Dear Parents, Staff, Students and Friends of TBS,

It has been another very enjoyable week and we have a last busy few days in store before the majority of my colleagues will be taking a well-earned summer break from June 26th. By sanctioning this slightly earlier break, the Board of Governors is rightly recognising the massive effort that all the TBS staff team has expended in keeping children happy and making progress in their learning. A small group will stay on to run the TBS activities week for those who have signed up and we are looking forward to this slightly more relaxed and lower key week which should be great fun!

We are currently in the process of finalising the summer holiday retrofitting and building programme at the moment. We will be open as normal in August and should have strengthened buildings and a few redeveloped areas as well as the usual redecoration. We have always used our lovely grounds for learning, but the outside classrooms have actually been better than being inside in a number of ways and teachers have been very creative in their use of space. We have also spent the last few weeks interviewing a very good field of teachers for our unexpected vacancies and I attach a summary of all the new staff joining us in August. I am sure they will be welcomed wholeheartedly into the TBS community by all.

NB - Follow us on Twitter @TbsKathmandu - it is another way we can get messages to parents if we need to.

Happenings & Events

Next year's Year 12 and 13 back in school

This week it was good to welcome back Years 12 and 13 who have been preparing for university/college applications or beginning to prepare for their AS Level courses and life in the Sixth Form here. The Year 13 students have a lot to do this summer as they research what they will do once they pass their A Levels. The Year 12s have all had taster lessons and information sessions so that they know what to expect in August. All Year 12 & 13 will have a lot to do this summer and hopefully the sessions this week will have helped to direct their efforts.

Links to Primary webpages
F1 F2 Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

Hot weather! Safety!
Please can all parents make sure children do bring a water bottle, a sun hat and have had sun cream applied. They should also have comfortable, but sensible shoes - no crocs, flip flops, etc.

UPCOMING EVENTS...
JUNE
- 19th - 2.30pm - Garage Sale
- 22nd - 24th - Creative Arts Festival (with a Concert at 1.30pm on 24th June)
- 22nd & 23rd - Primary Parents’ meetings (a separate letter has been sent with times)
- 26th - 2.00pm - Final Assembly led by Year 6
- 26th - 2.30pm - End of term
- 29th - 3rd July - TBS Activities week
JULY
- 6th-10th/ 13th-17th — Coach Gyawali’s football coaching camps 9am - 12 noon
AUGUST
- Monday 17th - Back to school!
Summer activities and football camps

a) TBS Activity week (29th June)
We are at full capacity for activities week. Although we have employed some extra staff and recalled some of our TAs and teachers, we have reached the limit we can safely accommodate and I am sure you will support us in putting safety first.

b) Football camps (6th & 13th July)
As there seems to be demand for more summer camps and activities, this is something we will look into for the future. For this year, Coach Gyawali will repeat his successful football camps with two weeks of football coaching (weeks beginning July 6th & July 13th) for those in Years 3-9 that would like to participate. Flyers with full details are available from the PE department and displayed around school.

One of the Sungava girls hard at work!

Clubs for next year - parent or student suggestions?
Clubs end next Friday (26th June) as planned. We are currently preparing the clubs list for August. All the usual favourites will be running during the course of the year, but if there is anything else you would like to see on the list please do see the clubs organiser Rachana Adhikari (radhikari@tbs.edu.np). Rachana will compile any new suggestions and, even if we cannot do them for first club session, we will keep them in mind for later in the year.

Creative Arts activities
Children will be doing workshops, busking and general celebrating creativity and performance from Monday. Year 6 will also work with secondary students in mixed age groups so will finish at 3.30pm on Monday. We will be having a concert on Wednesday afternoon at 1.30pm and parents are welcome to attend if they are available.

Charity appeal
Our TBS charity work continues to go well and, as always, thanks to all our generous donors. We visited Sungava, one of our longstanding community links, and we should be able to help them finish their school which is nearly complete, but requires some finishing touches before they can use it. The girls are still without classrooms and a number are living in their finished building as their homes have been destroyed. Helping them complete the school will allow them to continue to help the girls learn skills that will enable them to live independent lives.