Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,
Welcome back to TBS for Term 2 which promises to be as action packed for the children as Term 1. There are so many events and highlights in the coming weeks for us to look forward to and, as always, all the major details are on the school calendar on the website.

Similarly, primary class teachers post class specific and curriculum information on separate google sites (alongside PE, Learning Support and Home Learning) which have more targeted information for parents and we hope you will all find this useful. The links are always on this page (bottom left).

It is important that we do take time to recognise our successes and, just as we celebrate the achievement of the children on a daily and weekly basis, we also recognise that we are fortunate to have extremely dedicated and hardworking staff who do so much for the children and do go the ‘extra mile’. Hot on the heels of our prestigious nomination for a Times Educational Supplement International School Initiative of the Year Award, we are delighted to announce that we have been nominated in 2 categories in the International School of the Year Awards. We will not find out whether we actually win in either of these categories until January, but to be recognised in this way alongside other leading international schools is a special achievement! Everyone in the school contributes to this success as part of the TBS family - so well done to everyone!

Recent & future events
Building progress
On a weekly basis it seems we say we are nearly there with the building work, but we do seem to be nearly there now. This week we opened our new secondary block with 2 laboratories, 2 Art rooms, 3 English rooms, 3 humanities classrooms and some more student toilets. They are fantastic improvement for the students! The new library and Design Technology spaces are also in the very final phases and it is with thanks to our Board of Governors that we have these wonderful new resources!

Links to further information pages so you can see what children are learning

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Learning at home links for Year 7, Year 8, & Year 9

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Hardcore trekking in Shivapuri National Park

The Year 10 Expedition got underway with a bumpy bus ride followed by a five-hour trek uphill to our camping spot in Shivapuri National Park. 29 Year 10 students carried three days worth of food and equipment, survived numerous leech attacks and a steep incline on the first day of their International Award training trip. Pitching the tents and cooking with the little gas stoves rounded off a challenging first day. The second day of expedition saw many trekking ups and downs, amazing waterfall views and some singsongs by the fire. On the final day Year 10 packed up the tents, cooked their own breakfast and trekked back through the jungle to meet the bus. Everyone arrived back at TBS happy and exhausted; ready for the Dashain holidays.

Primary Parents’ Meetings

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the primary parents’ meetings on Wednesday or Thursday. It is really helpful to engage in these discussions about the learning progress with parents. If children, parents and teachers are all working together in harmony then it is almost inevitable that this learning progress will be smooth and result in a happy experience for children. We know parents are often busy and cannot always attend (and we can and do arrange individual meetings later). However, it does help us if we can cluster these meetings on the set days so that teachers can then devote their time to focussing on the action points that emerge from the discussions.

Drama News

Rehearsals continue for our production of Lord of the Flies. The students are working hard every evening and weekends to ensure the performances are exciting and engaging. Performance dates will be released soon and tickets will be available for purchase. Seats will be limited, so make sure you watch out for ticket availability. We look forward to seeing you at one of our performances.

International Week - thank you

Thank you to all the parents who came into school during international week to read, tell stories, show pictures or share some food with the children. It was really nice to see the children enjoying different cultural experiences so thank you to all those who volunteered.