Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

Every Friday TBS colleagues share the list of what extra things are happening during the following week in a 'virtual' briefing. There is always a lot on there (between 10 and 20 additional events). Currently we are breaking all records. Next week there are well over 30 additional events to bolster the normal timetabled daily activities. This is fantastic and it is sometimes almost overwhelming (and difficult to mention everything here) so do keep an eye on the calendar, notices, emails and letters. Whilst it must be great to see your children so active and happy, I don’t think it has ever been quite as hard to be a parent so we will continue to look for innovative ways to communicate with you!

Parents Forum 8.15am Tuesday 12th January

One way we can continue to foster good communication is by having some regular Governor, Teacher, Parent sessions where we can do a brief update of what is happening in the forthcoming term and having some informal ‘Question & Answer’ time. Everyone is welcome!

Movie Nights

Year 11 organised a very successful ‘Movie Night’ for secondary students this week and the 30,000NRs they raised will go to resourcing their work with their TBS community partner, Mary Ward School. Year 6 also organised a ‘Movie Hangout’ evening last Friday and they also raised 10,000NRs for their charity, Disabled Newlife Centre (DNC). It is fabulous that they are having these fun events and being thoughtful in the process.

Welcome back to Mrs. Malla

Congratulations are due to Mrs. Malla who we welcomed back after her maternity leave and the birth of her son. Rian is happy and healthy and Mrs. Malla was back just in time to show off her own good health during Health & Fitness week!

Primary Parent & Child Open Afternoon

Thank-you to all the parents who attended our parent and child open afternoon today. This is a fantastic opportunity to encourage children by showing them how much we value their effort! It is lovely to see how proud they are of their work and achievements.
Library Saturday Opening!
From Saturday 16th January 2016 the TBS Library will be open from 10.00am to 1.00pm. We would like to invite all children, parents and students to come along, borrow books and enjoy using the great facilities in the library. If you have suggestions for new books please email Mrs. Chitrakar schitrakar@tbs.edu.np or stop by the Library!

TBS Children host the DNC
Saturday morning the students from the Disabled Newlife Centre in Thali came over to TBS for a great range of activities prepared by a selection of enthusiastic volunteers from Year 5&6! IPad investigations, green screen photo shoots, sports, creating christmas decorations and a cinema with popcorn were amongst the activity stations. Well done to all the TBS students involved and to the staff members who helped out on the morning!

Clothes Drive & Lost Property to Sindhupalchowk & Toy Drive
We are supporting a Kathmandu charity who are organising a clothes drive (Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th) for homeless children (ages 7-15) in Kathmandu. Boxes will be in classrooms if you have unwanted clothes you would like to donate. We are also supporting a ‘Donate Toys!’ initiative from our own Year 11 students who want to collect toys for the ongoing Dhading project. If you would like to contribute there is a metal box near the front gate.

In addition, please do check Primary and Secondary lost property boxes by the end of term. As usual, any remaining items will be washed and sent to children in need in the Sindhupalchowk region.

Important safety notices
1. Please take great care entering or leaving school and listen to the guards’. We are working hard to keep children safe and we do need every single person to be vigilant.
2. All children on the school site after 2.30pm or before 8.00am must be closely supervised. Whilst we love the fact that children to want to stay on to play and do not want to leave at the end of the day, parents and carers must make sure children are not risking injury by doing anything foolhardy!
3. It bears repeating that at TBS if you have any concerns about the well-being of any child then you should contact the Principal immediately in his role as Child Protection Officer (jmoore@tbs.edu.np). The UK based CEOP site for parents is very useful for anyone who has child protection concerns and it does have some very good advice. Our ‘Safeguarding Children Policy & Procedures’ document is on the TBS website.

Health & Fitness Week
Health and Fitness week kicked off early Monday morning with Badminton before the bell and Zumba assemblies for all students! Other highlights of the week include the fitness trail around the school, Danceathon, fresh fruit at the tuck shop, Yoga, Pilates and parent football/netball. Student participation has been amazing throughout the week and there has been a great turn out of parents and teachers at early morning Badminton. The energy levels have been high at school all week so well done to all involved!