



DEAR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS,

THANK YOU

Many thanks to all who attended our 2nd Semester Thanksgiving Service and the Memorial Service of our Late Co-Founder, Mr. Alphonse Ayite Adjavon held on Sunday 11th January, 2015. We are very grateful to you for honoring our invitation and spending some time with us and your wards. We appreciate your presence and your time immensely. Thank you.

TIS Admissions 2015/16

We will begin our Admissions process for the next academic year, 2015/2016: forms will be

available **online only** as from 2^{nd} of February, 2015 from our website. The entry grades for the 2015/16 academic year are 7, 9 and 11 (IB1). Interested parents seeking admission for their wards should kindly visit our website on www.tis.edu.gh to complete the application forms online and upload theother relevant documents. Please call us on 0249637762 (MTN) and 0503849799 (Vodafone) for further enquiries.

In addition there will be a limited number of spaces to be filled in Grade 8 for the 2015/16 academic year. Interested parents should write formally to the Admissions Officer of Tema International School.

Revision / Mock Examinations for Grades 10 and 12

From the 3rd of March to 13th March 2015 and 20th March, 2015, our grade 12 and 10 students respectively will be writing their mock exams in preparation for their finals in Revision for their mock exams is from $23^{rd} - 27^{th}$ February, 2015. A copy of their timetable is attached to this letter for your attention. We hope you will join us all in praying for them as they sit for these exams and encourage them to achieve and give off their best. We have confidence in our students and wish them all the best in their forthcoming exams.

As is the norm, no exeats will be approved for candidates during this period. Meanwhile, there will be a weekend at home for all grades before mock exams begin. We hope you will spend time with them during these periods to encourage them.

SAT/ACT

The only acceptable identification document for all students taking any of the aptitude tests: SAT and ACT is their valid (unexpired) passport; as directed by College Board and ACT respectively. All other forms of ID or photocopies are NOT ACCEPTABLE. Students would be denied entry into the examination room if they fail to produce this document thirty minutes prior to the start of the To forestall exams. inconveniences may we advise that passports are handed over to the Guidance Counselor at least two days before the examinations.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- 1. The IB1 CAS trip will end on Sunday 1st February, 2015.
- 2. Our SRC & Prefects campaigning and Selection process will begin from

- Monday, 2nd February, 2015 and end on Monday, 9th March, 2015. We would be grateful if parents of IB 1 students could encourage their wards to campaign to be voted into positions of leadership.
- 3. TIS Red Cross Group made up of IB1 students will have their first aid training starting from Tuesday 17th February and end on Friday 20th February, 2015 in the school from 4:00pm to 5:15pm each day. A member from the Red Cross Society will engage them in a 4-day intensive workshop.
- 4. **Hostel Clean-up & Inspection** will be held on Saturday 7th February, 2015 at 9:00am.
- 5. A TIS version of the **Ghana**Chocolate Day is scheduled to take place at the school on Saturday, 7th February, 2015 at 7.00pm. This is an opportunity for students and teachers to share gifts of chocolate with one another to commemorate the day.
- 6. Weekend at home for <u>all</u> Grades (7-12) is from Thursday 12th February to Sunday 15th February, 2015. Students will leave at 1:00pm on Thursday and return by 5:00pm on Sunday.

- 7. **Mid-semester assessments** begin on 23rd February, 2015.
- 6. Owing to some extenuating circumstances, this year's High School Creative Writing Conference has been postponed to the first semester in the 2015/16 academic year. A specific date will be communicated to you later.

BIRTHDAYS

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

The March newsletter will be emailed to parents by <u>27th February</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



Science Trip 2015



What is happening?

A 10 day adventure camping trip to Namibia

When?

Sun 24th May 2015 - Wed 3rd June 2015

Why Namibia?

Namibia has the lowest rainfall in sub-Saharan Africa and is home to varied and contrasting geographical regions. The Kalahari Desert being one of its most well-known, it hosts over 5,000 species of plant, nearly half of them endemic. It has extensive wildlife, a rich coast with many marine resources and is one of the few countries in the world to specifically address conservation and protection of natural resources in its constitution.

The Namib Desert is largely unpopulated which makes it one of the best places in the world to stargaze. Namibia appears to be an excellent location for learning, and the trip should enrich the lives of the students and develop the spirit of enquiry helping them to be lifelong learners.

What are the activities?

An intercultural exchange trip to *Windhoek International school*, allowing the students to collaborate with peers studying the same courses and the opportunity to experience life in a different international school.

Game drives around *Etosha National Park* which is one of Southern Africa's finest and most important Game Reserves. Students are likely to observe the black rhino, elephants, lions and numerous species of antelope.

A visit to *Gobabeb desert resource center*, where students will learn survival in harsh conditions, looking at how the center produces its own energy, recycles and reuses its water.

Star gazing at Gocheganas where students will use the latest astronomical telescope. They will not believe their eyes when without a telescope there appears to be nothing there, yet, when looking through a telescope amazing sights can be seen.

What are the benefits?

- 1. Your ward will be given the opportunity to enrich the science learnt in class to different situations, allowing them to inquire, ask questions and apply learnt knowledge.
- 2. Your ward will have an opportunity to meet international peers and comport themselves in a manner that will prepare them for meeting international academics at university and beyond.
- 3. Your ward will engage with varying areas in science which interest them, and will interact with professionals in the specific fields

Who is it for?

Grade 9 and 11

What will cost?

To ensure a quality trip *3700 USD*, which includes all activities, flights, visa's accommodation and food.

What to do next?

Complete the consent form given to your ward and submit to the school's administrator as soon as possible, together with the non-refundable commitment fee.

There are a limited number of spaces available.







February 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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						IB1 CAS trip ends
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Prefect Elections begin	SMT meeting				Hostel Clean up and Inspection/Ghana Chocolate day	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Weekend at Home begins (7-12) at 1.00pm			Weekend at Home ends (7-12)
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Redcross Workshop	Redcross Workshop	Redcross Workshop	Mock questions to HOD's/ Redcross Workshop		
23	24	25	26	27	28	
Mid Sem Assessments begin (Eng, IT, CS, ITGS) Revision for Mocks begin	Mock questions from HODs to DOS			Revision for Mocks end		