Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

Thank you to those parents who came to the coffee and conversation meeting this morning. It was a pleasure to share plans for the rest of the term with you and to consult on some issues for the future. We will definitely make a plan for medals for next year’s sports days that we will ask parents to agree on and I have asked the ICT team to begin planning a practical technology session (i.e. to share how parents can keep their networks child friendly at home for instance). Next week’s topic is safeguarding (April 26th) and the week after there is a chance to meet the new Principal, Mr. Brian Platts (3rd May). Brian will also be available again the same day at 3.30pm for those parents who might find an afternoon meeting more convenient.

I will shortly be sending round information about vacancies on the TBS Board of Governors. Schools like TBS are becoming increasingly rare internationally, in that we are completely independent, not for profit and led by an elected parent Board of Governors. This means we do need a dedicated Governor team who we rely on for their advice, dedication and expertise. More information will follow in the coming weeks and please do put yourself forward if you feel you would like to contribute to the continued success of TBS!

Lastly, we are just waiting for advice on when we can open the main gate in the morning. As part of our slightly increased security measures prior to the Spring break we had been advised to keep the main gate shut but hopefully we will get information soon that this is no longer required.

Dr. John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

House Volleyball

TBS Sixth Formers and Year 11 played their eagerly anticipated House Volleyball tournament last Friday. The sound of house cheers and volleyball smashes echoed around the court as Dhaulagiri and current overall house leaders Annapurna made it to the final. It was a hard fought game but Dhaulagiri edged out Annapurna 2 sets to 1 to capture 1st place. Makalu triumphed over Kanchenjunga in the 3rd/4th play-off. Well done to all players and the student scorers & umpires.
Term 4 Leavers
Thank you to those who have confirmed intentions for 2018-19 and let us know that children will be leaving at the end of Term 4. Early notice is really helpful as it does allow us to budget for the following year and let new parents know what spaces are available. The last date for letting us know that your children will be leaving (so that we can return your deposits in full and in timely fashion) is the end of this half term (Friday May 18th).

Author Visit!
Award winning author Rob Lloyd Jones is in school (19th-20th April) to deliver workshops to children from Foundation 1 all the way up to KS3. On Friday 20th, there will be a mini session in assembly at 2:00pm in the hall. If you would like to hear him speak, please come along! There will be a book stall with some of his books for purchase/order in the primary playground at 2:30pm both days, when Rob will also be around to sign any books bought or give autographs.

TBS Golfing Success
Congratulations to Year 10 Golfer, Sam who won the overall Junior Monthly medal at Gokarna last month. Sam has had a fantastic season with some great rounds of golf throughout the year. Congratulations to him and to Year 9 student Phurba who was runner-up.

Welcome to Shyam
Welcome to our TBS ‘Lollipop Man’, Shyam Bahadur Tamang whose role is to make sure the children can cross the road safely during busy times of the school day. We have been lobbying the Mayor and various local government officials to reinstate the ‘sleeping policemen’ in the road outside school but we have not managed to convince them so, in the meantime, Shyam is an extra safety measure to manage children crossing the road.

Kanti Burns Survivors Toy and Book Drive
Year 3 will be collecting picture books and toys for our charity Kanti Burns Survivors. Please help us by donating any good quality used toys or picture books and bringing them to school from the 25th April until 9th May. You can bring them directly to either of the Year 3 classrooms, or place them in the donations boxes around school. Thank you for your support!

TBS Coffee and Conversation mornings
Thank you to parents who have attended and shared their thoughts with us. It is really useful to reflect on the views that are expressed and move forward with the best ideas! Upcoming coffee morning include sessions like, What is Safeguarding? (April 26th), Meet the new Principal, Brian Platts (May 3rd) and Nepali at TBS (May 10th). They start at 8.20am (or once you have got a tea or coffee) and are usually in the library.

The Art and DT Exhibition will be open until 3pm on Friday 20th April. Please drop in to see the fantastic work put together by Year 11, 12 and 13 students!