

TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

MONTHLY EMAIL
NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2014



Happy 11th Anniversary

2003 - 2014 Knowledge is the key

DEAR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS,

all Many thanks who participated in the 9km Health Walk held on Saturday 13th September, 2014. We are very grateful to you for honoring our invitation and spending time with us and your wards. We appreciate and vour presence vour participation immensely. Thank you.

EBOLA SCREENING

All students who travel to the Ebola endemic areas during the mid-semester break will be required to report to school with a Certificate of Fitness (Ebolaspecific) and will undergo twentyone day surveillance on their return as was done previously.

PLAGIARISM

Tema International School frowns on **plagiarism** and will not tolerate it under any circumstance.

Plagiarism is the situation in which a candidate uses the ideas or work of another person without acknowledging the source(s) and in effect presenting the work as his/her own original work or idea. There will be no excuse for oversight or mistake on the part of the candidate or any other person. The sanctions are as follows:

- i. Extended Essay Candidate will be made to resubmit the work with full citation and reference within 48 hours after plagiarism was detected. Public announcement on all school notice boards and loss of all exeats for the semester. Candidate to sign a bond of good behavior in the presence of the parents.
- ii. Written assignment, Theory of Knowledge, IB class assignments, IGCSE coursework and Pre-IGCSE Projects: As Extended Essays but 24 hours to rewrite assignment for submission and a loss of 30% of maximum marks for the assignment.

SCHOOL PLAY

School play is here again and this time, it's an African play – **This is Our Chance** by James Ene Henshaw.

Synopsis: Princess Kudaro and Prince Ndamu have been sent by their fathers, Chief Damba of Koloro and Chief Mboli of Udura, to be educated in a big city. Despite the fact that their communities have been longstanding rivals and venomously hate each other, they fall in love and enjoy the care-free anonymity of city life. This is Our Chance is a hilarious comedy set in the nineteenth century which emphasizes the need for an intercultural intertribal and cohesion among Africans.

It is scheduled for **Saturday 8th November, 2014** at the **Multi- Purpose Hall** of the school at **7pm.**

Information about tickets sales will be sent to you in due course. We look forward to sharing in the experience in watching our students display their talents.

Requests for Exeats

May I please remind you to keep all requests for hospital, dental and optician appointments to a minimum in the course of the semester. These exeats cause significant disruptions in our students learning, especially when they are out during the school day. As a result they often miss lessons, tests and/or other assessments as well as school activities. Please

bear with us when we are unable to approve your written requests, especially those received later than five working days to the appointment date; or those made without an appointment card/letter from an appropriate medical practitioner.

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICE

As is the practice of the school, church service is organized every Sunday morning and all students are required to attend since it is a school function. However, we recognize that there are a few non-Christians who may not want to participate in the service. Hence, in the spirit of religious tolerance, we have decided to provision for such students to assemble in a classroom and use the time for extra work under the supervision of a member of staff. This arrangement will apply to students who are known to be non-Christians per our records and those whose parents have written to the school to be exempted for various reasons only.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email <u>fsackey@tis.edu.gh</u> or **0303-305134/308737** for further clarification.

MID-SEMESTER

This is a long break and is compulsory and all students will be required to leave school for the break. Students will be given takehome assignments for the break. Parents should encourage their

wards to complete them before they return to school.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Mid-semester assessments will end on Friday, 10th October, 2014 for all students. The period has had to be extended due to the postponement of reopening.
- TIS will be celebrating her 11th Founders' Day on 3rd October,
 2014. Some of the highlights of the day include but not limited to the following:
 - Spoken word
 - Inter-grade performances
 - Performance by School Choir
 - Games such as football, volleyball, basketball etc. will be organized in honor of our Founders.
- 3. Visiting Sunday for all grades (7-12) is on **5th October**, **2014** from 1:00pm to 5:00pm.
- 4. The maiden track and field competition comes off on Friday 10th and Saturday 11th October 2014 at the Sports Complex.
- 5. The Parent Information Day will be held on Saturday 18th October, 2014 at 8:00am at the M.P.H. This day serves as an opportunity for parents to meet formally with the Principal and Faculty to discuss the performance and wellbeing of your wards. Students will leave for the mid-semester break after the meeting. They are to report

- back to school on **Saturday** 25th October, 2014 by 5pm.
- 6. This year's **Model United** Nations (MUN) Conference is scheduled to take place in the school from 20^{th} to 22^{nd} October, 2014. MUN is a simulation of the United Nations conference that aims to educate participants about events, topics in current relations, international diplomacy and the United **Nations** agenda. It also provides an opportunity for students to debate on contemporary issues to unearth their talents.
- 7. Classes will resume for all grades on **Monday 27**th **October, 2014**.
- 8. All IB2 students are to complete their CAS portfolio (Managebac) and present their final essays on Friday 31st October, 2014.

Warm Regards Ag. Principal



October 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1	2	3	4	5
			Mid semester assessments end	Founders Day	Eid UI Aud *** TBC	*Visiting Sunday 1:00pm - 5:00pm
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	SMT meeting		Submission of Mid Sem Dept report by HODs to DOS	TIS Track and field Day 1	TIS Track and field Day 2/ Francis & Cecelia Hostel Day	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Form tutors complete midsem reprorts		HOD meeting			Parent Information day; Mid Sem break begins, students depart	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
TIS MUN conference begins	MUN Conference	MUN conference ends			Mid Sem break ends, students return to school by 5pm	
27	28	29	30	31		
Classes resume				IB2 completion of CAS portfolio (Managebac) - Final essay		