Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,
It has been a very enjoyable first week back and I hope all our young people have enjoyed being back in school. For Year 11 it will have been a particularly enjoyable week as they have had the chance to show how much they learnt in Year 10 as they complete their examination week. In primary classrooms, the learning has focused on getting to know new friends and on thinking about learning and how the brain works. There will be a chance for parents to share this learning tomorrow (Friday 18th August) by visiting classrooms at 1.15pm and to join us for the Primary assembly at 2pm.
We invite a number of exciting guests to TBS in August and September. On August 31st and 1st September, Robert Pereira will be in school to give anti-bullying workshops to those parents who would find this useful. The following week sees us hosting Tanya Landman, an award winning author of books for children and young adults. She will work with all the students during the week as well as giving a talk for parents, ‘Books are Dangerous!’, at 3.30pm on Tuesday 5th September in the hall.
John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

TBS Owls picnic
The TBS Owls (our active parents social group) would like to welcome all members of the TBS community to school on Saturday August 26th for a picnic (10am-2pm). Everyone is welcome to come along, bring some food to share and we will have games and sports for the children as well as a chance to enjoy the playground and have fun!

TBS Public Examination Result success!
Thursday 10th August was one of the most nerve-wracking days of the year for students - public examination results day! There were some excellent results with extremely high scores across the year groups. Although there are a couple of subjects whose results are released next week, our students have been rewarded for their hard work with some excellent grades. At IGCSE 11 students gained more than 6 A/A* grades with 2 students gaining 10 A/A* scores. At AS Level our highest performing student gained 4 A grades (A* is not possible at AS Level) and our Year 13 students are currently planning for their university futures with some very creditable grades including one student achieving an extremely impressive A*/A*/A for her 3 A Level subjects!

Links to further information pages so you can see what children are learning
Foundation 1  Foundation 2
Year 1 Year 2  Year 3  Year 4  Year 5  Year 6
Learning Support  TBS Music  TBS Sports  TBS Drama
TBS OFSTED report 2016  Community Projects
Learning at home links for Year 7, Year 8, & Year 9
Parent forums
The Primary Tours were the first in a series of primary parent conversation mornings and there are a range of parent opportunities to find out more or provide feedback on some aspects of TBS life. The full list of dates is here and if there is something you would like to know more about then please do let us know.

PE Trials
It has been great to see the enthusiasm with which students have been participating in PE trials for the various teams. As we always remind students (and parents), the best outcome that could possibly occur is that a player is not selected, joins the development squad in that sport, shows resilience and keeps working on their skills, then earns promotion into the team later in the year. This would indicate genuine learning and progress!

Plastic Bottle Collection
Fantastic progress has been made by the volunteers helping to rebuild a school in Sindhupalchok. Although the monsoon has slowed their efforts they are still working hard. Please support their work by bringing in your empty, clean 1 litre plastic bottles and leave them in the designated bin by the front gate.

Yale NUS College visit
Yale NUS college will be visiting TBS to run a seminar on the benefits of studying undergraduate Liberal Arts and their institution, before school starts on Friday September 1st from 8 - 9am in C3 in the Sixth Form block. This is open to 6th Form students and ALL interested parents. TBS regularly host visitors from Higher Education institutions.

Terai Flood relief
TBS is currently looking into what we will do to help people suffering due to flooding in the Terai. We are liaising with organisations who will provide supplies to those in most need. More to follow.....

Anti-Bullying Speaker: Invite for Parents
We have invited Robert Pereira to TBS to hold anti-bullying training workshops to key staff across the school. Robert is an international consultant, author of a number of books on the topic including Why We Bully and he has worked with other FOBISIA schools (see his website for more details). Anti-bullying is a key focus for all schools and something we can never be complacent about. Whilst he is at TBS, Robert has offered to run a workshop day for parents on Friday 1st September 2017 (2500NRs per person) and an evening session on Thursday 31st August from 6-8pm (850NRs per person) for parents who cannot attend the full day workshop. Please email Ms. Nazma Shakya if you would like to attend either session. Feedback from colleagues and parents who have worked with Robert before has been excellent - this is really not to be missed!

Modern Foreign Languages & Nepali
This is a very exciting year for Modern Foreign Languages (MFL) & Nepali in Key Stage 3 as we introduce a wider range of Language learning for all children. All children will now do 4 languages - Spanish, French, Nepali and Chinese - during the course of an academic year (two at a time, to make it manageable for them). Greater exposure to a wider range of languages is the accepted wisdom in MFL learning and teaching circles with students beginning to specialise in Year 9 where they will select two that they can then opt to take into the IGCSE years.

Nepali Sunday School
This is an opportunity to supplement the Nepali on offer on the curriculum for all children at all levels of Nepali competence. Contact Mrs. Khadka if you would like your child to attend.