Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

I do hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and we all have a productive, happy, and peaceful New Year.

It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces as staff arrived back in school last Thursday and the students (and parents) arrived back on Monday. Staff were provided training on solution focused coaching, which we hope will help strengthen the relationships that are built in schools, with the aim of helping us achieve our aims. I will be presenting our aims on the 31st January in the form of our Mission and Vision, Strategic Intentions and School Development Plan. This will start at 8:30 am and I very much hope you will attend: please RSVP to Ms. Khetan.

Our primary students embark on Science enquiries for the next two weeks; I can’t wait to see what they have discovered and how they have arrived at their evaluations. Our Year 11 students are sitting their IGCSE Mock Examinations; this is an opportunity to show how much they learnt so far, as well as provide guidance on what requires further work before the ‘real thing’ in May/June. Our Year 12/13 students are sitting ‘mini-mocks’ with our younger students getting straight back into the challenge of lessons. It would be fair to say that everybody has ‘hit the ground running’ and it feels so good to be back, even if it is a little cold in the mornings!

The very best of luck to our secondary students who will be participating in the Model United Nations Conference in Qatar and our primary students participating in the Maths FOBISIA Competition in Brunei next week. Finally, don’t forget that all of our school clubs start next Monday.

Have a lovely end to the week and weekend.

Brian Platts

Recent and future events

Parent Information Session - Principal’s Meeting outlining vision and strategic direction of the school

Thank you to parents who attend our information sessions. We are sure they must have been fruitful with some useful tips so far. This is a gentle reminder that the upcoming Parents Information Session is on Thursday 31st January at 8.30 am, where our focus will be on ‘Outlining vision and strategic intentions of the school’ and will be led by Mr. Platts. We request you to RSVP so that we can organise a suitable space and appropriate refreshments. Please also send in any questions you may have to me, regarding this by Tuesday 29th January, so that we can include these in our presentation. If you have any suggestions or queries regarding these sessions, please contact Ms. Nancy Khetan directly.
Primary Science Exit Point
The first two weeks of Term 3 (week beginning 14.01.19 and 21.01.19) are Primary Science Weeks and all year groups are working on student-led experiments that are centred around the Science skills in their International Primary Curriculum (IPC) topic. All classes will present their work during a Primary Science Fair, on Thursday 24th January from 1.00pm until 2.00pm outside the main Primary building. This will be a celebration of all the amazing science skills practised throughout the two weeks and it promises to be an interactive, fun and educational afternoon! You are more than welcome to visit any year group. At each station, the students will be excited to talk to you about their science investigations and what they have discovered over the two weeks.

FOBISIA Storytelling Competition
Will you be the TBS' Storytelling Champion? Enter the competition by submitting a story themed around ‘home’ by the 19th of January, for a chance to win prizes for your house and be entered into the FOBISIA competition. More details can be found on the student bulletin.

Young Women in Public Affairs Award Nepal
This award recognises young women (aged 16-19) who demonstrate superior leadership skills and a commitment to public service and civil causes. The Zonta Club of Kathmandu is welcoming applications from young Nepali women aged 16-19 who have experience in volunteering and leadership. There are 10 prizes of $1500 for this international award and the deadline for applications is 15th February 2019. For more information please contact: zontascholarshipnepal@gmail.com to apply: https://goo.gl/cCMcg2

Hong Kong Baptist University Visit
Hong Kong Baptist University will be running a University talk for all Years 10-12 students on Thursday 24 January between 3.30 pm and 4.00 pm in school. This will be an excellent opportunity for students to meet with their representatives and gain valuable advice about selecting suitable colleges and the application process.

Employee of the Month - December 2018
We would like to announce Mrs. Purna Maya Shrestha popularly known as “Nanu didi” as the employee of the month. This is a small gesture of expressing our gratitude towards all the hard work that you do and we anticipate the same enthusiasm and effort in your work in coming days.

Kpop Festival 2019
After the grand success in the first year, the sixth formers are back again with the KPOP music festival. On Saturday 16th February, we will be holding a festival celebrating Korean pop music. All parents and children are welcome to join us in cheering the many performances from local groups doing Korean pop. The tickets are 400NRs before the day of the event and 500NPRs on the day. We hope you will be able to join us on the day!

Christmas gifts for community partners
Through your generous donations we were able to collect 590 Christmas gift bags. Please click here to get a glimpse of the event.

TBS Calendar 2019
Our TBS 2019 calendar this year features collaborative Art work on the theme of Outdoors learning from Foundation years all the way through to Year 13. All the TBS holidays are marked on so you can plan accordingly. It is now on sale in the community shop for 500 Rs.