“Challenges are what makes life interesting. Overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.” Joshua J. Marine

UPCOMING EVENTS...

APRIL
● Monday 11th - Clubs block 3 starts
● Wednesday 13th - School closed for Nepali New Year
● Monday 18th - Friday 22nd - Book Week!
● Friday 29th - 9am School Hall - Parents session - Learning at TBS ‘What can parents do to help their children?’ (email jamatya@tbs.edu.np if you will be attending)

Upcoming... PRIMARY

APRIL
● Friday 8th - Primary Family Assembly - 2pm Main Hall - Led by Sixth Form prefects talking about Dhading and Year 6 Student Council representatives
● Monday 11th to Friday 15th - Year 6 Borderlands Expedition
● Friday 15th - 1.15pm to 2pm - Year 5S Exit Point - 3D Designers
● Friday 15th - 10am to 1.30pm F1 Zoo Trip
● Friday 15th - Primary Family Assembly - 2pm Year 4

Upcoming... SECONDARY

APRIL
● Friday 3.30pm - Interhouse Basketball Match
● Monday 11th - 3.45pm-5.45pm Year 8 Parent & Student consultations
● Friday 15th - Year 7 Patan History Trip
● Friday 15th - Year 10 Geography trip to Nakhu river walk
● Friday 15th - 2.30pm Senior Girls’ Basketball vs Rato Bangala

Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,
Thank you to those able to make it for the Parent Forum on Wednesday. The slides are a little unrevealing without the commentary, but I share the link here just in case. In large groups it is not always easy to answer all queries or to deal in appropriate depth with all issues raised so the Governors will look at holding a number of opportunities to solicit parent views as we begin to think about the next phase in the development of the school.
I also mentioned the recent school inspection report at our meeting and the inspection team are carrying out their final quality assurance checks. As soon as the final version arrives a copy placed on the website and a link emailed to parents. The final phase in our building and retrofitting will be ongoing this term, so please do take great care on the school site. If carers and parents can help us by keeping a close eye on children before and after school, it would be appreciated. It is a very exciting time, but I am sure we are all looking forward to a year without building or retrofitting in 2016-17!
Dr. John Moore
Principal

Recent & future events

Primary Family Assembly and Drench Day Activities
I am sure everyone witnessing the Sixth Form Prefects and Secondary Student Council representatives running the ‘Drench Day’ activities for primary children will have been incredibly impressed and join us in thanking them for continuing to deliver on their election promise ‘to run some fun events!’ Well done to all the students involved!
Last term a number of primary parents were keen to know more about the students’ work in Dhading so the Sixth Form Prefects will lead the Primary Family Assembly at 2pm in the Hall to share what they do with the primary children and any parents who would like to come along.

Clubs & Activities in Term 4
Clubs start on Monday 11th April 2016. As we discussed at the Parent Forum, we are slightly more limited this term. However, there are still spaces for some children to choose more clubs if they wish. Ms. Adhikari will reopen the website sign up forms today and display a list of the clubs with spaces this afternoon and tomorrow morning. There is quite a tight deadline (12pm tomorrow) and hopefully we can still give everyone as many clubs as they wish!
Parents Session - Learning at TBS
It is probably a while since any of us adults were at school and methodology is changing all the time. This year we introduced a learning policy to clarify and share best practice amongst school staff and at one of our learning sessions for parents there was a request to hold a discussion group to explore what parents might do at home to help children’s learning. Ms. Anna Young will lead a session for parents on Friday 29th April at 9am. Everyone is welcome and, if there is interest for a session at an alternate time, we would be happy to accommodate this as well. Please let Ms. Jyoti Amatya know if you would like to attend (jamaty@tbs.edu.np).

TBS Golfers dominate in Malaysia
During the final week of last term four of our learners were representing TBS in the annual FOBISIA golf championships at Stafford Golf & Country Club near Kuala Lumpur. Although we travelled with a small team, we made our presence felt throughout the competition. The first day saw some excellent golf which placed us in medal winning positions in both the boys and girls competition as we commenced the second morning of competitive golf. Devasri and Sonam were competing under pressure against national representative players from other countries and as the results came in, TBS success was evident. Both girls took first position in the overall championship in their age ranges, Suryanshi placed just outside the medal positions in his category and Tenzin had a competitive overall finish after a great second round. Former TBS student Sam won the overall prize. A great trip and well done to all TBS golfers on a memorable tournament.

Thank you to everyone who bought the heart pins last term. We raised 20,000NRs!

ICIMOD Trip
Year 2 went on a trip to ICIMOD to look at microclimates and lifecycles. They learned about bees and animals that live in compost. The microclimates they saw included orchards, wetlands and composting.

Key Stage 2 Job-a-thon
Well done to all the students who have been raising money through their Job-a-thons. It is excellent that they are undertaking this caring activity and raising money for the Disabled Newlife Centre (Year 5 & 6) and the Burns Unit at Kanti Children’s Hospital (Year 3 & 4).

FOBISIA Maths
Just before the Spring break, TBS sent a team of mathematicians from Year 6 to take part in the FOBISIA Mathematics Challenge, competing with over twenty schools on a range of challenges, from squaring double digit numbers in their heads, to designing a marble run. Janani, Nabodita, Shivanshi and Meghna all showed considerable resilience and perseverance in the face of some difficult Maths challenges. Well done girls!

U13 FOBISIA success in Bangkok
As everyone at TBS was beginning their Spring break holidays our U-13 FOBISIA team were competing in a variety of sports in Thailand. TBS travelled with a squad of 14 students and competed in the three day sports competitions hosted by St. Stephen’s International School in Bangkok. 9 Athletics medals and 11 Swimming medals were won by TBS on the opening day of competition. This great start was followed by two days of football and basketball where TBS played competitively, but finished just outside the medal positions. Well done to all the athletes and we look forward to the Primary FOBISIA games later this term!