

TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL Monthly Email NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2014/JANUARY 2015

DEAR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS,

DECEMBER 2014

School Play "This is Our Chance"

Thank you for your presence and participation during the staging of our School play on Saturday 8th November, Thank you all for your contributions.

ISSAG Games

The ISSAG games were held on Saturday 15th November 2014 at SOS-HGIC. TIS presented teams for swimming and volleyball and the teams made us proud.



Book Sharing

The seventh and eighth grades' book sharing activities which were organized on 4th, 5th and 6th of November, 2014 were a success. Students and teachers had a memorable experience which ensured further bonding. Book sharing gives students the opportunity to share what they are reading with other students, teachers, and friends, as well as other members of our community and to discover new books based on their colleagues' recommendations. By writing a short summary of a book, they have read, students learn to apply comprehension, writing and summary skills. The activity offers all students a chance to interact: to speak, to listen attentively, to follow instructions and write critical thinking questions; but, even more importantly, it gives students a chance to be creative, innovative and imaginative, and to inspire others. We are very proud of our students for their work and efforts. We are appreciative of all those who support and motivate our students to read.

CAS COMMUNITY SERVICE TRIP

The Community Service Trip for IB students is scheduled for Saturday, 29th

November, 2014 at 8:00am to the Prampram Community.

As part of our Christmas outreach programme, our students will be reaching out to about 1000 children, in the Prampram Community, engage them in different activities. We would be grateful for your support in the form of donations in cash and kind (used clothes and shoes, food items, beverages, water, stationery items, etc).

Join us in making this Christmas a memorable one for the children living in this community. To many, what we do for them will be their only hope of celebrating Christmas. Parents are welcome to spend the day with us on this rewarding experience. For more details and to help, kindly contact: 0244615255 (Mrs. King - CAS team).



Parent-Teacher Conference 2014

Our Parent-Teacher Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, 9th of December, 2014 from 8.00am to 12 noon. This conference will be for all parents/guardians with wards in Grades 7 to 12. This is an opportunity for you to meet with the teachers to discuss your ward's performance this semester. The conference will be held at the classroom block with teachers seated according to their departments. Reports for your wards should be picked up from the main walkway at the classroom area before coming to meet the teachers.

A map of directions will be posted at vantage points to direct you to the various teachers.

If you are unable to attend the Parent-Teacher Conference, please do let me know as soon as possible on 0303 305 134/308 737 or fsackey@tis.edu.gh

CHANGE IN DATES FOR REVISION FOR MOCK & MOCK EXAMINATIONS FOR GRADES 10 & 12

Mock examinations for Grades 10 & 12 students will commence from 3rd March, 2015 and end on 13th March, 2015 instead of the scheduled period of 23rd February to 4th March, 2015.

In view of this, revision for Mock will commence from 23^{rd} February and end on 27th February, 2015.

Weekend at Home for candidates

Weekend at home for Grades 10 & 12 students will begin from Thursday 12th February to Sunday 15th February, 2015 instead of Thursday 5th March, 2015 to Sunday 8th March, 2015.

This decision has become necessary for the following reasons:

1. The postponement of the first semester re-opening date for one

- week due to the Ebola outbreak in some West Africa states
- 2. The need to increase the revision time for the final examinations.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

 All parents are cordially invited to our annual <u>Christmas Fiesta</u> on Sunday 7th December, 2014 at the Multi-Purpose Hall of the school at 7:00pm. Gentle reminder and text messages will be sent as the day draws closer.

Please start your journey early to avoid the traffic jam from Accra to the school.

 The Admin Office will break for the Christmas holidays from Wednesday 10th December, 2014 by 2:00pm to Friday 2nd January, 2015.

JANUARY 2015

Candidates for IGCSE and IB examinations 2015

In May, 2015, TIS will have 71 Grade 10 and 57 IB2 students taking the *IGCSE* and IBexaminations respectively. We will therefore be focusing on getting the students ready for their Mocks in March and the final examinations in May. May we request that you kindly support your wards and encourage them as much as possible when you interact with them, during school activities and visiting Sundays. Furthermore, should there be any concerns that require our attention, please don't hesitate to contact me.

<u>RE-OPENING AND RESUMPTION</u> <u>OF CLASSES</u>

School re-opens on Sunday 4th January, 2015. All students are required to be back in school by 5pm

on the same day. Classes will commence on **Monday** 5th **January**, 2015.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- The 2015 Semester Thanksgiving Service is on Sunday, 11th January, 2015 at 4:00pm.
- International General Certificate
 of Secondary Education (IGCSE)
 Registration for Grade 10 students
 is on Monday 12th January, 2014.
- Visiting Sunday for all Grades (7-12) is on Sunday, 25th January, 2015 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.
- 4. A group of IB 1 students will embark on a CAS trip to Akorlikope on Saturday 31st January, 2015 to continue the building of the Graceland Academy for the community. They will return to school on Sunday, 1st February, 2015.

BIRTHDAYS

Finally, TIS would like to wish our dear students, staff, parents and guardians whose birthdays in December/January a Happy Birthday.

The February newsletter will be emailed to parents by <u>26th</u> <u>January</u>, <u>2015.</u>

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

We do welcome your comments and suggestions on how to make this newsletter more relevant to you. Do not hesitate to contact us via info@tis.edu.gh if you have any queries or concerns.

Warm Regards Ag. Principal



























December 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
IB2 CAS essay - final draft (Managebac)	Reports from Form tutors	Christmas Lunch/ Submission of dept report by HOD's to Dos	Reports for Principal's signature	Farmers Day/ Joint Hostel Xmas parties		* Christmas Fiesta
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Hostel Clean up and Inspection	P/T Confab: Students leave for Xmas break	Admin office closes by 2pm				

January 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1	2	3	4
			New Years day	Admin office opens; Staff report to school		Students return to school
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Classes begin	SMT meeting	Sports Sign Up				Semester Thanksgiving service
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
IGCSE registration: CAS sign up begins		HOD meeting	Dept meetings begin	CAS sign up ends		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Dept meetings end		Mock questions to HOD's	Inter colour soccer competition	*Visiting Sunday 1:00pm - 5:00pm
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Mock questions to DoS			Staff meeting		IB1 CAS trip begins	