirit. Here's to our August and September stars—wishing you many happy returns of the day!





## OAM SPONSORED EDU FAIR MOMBASA

OAM proudly sponsored an Education Fair at City Mall rooftop. Designed to connect our school community with local vendors and educational resources, the fair was a vibrant showcase of collaboration and learning.

The fair featured interactive workshops and demonstrations, allowing attendees to explore new learning methods and tools. Parents had the opportunity to engage with teachers and staff, discussing academic programs and initiatives that enhance our students' educational experience.

The impact on our school community has been significant. Not only did the event strengthen existing connections, but it also opened doors for future collaborations with local businesses. The feedback from participants has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the fair as a valuable resource for families seeking to enrich their children's education.



## OAM CLASS OF 1992-1994 SCHOOL REUNION IN ISTANBUL, TURKEY

After 30 years, the OAM class of 1992-1994 had a school reunion in Istanbul Turkey. Ex-classmates from America, Kenya and UK came together to make it more than just a nostalgic gathering—it was a celebration of the paths they have taken and the lives they have built. As classmates came together, the air was filled with a mix of excitement and curiosity. Faces may have changed, but the bonds of shared experiences created an instant sense of familiarity. Conversations flew effortlessly as old stories were recounted, and the passage of time became a backdrop to the enduring connections. In the end, it was a poignant reminder that while life may lead them in different directions, the ties forged in youth remain a cherished part of their lives.





## Junior and Senior School House Meetings underway

House Captains of Emerald, Ruby, Sapphire, and Topaz House led their teams with enthusiasm, registering members for the exciting sporting activities planned for this academic term 2024/2025.



## OAM Student Makes it to the Kenya Under-19 Women's Cricket squad

Kreeshna Mehta has been selected for the Kenya Women's Under-19 Cricket team. The team is currently in training camp in Nakuru under the watchful eye of Coach Maurice Ouma and Manager Sharon Juma. After the camp, the team will proceed to Kigali, Rwanda for the Under-19 World Cup Qualifiers. Wishing the Kenya under 19 women's cricket team all the best.



## Jiyaan and Eashan Shah qualify for the Chess Nationals

Congratulations to Jiyaan Shah who won 1st place in the under-7 category winning 6 out of 6 games in the Qualifier round at Nyali Primary School and Eashan Shah who won 1st place in the under-9 category winning 5.5 out of 6 games, both qualifying for the Nationals. Well done to our champs, a proud moment for OAM!

## Ruhan Paresh Shah qualifies for Africa Secondary School Championship in Chess

Ruhan Paresh Shah represented the Coast region in Nakuru for the Odd Age Group National Chess Championship. He won 7 games out of 9 and was placed 16th out of 371 players in the U-15 category. A total of 2570 players were competing in this tournament. Ruhan has qualified to play in Addis Ethiopia this December for the Africa Secondary School Championship. He played all his games on top boards between board 3 and 15. Dhruv Nishid Shah also performed well with 6.5 points out of 9 in the U-17 category. Overall he was 16th out of 235 players. Unfortunately he missed the qualifying criteria for the Africa Secondary schools. Congratulations to both Ruhan and Dhruv, you've made OAM proud!





## Head's Message

**A**s we enter the mid of the July-December semester, I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all our students, staff, parents, and guardians for the remarkable efforts you have made to ensure the college continues on a positive path.

With the semester in full swing, our dedicated faculty and staff have been working diligently to ensure students are well-prepared for the upcoming mid-semester and final exams. We are confident that with the support being provided, all students will pass their exams and advance to the next level of their studies. In terms of out-of-class experiences, I am pleased to highlight our students' recent corporate visit to Silafrica Limited, the BSc. students' summer school in the UK, the BTEC students' team-building event at Kereita Forest, and charity visits to

Missionary of the Poor and Bethsaida Homes. These activities not only complement academics but also instil essential soft skills such as leadership, teamwork, communication, problem-solving, and time management.

On September 4th, 2024, the students took part in a health and safety training session aimed at enhancing their safety awareness and preparedness. The session covered important topics such as health and safety law, fire safety, and emergency response. The goal was to equip students with the necessary skills to ensure their safety while on campus.

In line with our commitment to promoting cultural diversity, the College recently held its annual culture week with the theme "Unity in Diversity: A Global Celebration." This week-long event was a vibrant showcase of the rich cultural diversity within our institution. Throughout the week, students showcased their talents, traditions, and artistic creativity

through a range of cultural performances, arts and exhibitions. The celebrations also featured photography, a high school soccer tournament, track events, indoor and outdoor competitions. The highlight of the cultural week was the Awards Day on September 20, 2024, where we recognized and awarded students who excelled in various extracurricular activities.

As we continue to uphold our commitment to academic excellence and holistic development, I encourage all students to keep working diligently in their academics and also engage in our out-of-class activities. Remember, while academic responsibilities can be demanding, it's important to make time for other pursuits. Extracurricular activities help cultivate essential life skills that will benefit you throughout your life.

*Mrs. Jayashree Prathap*  
**Principal Oshwal College**

## OSHWAL COLLEGE CULTURE & AWARDS WEEK (OCCAWE)

The 8th edition of Oshwal College Culture & Awards Week (OCCAWE) took place from September 16th to 20th, 2024. This lively annual event celebrates the diversity among students, faculty, and staff, while also providing a platform to recognize and reward excellence in extracurricular activities, student leadership, and cultural initiatives.

The event also seeks to enhance awareness and tolerance of cultural differences on campus, while encouraging students to engage in extracurricular activities. Throughout the week, students, staff, and invited high schoolers took part in a variety of exciting activities, including dances, indoor competitions, track events, and a soccer tournament.

The final day of the week, Friday, September 20th, 2024, was dedicated to entertainment and awards. On this day, students who had excelled in various categories were recognized and awarded.

Special thanks go to the organizing team led by Mr. Joel Wainaina-the Dean of Students, the College Management and Oshwal College Student Association (OCSA) Leaders.



College Principal, Mrs. Jayashree Prathap, addresses students during the launch of the culture week



Oshwal College Students Association (OCSA) President, Aditi Mehta, makes her remarks during the launch of the culture week



Students entertaining guests and attendees on the final day of culture week



A section of audience during the culture week awards day



Oshwal College Football Tournament champions celebrate with their trophy.



Girls' short distance race



Boys' short distance race



Soccer match



## Pearson BTEC-IT Students and Staff Team Building Event

On the 12th of September, 2024, the Information Technology Department organised a team-building and bonding event at Kereita Forest for BTEC IT students and the staff teaching in the department. The event featured a variety of activities, including paint balling, zip lining, horse riding, tug of war, and wildlife viewing. Through these engaging and interactive activities, students learned valuable lessons in facing fears with courage, boosting their self-confidence, trusting others, and enjoying the adventures life has to offer. This initiative is designed to not only provide a strong educational foundation but also to cultivate positive relationships between teachers and students.



# Health and Safety Training for New Students

On September 4th, 2024, Oshwal College new students participated in a comprehensive health and safety training session aimed at enhancing their awareness and preparedness. The training covered crucial topics such as understanding the law of health and safety, which provided students with insights into legal responsibilities and compliance requirements. Additionally, fire safety was a key focus, equipping students with knowledge on fire prevention, emergency response, and the proper use of fire extinguishers. This training session was designed to empower students with the necessary skills to ensure their safety and the safety of others in various situations.



## New ABE Students Orientation

On the 21st, August, 2024, Oshwal College, in conjunction with officials from the ABE Kenya, held a new ABE students orientation session. During this event, various advantages of enrolling in ABE were discussed, including the real-world applicability of the concepts taught, the potential for ABE graduates to pursue degrees both locally and abroad, the recognition of ABE on both local and international levels, and its endorsement by leading employers in Kenya.

Students were also taken through the various deadlines such as exam registration, assignment issuance and submission, among other important timelines.

## New Students Orientation

At the beginning of every semester we look forward to welcoming new students to Oshwal College! On Monday, 5th August 2024, we conducted an orientation session for the new students who have enrolled for the July 2024 semester. The event is aimed at providing new students with a successful transition to Oshwal College.

Besides introducing them to our vibrant campus environment, the session also provides essential information regarding College policies, rules and regulations, academic expectations, facilities, and the support services available to them.

Congratulations on your admission, and welcome to the Oshwal family.



Oshwal College Principal, Mrs. Jayashree Prathap, addressing the new students



Dean of Students, Mr. Joel Wainaina, addressing the new students

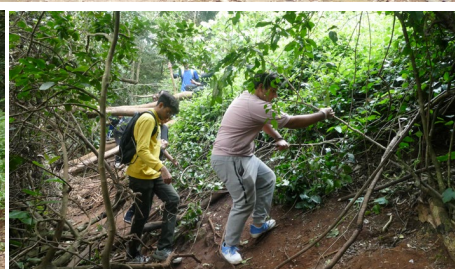


A tree planting exercise by students after the orientation session



## Oloolua Nature Trail

On July 26, 2024, a group of new and continuing students from Oshwal College embarked on a one-day excursion to Oloolua Nature Trail. This trip aligned with the College's commitment to nurturing the students' holistic development and making their studies engaging and enjoyable. During the trip, the students not only participated in activities like hiking, jogging, and bike riding but also revelled in the fresh air, breathtaking waterfall, bamboo groves, lush greenery, and a scenic trail that, despite its proximity to Nairobi, remains relatively unknown to many.



# Ganesh Festival



# Sports Activities

