



PARENTS' BULLETIN: 6 NOVEMBER, 2015

Thought for the Week

If you think you can do a thing, or you can't do a thing, you're right.

- Henry Ford

Important Dates

- 14/11/15: Interschool athletics carnival (Elwak Sports Stadium)
- 20/11/15: Sarafina: Opening night
- 21/11/15: Sarafina: Finale
- 28/11/15: Interschool swimming carnival and volleyball competition (both @TIS)
- 30/11/15: End of semester exams commence
- 4/12/15: Farmers' Day (Public holiday)
- 5/12/15: SAT testing session
- 9/12/15: Christmas lunch
- 10/12/15: Board meeting
- 12/12/15: ACT testing session
- 13/12/15: Christmas Fiesta
- 14/12/15: Joint Hostels Christmas Party
- 15/12/15: 3-Way Conferences (7.30am-1.00pm) Students leave for Christmas break
- 17/12/15: Semester 1 Reports published
- 7/1/16: Staff recommence duties; Admin office opens; staff in-school workshop commences
- 8/1/16: Staff in-school workshop continues (Day 2)
- 9/1/16: Students return to school
- 11/1/16: Semester 2 commences
- 16/1/16: TIS Fun Fair
- 17/1/16: Semester 2 Thanksgiving service

Mid-Semester Return

Students returned refreshed and ready to complete a busy first semester.



3-Way Interviews

A big thank you to those parents who were able to attend the 3-way interviews today. A reminder to parents who were unable to attend, should you wish to discuss your son and/or daughter's performance with a class teacher, then contact the teacher by email so that a mutually convenient time can be arranged.

Similarly, international parents should email teachers to arrange a skype/session at a mutually convenient time.

International Students

The coordination of flights for our international students is important for transportation purposes to and from Accra airport.

On 15 December, if international students do not have their parents attending the 3-way conferences, then their flight should be booked for that morning.

On 9 January (2016) when students return from the Christmas vacation, they should be booked on the morning arrival (in Accra) flight.

While I appreciate that many/most international parents may have already booked the flights for their sons and/or daughters for this period, I request that all future flights are booked on this basis (viz., morning departures and arrivals.)

As always, I am happy to hear from any international parents if this process will cause an issue.

Sport

November commenced with the TIS swimming team competing at the National Championships in Kumasi. Despite the poor pool conditions, our TIS representatives swam well and finished second overall, a most credible feat. TIS is very proud of you

During November, TIS representatives will be involved in athletics, swimming and volleyball interschool carnivals. The TIS athletics team is included in this bulletin, while the TIS swimming and volleyball teams will be included in next week's bulletin.

The 2015 Athletics Champions can be found in this bulletin, along with the current TIS records for athletics.

Sarafina

Have you booked your tickets? This great school production will premiere on Friday, 20 November and the finale performance will be held on the following night, 21 November.

Tickets are on sale now. Don't miss out.



ASCUUS Update

CIS Tour

Last Friday, counselors and students attended the CIS tour hosted by Lincoln Community School. It was great to meet international admissions officers in person and learn more about their schools.

This week, we've shared information from these colleges with students.

Calvin College Visit

Cute and friendly. Alumni and international admissions assistant, Sarah Bonthuis (Calvin College) met with our students and counselors this Monday. We appreciated our one-on-one time with her as she shared insightful information about the school. It was a rare opportunity for students who haven't visited the campus!

We are also happy to hear that our alumni Bernadette and Benedicta Arthur (**IB Class of 2012**) are excelling in Calvin college.

Calvin highlights from Sarah Bonthuis (Calvin College, International Admissions Assistant)

- The religion is like a "buffet" and not forced on anyone, but there are a variety of options such as chapel, Bible study, and religious leaders on each dorm floor
- 18-20,000 dollars of financial aid is the norm
- Free online financial aid application and a supplemental aid form for those filling FAFSA in case all information was not captured in FAFSA
- It is not hard to double major; it is definitely an option
- Music scholarships available

More details on Managebac.

REMINDERS

Careers' Day

At **2pm** this Friday, we will be "pursuing our dream in today's competitive world" as students interact with seasoned professionals from different fields. Many thanks to all parents volunteering for this event. The venue is our **MPH**. Parents are invited!

This Saturday... November SAT

Please be reminded that without valid (unexpired) passports, students would not be allowed to take the test. Scanned copies or photocopies are unacceptable. The passport is the only acceptable form of identification for all test takers to be admitted into the exam hall.

All the best to our test takers.

College Visits

Don't forget the rainy day... **Friday 13th November, 2015**



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- Vassar College
- Colby College
- Grinnell College
- Cornell University
- Columbia University

You are invited to attend.

Time: 1:45 pm; Venue: Old Exam Hall

Clicking the “Submit Button”: 20 November, 2015:

We want our students to stand out in the competitive pool of applicants! We want to be given special considerations! We want the fat financial packages. We want to be the first ones to grab the scholarships.

That’s why we are sending all IB2 students applications by **20th November, 2015**. Students with earlier deadlines must apply before this date.

IB2 parents are entreated to finalize college lists with our students in time so that we can meet our target date.

Support us! Let’s click submit to the next four years of our students’ lives.

Humanities Department

Report on the SOS-HGIC MUN Conference from 22nd -24th October, 2015.

A total of forty-six (46) T.I.S delegates participated in SOS-HGIC Model United Nations Conference from Thursday 22nd to Saturday 24th October, 2015. They were chaperoned alternatively by three teachers from the Humanities Department. The Student Directors for this MUN Conference were Raphael Agyarko, (IB2), Kuukua Gyan-Tawiah (IB2) and Ryan Apreala (IB1) who were also chosen as Chairs for UNESCO, World Health Organization (WHO) and Advisory Panel respectively. Tema International School won six Formal Awards and seven Non-Formal Awards making a total of thirteen awards. The following are the recipients of the Formal Awards;

Yaw Kwakwa (IB2) - Contributing Immensely to the Advisory Panel

Kirk Alistair (Grade 9) - Contributing Immensely to the Advisory Panel

Nubuke Gadzagpo (IB1)- Best Delegate at 2015 SOS-HGIC MUN Conference

Enam Hermon (Grade 8) - Best Delegate at 2015 SOS- HGIC MUN Conference

Nana Adwoa Amo (IB1) - Best Delegate at 2015 SOS -HGIC MUN Conference

Afia Addai (IB1) - Best Delegate at 2015 SOS -HGIC MUN Conference

The under-listed are recipients of the Non-Formal Awardees;

Afia Addai (IB1) – Best Resolution and Most Diplomatic (UNESCO)

Sharon Ashun (IB1) – Best Dress (UNESCO)



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Kekeli Torkornoo (Grade 8)- Best Opening Speech (UNESCO)

Lucille Lokko (Grade 10)– Most Dipmatic – (World Health Organization-WHO)

Abena Okai (Grade 9) ---- Best Dress (World Health Organization-WHO)

Mawuena Gadzekpo (IB1)--- Best Dress (Security Council)

Yaw Kwakwa (IB2) - Best Delegate (Advisory Panel)

School Play



SARAFINA, by Mbongeni Ngema - Apart from its entertainment purposes, *Sarafina* also aims at raising funds towards Tema International School's community service projects. Specific projects initiated by our students and supported by this fund include:

Akorlikope Educom Project;

Christmas Outreach ('Box of Love'); Liter of light Ghana; Literacy program; Providing School uniforms and feeding school children; Red Cross Awareness campaign; Building of schools and providing clean sources of water, Children with Congenital heart disorders, etc.

Parents are invited to attend the Saturday, 21st of November show, the Friday show is for invited schools only. Any parent who would not be able to attend the Saturday show and prefers Friday show should kindly contact Angela ASAP.

Date: 21ST November, 2015 (Saturday) for parents and family

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: TIS Multi-Purpose Hall

Tickets: *Adults-GHC50.00, Students-GHC25.00.* To reserve or buy your ticket contact: Ms. Angela Sermackor +233-242303588



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LIST OF SELECTED ATHLETES FOR TRAINING SQUAD

ISSAG ATHLETICS MEET 14TH NOVEMBER 2015

EVENT	NAME	EVENT	NAME
100m	GABRIELLA MANU	100m	ALLAN ARYEETEY
	MAAME AMA BENYARKO		SALIM YAKUBU
	IDA WILLIAMS		SEDO SEZAN
			TROY AMEGASHIE
200m	OLUWAYANMIFE FAJEMIROKUN	200m	DRAIDEN SAI-VEGA
	ABENA OKAI		TROY AMEGASHIE
			ALLAN ARYEETEY
			ALISTAIR KIRK
400m	MAAME AMA BENYARKO	400m	DRAIDEN SAI-VEGA
	GABRIELLA MANU		DANIEL AINEBYONA
	INDIA AGYEMAN		DAVID QUAMPAH
800m	ESSIE BAIDEN	800m	DAVID QUAMPAH
	ETORNAM ATTIPOE		LOUIS AWUKU-ABOAGYE
	ABENA OKAI		SEDO SEZAN
1500m	ETORNAM ATTIPOE	1500m	DAVID QUAMPAH
	ABENA OKAI		LOUIS AWUKU-ABOAGYE
	MFONABASI OKUTINYANG		KOFI SAKYI-ADDO
DISCUS	EMMANEUILLA BENNIN	DISCUS	LUKE IGE
	BAABA ACKAH		ISAAC CLEMENT-OWUSU
SHOT PUT	AKOSUA KONADU APPIAH	SHOT PUT	LUKE IGE
	SAMANTHA AGYAPONG		ISAAC CLEMENT-OWUSU
JAVELIN	ESI ASANTE	JAVELIN	ISAAC CLEMENT-OWUSU
	BAABA ACKAH		SALIM YAKUBU
HIGH JUMP	MAAME AMA BENYARKO	HIGH JUMP	DAVID QUARTEY
	ESI ASANTE		SALIM YAKUBU
			SAMUEL KUMI



TIS Athletics Records

EVENT	AGE	STUDENT	COLOUR	RECORD	YEAR
100 metres	Open Boys	Allan Aryeetey	Green	12	2015
100 metres	Open Girls	Baaba Ackah	Green	16.58	2015
100 metres	17 Years Boys	David Quampah	Red	12.67	2015
100 metres	17 Years Girls	Crystal Owusu- Amaah	Red	16.08	2015
100 metres	16 Years Boys	Salim Yakubu	Red	12.23	2015
100 metres	16 Years Girls	Nuna Attipoe	Green	17.57	2015
100 metres	15 Years Boys	Sedo Sezan	Green	12.44	2015
100 metres	15 Years Girls	Maame Ama	Blue	15.06	2015
100 metres	14 Years Boys	John Abbeo	Green	14.51	2015
100 metres	14 Years Girls	Maame Ama Benyarko	Blue	15	2015
100 metres	13 Years Boys	Ayeh Obeng	Blue	13.82	2015
100 metres	13 Years Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	16.08	2015
100 metres	12 Years and Under Boys	Michael Kumi	Yellow	14.66	2015
100 metres	12 Years and Under Girls	Lydia Boahen	Green	15.88	2015
100 metres	Boys Champion of Champions	Allan Aryeetey	Green	12	2015
100 metres	Girls Champion of Champions	Gabriella Manu	Green	15.23	2015
200 metres	Junior Boys	Ayeh Obeng	Blue	25.33	2015
200 metres	Junior Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	28.32	2015
200 metres	Intermediate Boys	Joel Agbey	Blue	22.11	2015
200 metres	Intermediate Girls	Gabriella Manu	Green	26.52	2015
200 metres	Open Boys	Troy Amegashie	Blue	21.21	2015
200 metres	Open Girls	Oluwayanmife Fajemirokun	Red	28.83	2015
400 metres	Open Boys	Draiden Sai-Vega	Green	50.52	2015
400 metres	Open Girls	Maame Ama	Blue	1.03.84	2015
800 metres	Open Boys	David Quampah	Red	1.55.64	2015
800 metres	Open Girls	Essie Baiden	Red	2.59.88	2015
1500 metres	Open Boys	David Quampah	Red	4.38.46	2015
1500 metres	Open Girls	Etornam Attipoe	Yellow	6.55.82	2015
4x100 metres Relay	12-15 years Boys	Blue	Blue	47.35	2015
4x100 metres Relay	12-15 years Girls	Red	Red	55.81	2015
4x100 metres Relay	Open Boys	Green	Green	43.06	2015
4x100 metres Relay	Open Girls	Green	Green	56.3	2015
4x100 metres Relay	Special Mixed	Red	Red	46.63	2015
Discus	Open Boys	Luke Ige	Green	26.39	2015
Discus	Open Girls	Emmanuella Bennin	Blue	18.22	2015
Shot Put	Open Boys	Luke Ige	Green	11.24	2015
Shot Put	Open Girls	Akosua Appiah	Red	6.9	2015
Javelin	Open Boys	Isaac Clement- Owusu	Green	35.55	2015
Javelin	Open Girls	Esi Asante	Yellow	14.9	2015
High Jump	Open Boys	David Quartey	Yellow	170	2015
High Jump	Open Girls	Maame Ama Benyarko	Blue	130	2015

As at 22/10/15

2015 TIS Athletics Carnival - Age Champions

AGE	DIVISION	BOYS	GIRLS
12	Junior	Michael Kumi	Lydia Boahen
13	Junior	Ayeh Obeng	Yanmife Fajemirokun
14	Junior	Samuel Kumi & John Abbeo	Gabriella Manu
15	Intermediate	Sedo Sezan	Maame Ama Benyarko
16	Intermediate	Salim Yakubu	Nuna Attipoe
17	Senior	David Quampah	Abena Okai
18	Senior	Allan Aryeetey	Baaba Ackah
Open	Champion of Champions	Allan Aryeetey	Gabriella Manu
12/13/14	Junior Champion	Ayeh Obeng	Gabriella Manu
15/16	Intermediate Champion	Salim Yakubu	Maame Ama Benyarko
17+	Senior Champion	David Quampah	Abena Okai

As at 2/11/15.

I appreciate your support.

Dr Ken Darvall
Principal

Pictures from various activities / events on & off TIS campus











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