Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

It has been a short week this week but still very enjoyable with lots of exciting learning going on. Today has seen the Foundation classes 'Sports Day' with children having great fun competing against each other in their houses. On Saturday morning, it is the sports day for the rest of the primary children (more details below) and it is sure to be a morning of fun. The event takes place at a different venue than usual (in Lagankhel) so do check with the PE department if you are unsure.

John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

Holi 2018

Holi is one of the most important festivals celebrated in the Kathmandu valley and around Nepal. Given the importance of Holi as a major Hindu festival, TBS traditionally enjoys a holiday on that day. School will therefore be closed on Thursday 1st March 2018 for this year's Holi celebration. TBS will reopen on 2nd March as per normal.

Holi Extravaganza

TBS's Community Club would like to invite all students (Year 3 and above) to their Holi Extravaganza fundraiser on Sunday 25th February. There will be separate times for Primary and Secondary students. All proceeds will go to TBS Community Projects (see the posters around school). Tickets will be available from Miss Jenny Pinder, Miss Claire Patterson and Primary reception.

Primary Sports Day

The TBS Annual Sports Day for Primary students will take place from 9.45am to 1.30pm (9.45am to 11.30am for Y1-3 and 11.45am to 1.30pm for Y4-6) on Saturday 17th February at the Nepal Army Sports Training Center, in Lagankhel. This time it is taking place at a different ground and all parents are welcome to attend to watch the students compete in a variety of events. Please refer to the google map for directions to the ground, letter sent to parents along with the e-schedule for more details.
MSMUN Conference
At the beginning of December, Key Stage 3 parents will have received a letter promoting the Middle School Model United Nations conference that is taking place in Doha from 12th to 15th April 2018. Should you want your child to participate in this fantastic opportunity, please contact Ms. Karine Eudes.

International Mother Language Day
We are so lucky to have such an interesting and diverse community at TBS. With over 44 nationalities present in the school, the variety of languages we have is even greater. To celebrate the wide range of languages shared we are hosting an exciting multilingual event on the International Mother Language on Wednesday, 21st February 2018 starting at 4.30pm till 5.30pm! Listen to stories in a range of different languages, as well as share some of your own. Feel free to wear your national dress and bring a storybook in your mother tongue! Tickets cost 150NRs and are available from the Primary reception, or on the door at the beginning of the event.

Author Visit: David Heathfield at TBS

Secondary students had the opportunity to work with visiting author David Heathfield this week as we continue to focus on Literacy across the school!

Baker Books
Once again the library department is here with the Baker Books Spring order list. This time we have a huge collection of very nice books both for funfare groups and the book zone groups. The link for filling up the baker book form is here. The catalogues are here - Foundation 1 - Year 4 and Year 5 - Year 11 with the price list which has been converted into local currency. The deadline for filling up the form is 25th February 2018.

The Big Read
It has been amazing to see how enthusiastic the primary children are about The Big Read! Some of the children are so keen they have started reading the books by themselves. The rules of The Big Read state that the books need to be read together with an adult at home, this could be you reading aloud to them or them reading aloud to you. Reading together helps children understand stories at a much deeper level. It also has a wider impact beyond reading as it creates moments of connection at home with family members as Rebecca Bellingham discusses in her Ted Talk on Why We Should Read Aloud to Children.

Year 7 Geography Trip
The Year 7s visited the Bagmati on Friday to study the management and mismanagement of the river. They annotated site maps to show the recent work done on the river to reduce flooding and the efforts to restore it to a river that people would want to walk along. Hopefully, it highlighted not only how floods can be managed but everyone’s role in environmental protection.

Dhaulagiri Fundraising Week!

Well done to all the students in Dhaulagiri who worked on their community fundraising week last week. This culminated in a show with Circus Kathmandu with a high level of participation and fun!