Principal's Message
As we approach the final few weeks of the academic year, and after many weeks of lockdown and continuous learning, I think we can all agree with Kasvi’s thoughts from Foundation 2 (see opposite). I was also heartened to see some fabulous artwork from our Year 6 students, in response to the Black Lives Matter Movement. I am looking forward, with Ms. Gradden, to interview the many students who have applied to be prefects next year and wish to further develop their skills and the school.
I am really pleased to announce our new teachers, who will be joining us in August. In Primary, we look forward to working with Ms. Ealy, Ms. Wheatley and Ms. Bradley, who will all be joining us from schools in the UK. In Secondary, Ms. Wynn will be teaching Music, Mr. Sharma will be teaching Maths and Mr. Hannay will be teaching DT, all from schools in the UK. Mr. Grunwell will be teaching Science and joins us from Malaysia. Our Head of English will be Mr. Jamieson from the UK, whilst our Head of Psychology, Mr. Piaf, joins us from Sweden. Our Head of Art/DT, Ms. Simpson, joins us from a school in Mexico, whilst our Head of Humanities, Mr. Montague-Munson, joins us from a school in the UAE. Finally, our new Head of KS3 and PE teacher, Mr. Randall joins us from the UK. They certainly have ‘big shoes to fill’, but am confident that their passion, experience and skills will have a hugely positive impact on our school.

Thank you to the parents that joined us for the Monday meeting on our plans for returning to the school campus and the feedback they have provided. Thank you, in advance, to those parents that will be joining us this afternoon, for our meeting on the school’s financial strategy, including term fees for 2020-21.

Next Friday, we will be holding our Year 13 graduation, and due to the circumstances we find ourselves in, everyone is invited to virtually attend (details will be sent out later). Please do, as we recognise and celebrate the considerable

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Early Years News
The students of Foundation 1 have been practising more life skills. This week they prepared their own snacks.

The Foundation 2 students have been practising their number work this week - Jessica wrote the missing numbers. Kasvi loves to sing and make up her own songs. The lyrics she came up with this week will resonate with all of us:

Momu momu
How many more days in quarantine?
Because this thing called home learning
is a lot of hard work.

Momu Momu
I just hope corona virus will break down and give up
only because I am ready to go back to school and give my friends a big tight hug.

Don’t forget to watch our Early Years Nature Assembly this week!
achievements of this remarkable cohort of students.
Please do have a good rest this weekend and stay safe.
Brian Platts

Lower Key Stage 2 News
Year 3 have been learning about metaphors and have been practising using them to create interesting poems based on a picture of a stormy sea.

The sea is furious, making waves first and form. The sea is an enormous, water-puddled teapot. The sea is one place where animals move free like whales wagging their tails. The sea is fun when we want to surf the hula hoop. The sea is crazy when we are lazy to pick up the trash. The sea is in danger and in anger.

Year 4 have been finding out about the history of chocolate and the Mayan’s cocoa bean drink ‘xocatl’ (“bitter chocolate”). They discovered how another tribe, the Aztecs, believed that the god Quetzalcoatl gave humans knowledge of the cocoa bean. Year 4 have been designing and making masks depicting this god of chocolate!

Key Stage 1 News
With over ten different nationalities and even more home languages, Year 1 have been celebrating each others’ and their home countries during Continuous Learning. Not only have they been learning how to speak in each others’ different languages, they have also researched and created fact files, learning all about each other! They are beautiful!

Ahoy there me hearties! The able sailors of Year 2 have taken to the high seas recently and have been learning all about life on board a pirate ship. We learnt how important it was to have fair and respectful rules to keep a ship crew happy and also discovered which roles on board a ship they would be most suitable for. After a hard application process, Captain Greedy Griffin has a very competent and able crew for her next adventure!
Upper Key Stage 2 News

In Year 5 this week, students have started to write their SciFi adventures, beginning, as all good stories do, with an introduction. It has been great to see the level of self-assessment that has gone on as a part of this activity!

In Year 6, students have been creating artwork to respond to the Black Lives Matter movement. There have been some very creative and thoughtful pieces of work shared.

A special mention also has to go to Yuvaan T in 6M for the amazing essay about Covid-19 that he wrote - a project he decided to take on himself. It is incredibly well written and informative - well done!

Key Stage 4 News

It has been another pleasing week for our Year 10 and Year 11 students. Student Leadership roles for next year have been advertised and we have been thoroughly impressed with the level of interest shown by our Year 11 students. It is always pleasing to see the initiative of our students, particularly for such an important role within the school. We are excited to observe the impact that these students will have on our whole school community in the coming year. All students who applied deserve to be congratulated as this can be a challenging and nervous experience.

Some particular highlights from this week include:
- Manawi and Abayaa (Y10) were excellent independent learners in Music. They composed their own songs and

Key Stage 3 News @TBSKS3

Last week’s ‘KS3 Student of the Week’ was Emily O’Neill-Guerra. Emily works incredibly hard and consistently produces excellent work. She is a fantastic role model for her peers.

So what has KS3 been up to this week? In Nepali the Y8s have been revising vocabulary.

In Geography the Y7s have been learning about land use and comparing standard models to Kathmandu. In Music the Y8s have been revising key terminology for the Blues and Minimalistic Music topic and the Y7s have been demonstrating Mozambique Funk rhythms on homemade percussion instruments.

In Mathematics the Y7 and Y8s have been learning how to draw different types of graphs from spreadsheets and on paper.

The Y9s in Chinese have been revising everyday phrases.
explored the variety of techniques used for the piano accompaniment. Below is a screenshot of their comparison essay:

- Yashasvi (Y11) has further developed her study guide for other students and also displayed great enthusiasm within her French Bridging course.
- Seoyun and Ritu (Y11) who engaged in deep and complex discussions around race and discrimination - including an exploration of ways to create a positive impact on our school community given recent world events.

Our ‘KS4 Student of the Week’ was Thilini (Y10). Thilini’s mentor and teachers have been consistently impressed with her maturity, adaptability and approach to learning. Her attendance in lessons has been excellent and she always arrives punctually to her mentor sessions. Since the campus closure, we have seen many emails from teachers that praise Thilini’s work ethic and attitude. She has also been engaging regularly in independent extra-curricular activities. Thilini has been a kind and compassionate individual who always considers the feelings of others.

Well done, Thilini!

Despite the fact that it is nearly the end of the term, the students are still producing fantastic work.

**Key Stage 5 News**

This week year 12 have taken their first steps in preparing for university! While it may seem like a really long time until they will be graduating from TBS and moving on to their universities around the world any Year 13 student will tell you that it’s over in the blink of an eye. For those of you with children in Year 12 I really encourage you to speak to them about their experiences this week and what their next steps are in the preparations moving forward.

Next week Year 11 will be having their induction into sixth form by taking part in an afternoon of fun and games (via zoom).

Our Year 13 students will be saying their final goodbyes to us from next Friday in their graduation ceremony which will be available to view online for everybody.