Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

Once you arrive at page 2 of this newsletter you will see that the TBS PE department have been busy during the last week or so. We have had some impressive successes but, more importantly, we have had great fun competing in a spirit of friendship. We are looking to enter as much as we possibly can this year and increase the number of fixtures in all sports. We are off to a great start!

The TBS Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on Tuesday 29th September. This year, to try to see if parent attendance might be higher, we are holding the meeting in the morning from 8.30-10.30am in the hope that parents could come to most, if not all of the meeting at that time. It is important that all parents can ask questions of the Board of Governors and this is an important opportunity to hear about plans for the future.

Voting for parent governors will have concluded at 8.15am on the same morning and the new parent governors will be announced at the AGM. Thank you to those who have put themselves forward already (the deadline for nominations is 15th September).

Recent happenings!

Sixth Form University preparation

It’s that time of year when universities often come to visit. Columbia, Stanford and Penn State will be visiting us in October and this week we were visited by a number of UK universities who have been working with The British Council over the past few weeks.

Learning talk

A small number of parents have signed up for the learning meeting on either 2.30pm on Wednesday 23rd September or 8.30am on Thursday 24th September. Please do let me know if you would like to join us (jmoore@tbs.edu.np). The aim is for us to share some of current learning theories and research and to explain what we think this means for TBS. It will also be useful for us to learn about your thoughts regarding learning in the 21st century.

School events and Parent help!

At the recent parent class representative meeting, Mrs Sthapit-Priest was asked by a few parents whether parents could help organise aspects of some school events. The answer was a resounding yes and if this would be something parents would like to do please do not hesitate in contacting the organising teacher for the following major events:

- Sports day & Sporting events (Mr. Raphael O’Sullivan)
- International day (Mr. Steve Jones)
- Christmas Fair (Ms. Sthapit-Priest)
- Eco Fair (Ms. Rachel Kennedy, Ms. Abigail Buckland & Mr. Will Rigby)
- Nepali cultural events (Mr. Subash Khatiwada)
TBS Basketball competition
The Wilson Hoops Quarter finals were played on Friday and TBS Girls Basketballers were drawn again Valley Public School. The opening two quarters were evenly matched with some outstanding defence from both sides. TBS played a strong zone defence and kept the competition favourites to a low scoring half time score. Valley Public pulled away in the second half though with some great baskets and although TBS girls never gave up Valley Public, the eventual winners of the tournament, ran out 34-9 winners. Well done to TBS girls for their overall tournament performance and special congratulations on being awarded the Fair Play Team trophy.

Swimming Success for TBS!
TBS Swimmers brought home a major trophy on Sunday after the Inter School Nisarga Swimming Gala. TBS won the overall team award as a result of some fantastic individual swimming performances. The seven swimmers reached 18 finals between them and amassed an amazing 11 gold, 2 silver and 7 bronze medals. Well done to all the swimmers involved and best wishes to the TBS swim team who compete in the Lincoln Swimming Gala this weekend.

Timeline for the Annual General Meeting
A final note on the timing of AGM preparations. The Board of Governors annual report is published here today. The last day for nominations for parent governors is Tuesday 15th September. The agenda, ballot sheets and governor details will be available from Friday 18th September. Any parent who wishes to add an agenda item can do so by emailing Mrs. Sthapit-Priest by Friday 25th September.

TBS football success!
The TBS U-8 and U-12 Boys' Football teams played on Saturday in the Parents' Cup football tournament in Mandikhartar. The U-8 team recorded two victories and two losses, finishing in third position. Congratulations to all the U-8 team members who were representing TBS in their first schools' competition.
The U-12 team had a fantastic tournament, recording scorelines of 8-3 versus Kasthamantap, 7-1 versus Sanskriti and 6-1 against Ace school. These high-scoring performances ensured a quarter final place against RIBS school where TBS were beaten 3-2 in a penalty shootout. Alex scored a double and single hat trick in the competition and was awarded highest goal scorer with 12 goals in total. Well done to Coach Gyawali and all the boys who represented TBS on Saturday!

TBS Senior Boys’ Football
The TBS Senior Boys' football team had their first outing of the academic year with a challenge match against Orient Academicals (a.k.a. the TBS Staff team).
The Academicals started strongly and opened the scoring as a result of a mix up in the students' defence. The TBS Senior boys settled well and played some great football in the first two thirds of the game. They created lots of chances but lacked the finishing touch to get scores on the board. The Academicals pulled into a three nil lead which inspired the students to make a comeback scoring two great goals in quick succession. However in the dying minutes, when the students were pushing for an equaliser, the Academicals used their experience to finish the game off with some accurate shooting to record a 6-2 win. Andy deservedly was the students' man of the match for his great defensive work and excellent goal!