Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

I have been out of school this week but the marvels of modern technology means that I have been able to witness some of the marvelous learning activities happening. Do follow the school on twitter (@TbsKathmandu) for a similar view of what is happening in school on a day to day basis. It is really nice to see the sheer variety of things occurring.

Thank you to all TBS children and parents for being patient whilst we concluded the visa process for teachers at the end of last week (and on Monday for some teachers). The use of technology, such as google classroom, meant students did not miss work and our flexible staff were able to cover for absent colleagues. For older students teachers will arrange catch up sessions if required. Thank you to everyone for their hard work.

Next week sees us enjoy a brief half term break (Monday and Tuesday) but we will be back in school on Wednesday and clubs will run as usual for the rest of the week.

John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

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. (Please note that Foundation 1 & 2 Sports Day will take place in school on Thursday 15th February.)

UPCOMING EVENTS...

FEBRUARY

- Friday 9th - 3pm to 4pm - Dhaulagiri Charity Event
- Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th - Half Term Break
- Wednesday 14th to Friday 16th - Chinese New Year Week
- Wednesday 14th - Beginning of Week 6A
- Wednesday 14th - Visiting Author David Heathfield

MARCH

- Thursday 1st - School closed for Holi
- Saturday 3rd - 8am to 3pm - Community Conference

Upcoming... PRIMARY

FEBRUARY

- Friday 9th - 8.15am to 8.45am - Reading Workshop for F2 Parents
- Friday 9th - 2pm to 2.30pm - Music Assembly
- Wednesday 14th - 8.15am to 12.15pm - F1 Outdoor Learning
- Thursday 15th - 8.15am to 12pm - Year 1 Outdoor Learning
- Thursday 15th - Foundation 1 Sports Day (8.45am) and Foundation 2 Sports Day (10.00am)
- Friday 16th - 9.30am to 1pm - Year 2 Outdoor Learning
- Saturday 17th - 9.45am to 11.30pm (Year 1 to Year 3) & 11.45am to 1.30 (Year 4 to Year 6) - Primary Sports Day
- Monday 19th - 8.30am to 9.15am - Year 5 Mission to Mars Exit Point

MARCH

- Saturday 10th - 10am to 3pm - Cinderella and Rockefella Saturday Rehearsal

Upcoming... SECONDARY

FEBRUARY

- Friday 9th - 8.20am to 8.40am - Visit of State University of New York
- Friday 9th - 8.30am to 9.40am (Year 7A) & 11.45am to 1pm (Year 7B) - Bagmati Walk
- Wednesday 14th - 8am to 3.30pm - Year 9 to 10 Transition Day
- Saturday 17th - NISSA Senior Girls Football League and Senior boys Basketball

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
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. For the moment, we do not have enough students to run this trip. Should you want your child to potentially participate in this fantastic opportunity, please contact Ms. Karine Eudes urgently.

Visit of State University of New York
On Friday 9th February at 8.20 am we will host a visit from SUNY for all Year 12 students in the Library. This will be a great opportunity to find out what it would be like to study in New York State, what courses they run, how to apply successfully and most importantly, the cost!

Community Volleyball
There was a high level of energy and excitement for the Community Volleyball tournament held at TBS on Saturday morning. The three student teams performed well on the day with the Year 12 team finishing in 3rd position. TBS dais took second position with the TBS Girls captaining the gold medals. Well done to the parents and to all involved in this fantastic event!

Band of the Brigade
Friday 16th February will see the visit of the British Army’s Band of the Brigade of Gurkhas to TBS. A fantastic display of marching, musicianship and Khukuri dancing will be enjoyed by the whole school. We are very fortunate to have such links with the Brigade of Gurkhas and to get to see the band perform - they are usually fully booked for performances years in advance! If parents want to stay and watch the show we will be starting at 8.30pm and there will be space on the sidelines to enjoy the spectacle.

Big Read Information
Often all it takes for a child to fall in love with reading is sharing a good book. So with all this in mind we are launching The Big Read! Your child’s class will have a set of books that they need to read with you plus a quiz booklet they need to fill in after reading each book. When you and your child have read all 4 books together and completed The Big Read Big Quiz, hand the quiz booklet into your child’s class teacher. Your child’s name will then be entered into a prize draw. The winners will go on a special trip to Wisdom Bookshop to buy a new book for our library! The deadline for entries is Friday 14th May!

Circus Extravaganza.... Dhaulagiri Community Fundraiser
Come and see TBS students and staff perform alongside the impressive skilled performers of Circus Kathmandu.
Friday 9th February 3.00pm - 4.00pm in the Hall. Tickets (800NRs primary and 800NRs secondary & adults) can be purchased either from reception or from Ms. Patterson.

New Year Picnic by the TBS Owls
The New Year Picnic was a very enjoyable and relaxing family event where children and parents played amongst other and had a nice chat over a cup of coffee, some delicious food and drinks. Thanks to all the families that came and enjoyed games of football, tag rugby and tug of war, who shared amazing food and helped make this a lovely Saturday morning on the TBS site.

Storytelling Session by David Heathfield
We are pleased to be hosting author David Heathfield from the UK on Wednesday 14th February. David will be conducting entertaining and educational storytelling sessions and a workshop to our Year 5, 6, 7 & 8 students.

Primary Girls Football
The Primary Girls Football team had a great victory over Premier School on Monday evening scoring 5 goals and conceding 1. The Primary Boys were in action on Tuesday evening and recorded an 8-1 victory over pre game favourites DAV. A great week for the Primary Yeti footballers. Well done to both teams!

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