



# The British School

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Dear Year 10 Parents,

## **TBS Graduation Diploma (GP) Parent Information Session Wednesday 19th June, 8.45 am - 9.30 am in the Secondary Library**

I would like to invite you to a special Parents Information Session next Wednesday 19th June at 8:45 am in the secondary library to introduce an exciting new initiative that we will be launching with Year 11 in August.

The British School Kathmandu Graduation Diploma (TBS GP) will assess 7 areas of learning with a focus on developing our students' character in line with the TBS 5Cs. It will be a three-year programme starting in Year 11 and will track students' participation in both the academic and co-curricular life of the school, helping them to develop as independent young adults and to build a strong portfolio for aspirational university applications. IGCSE and A levels will remain the core part of our curriculum in the senior years of the school, but the academic element of the TBS GP will be flexible enough to accommodate those students who are following non-IGCSE and A level pathways.

The TBS GP will be accessible to all students at the school and will be awarded during the Year 13 graduation ceremony at pass, merit or distinction level. The first awards will be to our current year 10 class who will start the programme when they join year 11 on their graduation as the Class of 2027. In Years 12 and 13, students will also be given the opportunity to prepare for the Cambridge Independent Project Qualification (IPQ) which allows them to explore an area of academic interest in much greater depth than possible when preparing for their end of course examinations.

The seven areas of learning that will be assessed are completion of academic courses, attendance, participation in expeditions, community volunteering, physical activity, skills activity and leadership development.

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I look forward to explaining the TBS Graduation Diploma in more detail next week where there will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have and to make suggestions to help us with the implementation.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr. Christopher Draper**

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