



TIS BULLETIN: 21 OCTOBER, 2016

Thought for the Week

Pray as if God will take care of all; act as if all is up to you.
- Ignatius

Calendar

- 22/10/16: TIS Annual Performance: Evolution (7.00pm)
- 28/10/16: Ghana MUN
- 29/10/16: ISSAG Athletics championships; Ghana MUN
- 30/10/16: Visiting Sunday; Ghana MUN; ESS/Biology/Geography excursion to England
- 4/11/16: Speaker of the Year
- 5/11/16: SAT
- 10/11/16: TIS Careers Fair
- 11/11/16: G10&12 Goal setting day; Writers and Photographers Workshop
- 12/11/16: Writers and Photographers Workshop

Making Us Proud

- Sedo Sezan. (fastest boy), and Natasha Tetteh, (fastest girl), who are our athletic 2016 Champions of Champions.
- The cast and crew of Evolution for their commitment and energy towards the success of Saturday night's performance.

Parent Reminders

- Please read the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter, and take action as required.
- Parents must submit an exeat form for any occasion a student needs to exit the school. The information required is:
 - student's name;
 - hostel;
 - reason for the exeat;

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- time and date for student to commence exeat;
- time and date for student to return from exeat;
- name of person requesting the exeat; their relationship to the student.

As many parents are unable to access the exeat slip from the website as they use devices, please include the above details in an email to principal@tis.edu.gh. 48 hours notice is expected. Please ensure you include all details, or the request will not be processed.

- Requests for weekend exeats must be received by the preceding Wednesday. Urgent medical exeats, that are recommended by the school nurse, will receive automatic exeats.
- From 22 November, students will have to produce their TIS Student ID cards to depart for an exeat.
- Gates close at 5.00pm. After this time, vehicles remain outside the gates, unless prior approval has been granted by the Principal, Boarding Liaison (Alex) or Head of Hostel (Richmond or Elizabeth).
- Please email Ken or Bijoux if you have any problem accessing ManageBac (MB) or Naviance.

Visiting Sunday: 30 October

Our next Visiting Sunday will be held on Sunday, 30 October, from 1.00-5.00pm. To gain access on this day, parents should register online or face delays entering. To register, go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/visiting-sunday-30-october-2016-tickets-28784188282>

Use the following password to access the site: Talented Inspiring Students

Please show your ticket to security to access TIS. Tickets will allow vehicles to be parked inside school grounds, unless all car parking spaces are filled. No one will be allowed entry after 4.00pm. All visitors must depart by 5.00pm.

Evolution

TIS Annual Performances are always something special. In line with tradition, Elikem has ensured a different dimension is on display this Saturday night.

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The one and only performance of Evolution: A Tale of Fragmented Sounds will be held in the MPH tomorrow night, Saturday, 22 October. The performance starts at 7.00pm. Tickets are available at the door.

2016 Athletic Championships

Last Friday, 14 October, we witnessed some great performances in the track and field events. Yellow was the overall athletic champions due to their impressive participation in events. Green demonstrated their prowess in athletic events and were awarded the Track and Field trophy. This award was established in recognition of the time and effort a dedicated group of athletes has demonstrated since the start of the academic year by training at 4.30am on most mornings.

Outstanding performances on the day included:

- David Quampah (1) and Daniel Ainebyona (2) who both broke David's existing 1500m record, with David shaving 25 seconds off his record from 2015.
- Andrew Akiwumi who set a new record for the 12 years boys 100m.
- Josid Owusu-Akyaw (1), Torence Mwindaaare (2) and Daniel Ogunwole (3) who all bettered the existing 14 years boys 100m record.
- Gabriella Manu (1) and Maame Ama Benyarko (2) who smashed the previous 15 years girls 100m record.
- Natasha Tetteh (1), Erin Owusu (2) and Samantha Azu (3), each of whom bettered the previous record in the 16 years girls 100m.
- Sedo Sezan who set a new record in 16 years boys 100m and equalled the existing Champion of Champions 100m record of 12 seconds set by Allan Ayitey in 2015.
- Nana Osei Mainoo who set a new record in 17 years boys 100m.
- Abena Okai who bettered the previous record for the open girls 800m and the girls' javelin.
- Natasha Tetteh (1), Gabriella Manu (2) and Maame Benyarko (3) who all ran under 15 seconds to beat the existing girls' champion of champions 100m record.
- Maame Benyarko and Mife Fajemirokum who broke the girls' high jump record.
- David Quartey who set a new record in the boys high jump.
- Luke Ige who set new records in discus and shot put.
- Phoebe Dadson who bettered the existing record in the girls' shot put.
- The green and blue relay teams who smashed previous relay records.

TIS athletes now look forward to the ISSAG athletics carnival at El Wak next Saturday, 29 October.

Third Annual Writing and Photography Workshop

This event is organized by TIS and will be held on Friday and Saturday, 11-12 November, at TIS. Participation is recommended for enthusiastic writers and photographers. G10 and 12 students will be unable to attend due to their goal-setting day on 11 November.

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I appreciate your support

Dr. Ken Darvall
Principal

MYP Corner

The passion of being a teacher.

At times I wonder: “How did I get here?” or “How did I get to where I am now?”

There is a picture of me in a cowboy outfit at the age of 4, so that might have been my first aspiration, but I was certainly not planning to become a teacher. After being graduated as a professional artist I decided to go into teaching probably more for financial reasons than having had a revelation.

It did turn out however that I really enjoyed teaching (still do), and being around with young people all day. It is this passion that I notice also when walking through school and popping into classrooms. You walk around school and here and there you can feel and hear that there is something special going on. The more practical and hands on the activities are, the more excited students seem to get. In that sense I’m lucky to be an art teacher.



It is the passion of teachers who make this happen every day, every week, year in and year out. Some might be born teachers, others might have seen the light at a later stage like me, but in the end I’m sure they like to be around with, and teach, their students as much as I do. During your career you probably will go through a number of changes in education as well, like we are doing this year with the introduction of the MYP. We are not alone in this and all over the world, schools and teachers are in the same position.

This is where I in my role as IB Educator/workshop leader for the Arts, lead workshops for teachers new to the MYP.

This takes me to Dubai this weekend and to Berlin in two weeks time, where I will be training Arts teachers about the MYP. For most of them, being new to the MYP it is mostly about gaining the knowledge to take away some of the anxiety and boost their confidence. Hopefully they will then

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go back to their schools and apply some of the newly learned strategies and have great learning experiences going on for their students as well.

Ate Hemmes
MYP Coordinator

College Counselor's Corner



Naviance: Naviance was used to help students in Grades 7 and 8 explore their interests, and how these interests relate to their future careers. Our Grade 9 students this week mapped out some of their career objectives.

ACT and SAT – December registration for SAT and ACT has closed. All payments should be made in U.S. dollars only. The SAT is \$110 and the ACT is \$100.

College Visits

27 October – African Leadership University (Mauritius), 1:45 p.m., New Exam Hall

31 October – Kalamazoo College (USA), 1:45 p.m., New Exam Hall

College Highlights (USA)

Johns Hopkins University

A top university that encourages undergraduate research (74% of undergraduates conduct research).

- 10% international students from 58 countries
- 100% of financial need is met; highly competitive application for international students applying for financial aid
- Average SAT: 2100 Average ACT: 32
- Admittance rate: 11.5%
- Center for enterprise to encourage students to start businesses

Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD)

Known as “The University for Creative Careers,” SCAD made a very colourful & inspiring presentation with live videos showcasing the creative work of their students.

- Popular Courses such as Fashion Design, Industrial Design, Interior Design, Graphic Design, Performing Arts, Game Design and Architecture.
- Total Cost of attendance, approximately \$45,000
- Full tuition scholarships available and other scholarships from \$1000 to \$35,000 (Selective application process)

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- All students reviewed automatically for academic scholarships. Achievement scholarships require 2 letters for recommendation, portfolio, CV, a personal statement etcetera.
- 67% acceptance rate
- 24% international students

The College Guides invite you to enjoy this year's Career Fair on 10 November, 2016. Please see the attached poster for details.



IBDP Update

Looking forward to a wonderful support from Parents and family members to make Evolution a grand success. Students are well prepared to enthrall you with a mesmerizing performance. Updates for the week ahead.

IA deadlines for the next week

Owing to the October revision exercise next week there are no IA deadlines for Grade 12 next week.

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EE Sessions

Grade 11 students will have their extended essay session coming Monday. Focus for this week's session will be meeting with Supervisors (Review of Action Plan/ Research proposal)

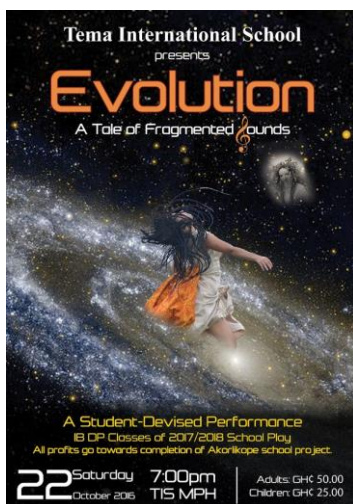
Revision Exercise

The October revision exercise for the Grade 12 , will start from 25-10-16 during the regular class time and end by 28-10-16 , allowing the students going on biology trip to complete their revision for the first mock examination in November 2016.

November Examinations

Grade 11 will write their end of semester examinations and Grade 12 their first mock examinations from 21 November, 2016. Schedule and syllabus will be shared in the next week.

CAS & Creative Arts updates



This year, the IB DP Classes of 2017 & 2018, are staging *EVOLUTION: a tale of fragmented sounds*, a student-devised performance.

The musical performance narrates the different phases of music through time. Through several improvisational exercises in dance, drama, narration, imagery and digital arts, the performance presents a creative interpretation of the evolution of music.

You are invited to witness the music, drama and dance as the story unfolds.

To reserve your ticket click on the link: [https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/evolution-tickets-](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/evolution-tickets-28649156398?aff=estw)

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For more information, kindly contact +233(0) 244 615 255 or surama.king@tis.edu.gh

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Apart from its entertainment purposes, *EVOLUTION* aims to raise funds towards completion of Akorlikope building project, a TIS CAS service learning project. Below is a reflection on how the Akorlikope journey started.

AKORLI's village (KOPE)

'Akorlikope our community'

Service is the act of doing something for the benefit of others or for the greater good, defined in the CAS guide as 'collaborative and reciprocal engagement with the community in response to an authentic need'. With that in mind TIS searched for a community to adopt for its Service experiences. The IB DP Class of 2012 was assigned to find that community.



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A number of deprived villages were suggested through collaboration with *Center for African Mission*. Ambavi, a member of the DP class of 2012 loved the sound of Akorlikope. Mr Tay explained the meaning behind the name: *Akorli is the name of the person who settled there first, while Kope means village (Ewe language)*. The story behind the name alone was enough to sway our students into going for this village, not to mention the fact that it was a deprived community with almost nothing in terms of social amenities and basic necessities, and hence provided more



opportunities for them to render services for the benefit of others. Akorlikope was the choice and preparations started towards our first trip. In April, 2011, the yellow buses of TIS started the journey to this unknown village, with no idea of what to expect. However, the excitement and the joy in having such an opportunity to serve was priceless.

As we arrived, we met a vast land, surrounded by small farms, mud houses and a water pond which served as a water reservoir to the entire community. The children, the adults and the cattle bathed in it while as the same time, the brown water served as the only source of drinking water for the village. 63 children were learning under a palm tree shed, an improvised school with no tables or chairs started by a missionary called Pastor Steven. With the bare floor as the only seats available for students, toilets and clean water was a distant dream. No electricity, no toys, no uniform or school shoes. Benedicta (Class of 2012) had to ask if we were at the right place: *“Mrs. King, I thought we were going to Akorlikope community, and we will be at their school ground, a missionary school. Are we at the right place???”* The children were so appreciative and hardworking, the land, beautiful with small plantations of chilli pepper and cassava. The community elders made us feel at home. There



was laughter, there was contentment. We found a family, a family that taught us one of the most important lessons no classroom could teach us; to value and be appreciative of what we have.

Our students found it hard to believe how such a deprived community could exist just an hour and half drive away from the nation's capital. Pierre, Dodzi, Ambavi, Rita and Eric called an emergency meeting. After 30 minutes, Rita ran after us shouting: *“We are going to build a school here. We are doing it ourselves. We can't let this kids down.”*

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The One Ghana Cedi campaign started. It was phenomenal. The TIS community contributed with such commitment. The idea was to raise money to buy bags of cement and start building the foundation. When our late Co-Founder Mr. Adjavon heard the students' initiative, he came over to make his contribution and he met the initiators: *"Here is my seed money. I am flabbergasted (a word he said when he was extremely happy about something). We are developing caring future leaders. That's the whole idea.*

Keep me posted. Mrs. Adjavon's constant visits and advices took the project to another level.

The dream did not die with the completion of the IB DP class of 2012. Subsequent classes took this up with the same passion and commitment. The AkorliCAS liquid soap was made by students, and was a total sell-out. Students were engaged in different activities to raise money. The best of all was the opportunity to go to Akorlikope twice in a year to work on the project. From making blocks, painting, teaching the women to make soap, teaching the children, cooking, cleaning up; year by year, the project grew. Each class had its own innovative ways of contributing to the project.



It's been almost 6 years since we stepped in Akorlikope. There are 5 classrooms completed, each filled with furniture. Electricity and clean water have been made available to the community, and the children's school fees are covered for every term. But we need more: a better toilet facility, more classrooms, a bungalow for teachers, a canteen; and the opportunity to support the school to develop a better teaching and learning approach. The IB DP Class of 2013 sped up the project after their massive fund raise fun fair dubbed **#Countdown**;

The class of 2014 launched **EDUCOM**, a group who provided stationeries and school fees for the children. The Class of 2015 initiated Liter of Light, a project which provides the community with solar light made from recycled water bottles. The Class of 2016, with the initiative of Derek Bonsu, made sure the water pump was fixed, raising over GHC 8.000 to repair the pump.

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The Class of 2017, with *CureAidGhana*, started to educate the children on the importance of hand washing. Rinnah Krobo Edusei and Sarah King established an *Art therapy project* to ensure the children explored art. *EDUCOM*, led by Nubuke, made sure the school fees were paid on time, while *Helping Hands* provided food for the children, as well as toys and stationeries.



The class of 2018, inspired by their predecessors, continued a number of projects and started new ones for the betterment of the community, such as: *Happy Feet initiative, Dress for Success, Pen in a Box Ghana, Feed a Child program, Sound of Triumph Gospel concert* and *Evolution: a tale of fragmented sound, our 2016 Annual production*. As they plan for their second

trip in January a lot of work is going on to make sure they achieve their goal in completing various projects in Akorlikope.

A huge thank you to all Alumni who left their footprints in 'our Village', the Akoli's village, inspiring their juniors. Thank you to our parents and friends of TIS, our dearest Co-Founders,



Management, our dedicated teachers, the passionate CAS advisors and staff. To the Akorlikope community, we are grateful for opening your hearts to us, and for continuing to teach us what the classroom didn't.

As you witness another great production of our Talented Inspiring Students, join us in improving the quality of Graceland Academy and also support the community in developing themselves.

Together we can do more!

Surama King - CAS coordinator

Click on the links below to know more about our project.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nsf4myMlBs&t=2s>

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TIS Athletic Records

TIS School Athletic Records

As at 15/10/16

EVENT	AGE	STUDENT	COLOUR	RECORD	YEAR
100 metres	Open Girls	Baabah Ackah	Green	16.58	2015
100 metres	Open Boys	Allan Ayitey	Green	12	2015
100 metres	17 Years Girls	Crystal Owusu-Amaah	Red	16.08	2015
100 metres	17 Years Boys	Nana Osei Mainoo	Yellow	12.38	2016
100 metres	16 Years Girls	Natasha Tetteh	Green	14.88	2016
100 metres	16 Years Boys	Sedo Sezan	Green	12.19	2016
100 metres	15 Years Girls	Gabriella Manu	Green	14.54	2016
100 metres	15 Years Boys	Sedo Sezan	Green	12.44	2015
100 metres	14 Years Girls	Maame Benyarko	Blue	15	2015
100 metres	14 Years Boys	Josid Owusu-Akyaw	Green	13.15	2016
100 metres	13 Years Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	16.08	2015
100 metres	13 Years Boys	Ayeh Obeng	Blue	13.82	2015
100 metres	12 Years Girls	Lydia Boahen	Green	15.88	2015
100 metres	12 Years Boys	Andrew Akiwumi	Red	14.16	2016
100 metres	Girls Champion of Champions	Natasha Tetteh	Green	14.75	2016
100 metres	Boys Champion of Champions	Sedo Sezan/Allan Ayitey	Green	12	2016/2015
200 metres	Junior Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	28.32	2015
200 metres	Junior Boys	Ayeh Obeng	Blue	25.33	2015
200 metres	Intermediate Girls	Gabriella Manu	Green	26.52	2015
200 metres	Intermediate Boys	Joel Agbey	Blue	22.11	2015
200 metres	Open Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	28.83	2015
200 metres	Open Boys	Troy Amegashie	Blue	21.21	2015
400 metres	Open Girls	Maame Ama	Blue	1.03.84	2015
400 metres	Open Boys	Draiden Sai-Vega	Green	50.52	2015
800 metres	Open Girls	Abena Okai	Green	2.47.16	2016
800 metres	Open Boys	David Quampah	Red	1.55.64	2015
1500 metres	Open Girls	Etornam Attiope	Yellow	6.55.82	2015
1500 metres	Open Boys	David Quampah	Red	4.13.55	2016
4x100 metres Relay	12-15 Years Girls	Green	Green	54.59	2016
4x100 metres Relay	12-15 Years Boys	Blue	Blue	46.02	2016
4x100 metres Relay	Open Girls	Green	Green	50.84	2016
4x100 metres Relay	Open Boys	Blue	Blue	42.5	2016
4x100 metres Relay	Special Mixed	Red	Red	46.63	2015
Discus	Open Girls	Emmanuella Bennin	Blue	18.22	2015
Discus	Open Boys	Luke Ige	Green	26.61m	2016
Shot Put	Open Girls	Phoebe Dadson	Green	7.5m	2016
Shot Put	Open Boys	Luke Ige	Green	11.8m	2016
Javelin	Open Girls	Abena Okai	Green	15.6m	2016
Javelin	Open Boys	Clement Owusu	Green	35.55m	2015
High Jump	Open Girls	Maame Benyarko/Mife Fajemirokun	Red/Blue	140cm	2016
High Jump	Open Boys	David Quartey	Yellow	180cm	2016

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Modern Languages Corner

Once upon a time in Spain 2014.....



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Alumni Corner

Our Alumni of the week



Name: Selase Dela Brown

Year group: 2013

Hostel: Catherine

Color Group: Yellow

Roles played at TIS: Assistant sports prefect, MUN delegate

Awards: Best female Sports, ABRSM music certificate

University : Ashesi University

University major : Management Information Systems

Reflections about TIS : I am grateful for the grounding as a teenager. TIS prepared me for university work load. I loved the diversity in education (sports, teamwork, art, music, relational).

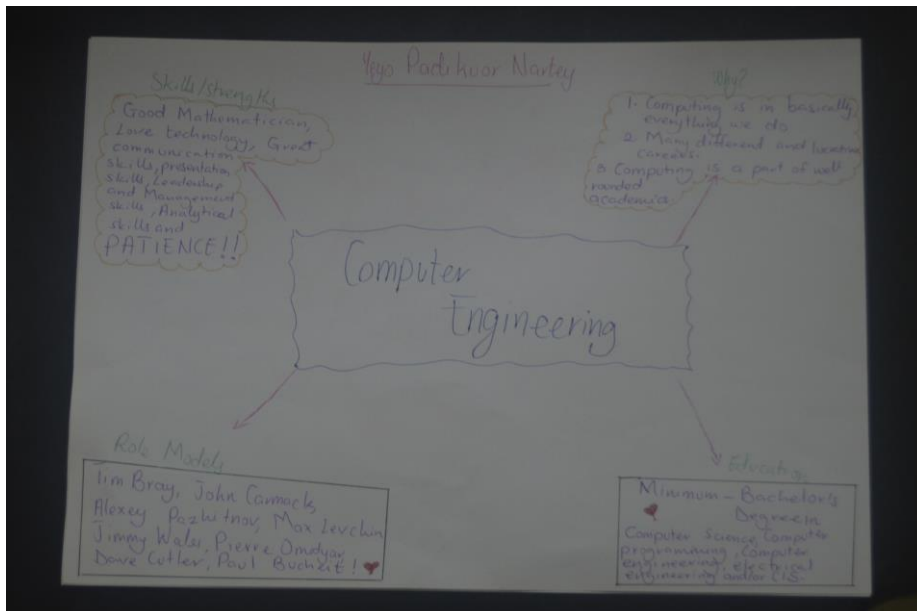
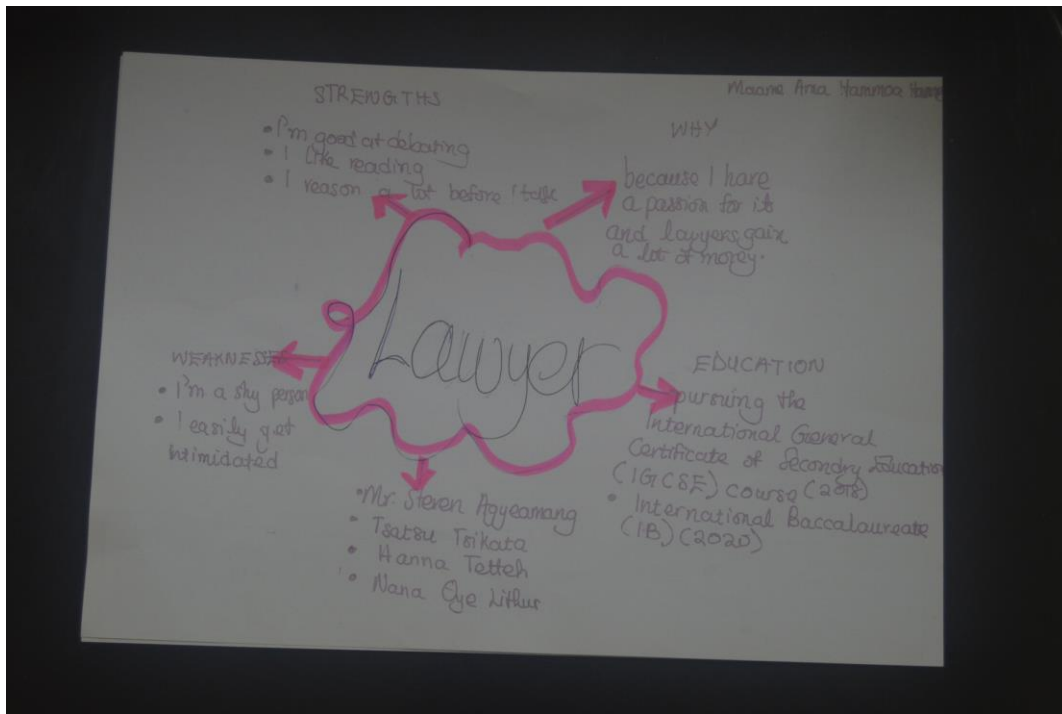
There was learning everywhere and for everyone.

Philosophy: Learn about you because you will spend all of life with you. Develop yourself by learning and having a whole life. Nurture your gifts, and relationships with those around you.

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When College Guides interacted with some students.....



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You have got to be at TIS on 22 October for this Spectacular Play!!!

Tema International School
presents
Evolution
A Tale of Fragmented Sounds

A Student-Devised Performance
IB DP Classes of 2017/2018 School Play
All profits go towards completion of Akorlikope school project.

22 Saturday
October 2016

7:00pm
TIS MPH

Adults: GH¢ 50.00
Children: GH¢ 25.00

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Photos from the Athletics Carnival



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Mid-week Assembly in Pictures.....



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**WRITING & PHOTOGRAPHY
WORKSHOP**

THEME:

**PAINTING THE VOICES OF OUR GENERATION THROUGH
WRITING AND PHOTOGRAPHY**

Do you love to write stories, poems, song lyrics, or aspire to be a script writer?
Do you love taking pictures and yet have no idea how to position yourself against the light?
Or perhaps you have a good camera but usually struggle to find your way around it.

If you love to let it all out through the pen on paper, or want to know where to stand for that
perfect shot of that perfect moment, then you do not want to miss this year's
TIS Creative Writing and Photography Workshop.

This workshop will afford you the opportunity to develop your writing and photography skills, while connecting
with students from around the region, who hail from various parts of the
world. For further information regarding the workshop, kindly contact
Irene Koree on 024 313 2523 or at irene.koree@tis.edu.gh
Registration is open from 13 to 21 October. Forms are available on TIS website www.tis.edu.gh

Friday Saturday
11 & 12
November 2016



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