Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

One of the most exciting changes in education (& in general life) in recent years has been the capacity of technology to transform learning and to vastly alter the way we learn, teach and live our lives. At the same time, in the face of such amazing changes there are dangers with the ubiquity of technology in our lives. It is unlikely we will see the retreat of technology any time soon so it is the job of schools and parents to make sure that children are well prepared to cope and understand both its benefits and drawbacks. Mr. Justin Chamberlain did an excellent talk on this topic on Thursday and the slides here will give you a flavour of what he said. Only 9 parents attended but he will repeat this talk later if there is demand. I would argue this is essential listening for all parents!

Although it feels like 2017-18 has only just begun, this week we have begun the process of interviewing new teachers for 2018-19. Later next week I am joined by Mr. Brian Platts who will take over from me as Principal in August 2018 and who will help interview new teachers with the current leadership team and Board of Governors. Brian will return later in the year when he will have more time to meet parents and children but he will be around the coffee stand on Wednesday morning so do feel free to say hello and welcome him to Kathmandu.

John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

KPOP Festival - A TBS Sixth Form Event!

Experience the thrilling adventure of a K-pop festival/concert right here in The British School! Enjoy exotic international food and intoxicating Korean music. Book your tickets for 2nd December, 11am until 3pm. All you need to do is send an email to 19gurungs@tbs.edu.np to buy your advance tickets at the lowered price of 400NRs or pay 500NRs on the day!.

All proceeds will be used to help schools affected by the earthquake in Chautara (Sindhupulchowk). Thank you in advance for your support and we can’t wait to see you there!

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
TBS IPC webpage
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
Y8 Expedition Week
The Year 8s had an action packed week with activities such as climbing, creating mosaics, painting murals at Sungava School, first aid training, archery and a two day trek from Dhulikhel to Namobuddha. The route allowed us to see majestic views of the Himalayas from Manaslu to the Everest region, with a stunning sunset and sunrise and beautiful clear skies to observe the stars. Well done to everyone in Year 8 for a very successful week!

Year 9 Youth Awareness Programme
Year 9 students are studying Development and Aid this term as part of their Geography lessons and they will go to St. Mary’s School on 30th November for a youth awareness programme. It has been designed to raise awareness and advocacy on violence against youth especially with regard to women and girls. Fantastic to see them getting involved!

Free Hot Chocolate! Library Opening times
The library is open for Foundation 1 to Year 6 children (accompanied by parents) on Thursday mornings from 7.45am until 8.15am - any children who come along can warm up with a hot chocolate drink! On Friday afternoons (2.30pm until 3.30pm) parents can borrow books from the library.

Chitwan Conservationist Talk
On Wednesday 22nd November the General Managers from Meghali Serai, Taj Hotels and two naturalists visited TBS to teach Year 5, 6, 9, 12 and 13 about sustainable tourism, the wealth of wildlife in Nepal and how our actions are endangering them through climate change and inappropriate waste disposal. The naturalists shared their amazing experiences and one lucky Y9 won a family weekend at their luxury lodge!

TBS (W)Intercultural Fair
The (W)Intercultural Fair 2017 is on Wednesday, 13th December at 2.30pm. If you would like a stall please email Ms. Gauchan to book or for further details! This year the fair is a combination of the Christmas fair and the International fair therefore we are looking ahead to have a variety of stalls representing the international communities we have at school. Please join us for this wonderful celebration as it is sure to be a fun filled event.

Word Mania: Well done to Year 3!
Congratulations to Year 3 for reaching the finals of Word Mania! They have 24 Hours left to play! I wonder if they can get to the top spot! Well done to all the children who have been participating so fully in the Word Mania Literacy games and especially well done to Year 3. As 2017-18 sees us have a focus on literacy activities it is good to see the children doing so well. (Breaking news - Year 3 are now in first place with 24 hours to go!)

IGCSE Drama Showcase
A Streetcar Named Desire, Of Mice and Men and The King’s New Clothes: just three of a wide selection of texts that the Year 10 and Year 11 IGCSE Drama students will present extracts from on Wednesday 6th December at 5:30pm. Parents and friends are invited to come along to the Drama studio and support the students in their coursework performances. As the extracts do contain adult content the recommended age is 14+ for audience members.