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At TIS, we believe excellence is achieved by continuously improving your personal best in all endeavours through consistent effort, positive attitude, regular reflection, balance, persistence, a growth mindset and no excuses.

Thought for the week

The world our present school children will move into will be very different to that of their parents. Initiative, adaptability, problem-solving and confidence will be more important than those extra academic marks.

- Sue Whereat

Calendar

Calenda	ar
April	
6	G10 Goal Setting Workshop
7	Exam Candidates' Service (11.00am); Visiting Sunday (1.00-4.30pm)
10-12	IGCSE French/Spanish oral exams
13	ACT; Havana Night; U14 Football Gala (Accra)
14	First audition for the 2019 Annual Performance
5-16	IGCSE Art & Design Final Examination
18-22	Easter Break
23	IGCSE ICT Practical Exam 1; G11 EE Café
24	G11 EE Café
25	IGCSE ICT Practical Exam 2
30	Special Assembly [2.45pm with two special guest speakers from University of
Leicester.	
May	
2	DP and IGCSF exams commence at TIS

Making Us Proud

- Baaba, Amma and Davina for reaching out to raise funds for urgent Millicent's heart surgery.
- Alumni from the Class of 2007 for setting the bar for other Alumni year groups to match or beat their donation of GHC5000 towards the appeal for Millicent.

Exam Candidates' Service/Visiting Sunday

There will be an exam candidates' service on Sunday, 7 April, commencing at 11.00am. It will conclude by 1.00pm.

















To coincide with the exam candidates' service, there will be Visiting Sunday from 1.00-5.00pm on the same day. Please note that there will be no entry after 4.00pm.

Exam Techniques: The Critical and Overlooked Success Factor

Most exam candidates appreciated the clarity and direction that the recent mock exams provided. I have discussed four critical factors with students this week: knowledge and understanding; exam techniques; effort; and exam anxiety.

Students need to reflect on feedback and seek clarity, if required, to address specific exam techniques that prevented best results in the mocks.

- Was critical analysis an issue?
- Was poor time management in responding to some questions a problem?
- Was clear planning to answer any task something that requires practice?
- Were writing and holding a pen for a length of time something to overcome within six weeks?
- Was time allowed at the start of the exams to read over the paper, instead of commencing immediately?
- Was interpreting questions an issue due to mixing up key terms?

These aspects are just as important as study plans. If you misinterpret questions, your knowledge and understanding will not assist you. Not finishing a paper in time results in lost marks.

I expect teachers will be working closely with students to reinforce these important techniques.

TIS Re-registration

In order to ensure the accuracy of our student numbers for 2019/2020, parents should have received an last week today to complete the re-registration of their child/children by 30 April. To confirm enrolment for next year, parents will be required to complete basic contact data to ensure current data on MB is accurate. Please use the specific link provided in the email.

You will enter this data on OpenApply (OA) which is MB's younger sibling. It is user-friendly, however, if you have any issues, please contact Rita, or myself.

Current Grade 10 students: I expect all G10 students to continue into the IB Diploma Program in Grade 11. What about the results from the IGCSE? They are an indicator for best choice of subjects and the appropriate level – Standard or Higher. However, both programs (IG and DP) are complete opposites, so students who may not have enjoyed IG will often thrive in DP. Nothing beats the DP experience and all G10 students will have the opportunity to commence the full Diploma Programme from the start of G11. I am happy to

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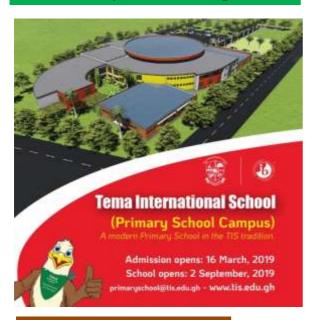




discuss options and choices with any parent who may have any questions.

Your cooperation and timeliness will always be appreciated.

TIS (Primary School Campus)



Our application for Candidacy as a PYP (Primary Years Programme) school was lodged with IB on 31/3/19.

Admissions opened on 16 March. Please visit: https://tis.openapply.com

The first stage of the Primary School will open in September for Preschool classes (Kinder 1,2 and 3) as well as Grades 1-3.

Stage 2 will open in September 2020 when Grades 4-6 will be opened.

For more information email: primaryschool@tis.edu.gh

Easter Weekend Break

Students and staff will commence the Easter long weekend from 4.30pm on Wednesday, 17 April, and return by 5.00pm on Monday, 22 April.

Nana Adwoa Attafuah

Nana has left TIS to seek new opportunities. We wish her well and thank her for her contribution to TIS.

Reminders

- *Please read* the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter, and take action as required.
- All sections of the *online exeat form* must be completed for it to be submitted. Otherwise, you will see an error message. The time component is a 12-hour clock.
- Have you joined *School Stream* yet? It's the most convenient way to stay in touch with TIS
- *Admissions for 2019/2020* are open. Detailed information about admission to TIS and the process can be found at: https://tis.openapply.com For assistance, please contact Rita: rfianko@tis.edu.gh
- Students are required to have their *belongings appropriately labelled* for identification purposes.



















- Any student medication must be sent to the Infirmary, along with medication instructions.
- A separate exeat has been created for *urgent medical reasons*. Please complete the online version at:
 - https://www.tis.edu.gh/medical-exeat-form/
- Planned medical appointments on weekends only require the standard exeat which can be found at:
 - https://www.tis.edu.gh/exeat-form/
- Parents are requested to update their contact details (email and mobile) they change. PLEASE.
- Parents who are seeking *transcripts and/or recommendations* must request these by emailing <u>principal@tis.edu.gh</u> Requests were required by 28/2/19. Any future requests must be made at least 14 days ahead of any deadline and include the email address and contact details of relevant admission officers. These documents will only be sent directly to schools or colleges and not agents.
- ManageBac (MB): If you need assistance, please email Ken at: principal@tis.edu.gh

I appreciate your support.

Ken

Havana Night

An annual students' entertainment activity is the annual ball, "Havana Night" on 13 April. The following information is provided for parents and students so they are aware of costs, if students wish to participate.

Dress Code:

- Semi-Formal
- All white clothing
- White jeans are the only colour of jeans allowed for girls

VIP Section:

- GHC 60 will be paid to acquire VIP placement
- Only six slots available
- Includes: One bottle of non-alcoholic champagne, customised and casual lounge setting, free full meal including drinks.

Food:

















- Finger foods will be provided for free
- Full meals will be sold at GHC 25
- Vendors will be available for those who are not interested in meals.

Entry:

There is free entry to the event for all students.













Tema International School



ADMISSIONS OPEN FOR 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

A family school, a unique experience

No fixed exam date, flexible online admission testing is available and ongoing

ENTRY POINTS: Grade 7 (MYP 2) | Grade 8 (MYP 3) | Grade 9 (MYP 4) | Grade 10 (MYP 5) | Grade 11 (IB Diploma Programme)

Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11
(MYP 2)	(MYP 3)	(MYP 4)	(MYP 5)	(IB Diploma Programme)
Students should a) Have completed Primary 6 b) Be aged 11+(at the time of admission) c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview	Students should: a) Have completed JHS 1 or in JHS 2 b) Se aged 13+(at the time of admission) c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview	Students should: a) Have completed Year 8 or Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) b) Be aged 14+(at the time of admission) c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview	Students should a) Have completed Year 9. (b) Be aged 15+(at the time of admission). c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.	Students should; a) Have successfully completed MYP 5, the IGCSE (Or its equiva- lent) or awaiting the results of the IGCSE b) Be aged 16+(at the time of admission). c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview for non IGCSE & GCSE students (i.e. WASSCE, GCR, AQA).



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These traits are lifelong assets dear students, make a deliberate effort – Do the right things. This is priceless!



Hurray....Congratulations DP2s on the extra offers received! Avoid Senioritis & do not get complacent, your final IB results are important to secure your spot at your top university!

- ✓ Lancaster University, Ghana
- ✓ University of Waterloo, Canada
- ✓ Carleton University, Canada
- ✓ Trent University, Canada
- ✓ Rollins College, USA
- ✓ SCAD, USA
- ✓ University of Miami, USA
- ✓ Carnegie Mellon University, USA
- ✓ Oberlin College, USA
- ✓ Lehigh University, USA
- ✓ Drexel University, USA
- ✓ Luther College, USA

- ✓ Augustana College, USA
- ✓ Hope College, USA
- ✓ University of Bath, UK
- ✓ University of Kent, UK
- ✓ American University of Paris, France

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DP2s, to accomplish and achieve your future goals, **exams** are part of the game! Just sit up and finish well.

- o Study, study, and study
- Seek help from teachers and peers
- Listen attentively in class
- Manage stress, see the counselor if need be

Unfortunately, there are no shortcuts to success. We already see you at the top. Commit yourself to study; **the power to excel lies within you!**

Dear DP1 Parents, please remember to **sign up for the one-on-one meeting** with your son's / daughter's college counselor. We look forward to seeing you to discuss the **university application process**. Thank you.

Accepted Students' Visit with University of Cincinnati (USA) Admissions Officer @ TIS



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In a warm reception, the Admissions Manager Madam Charlene Agyeman on Wednesday 20 March 2019 met with accepted students and a parent (Mr. Quartey) and shared some tidbits on campus life, scholarships and addressed students specific issues as well. The University of Cincinnati is a public research university in Cincinnati Ohio, inspires success by providing a balance of academic excellence, real-world experience, and collaborative research. Founded in 1819 as Cincinnati College, it is the oldest institution of higher education in Cincinnati and has an annual enrollment of over 44,000 students, making it the second largest university in Ohio. https://www.uc.edu

College Bound Scholarship

UC Financial Aid & Scholarships

International students are not eligible for federal aid programs like FAFSA. However, there are a variety of scholarships that you may be eligible for as an international student.

For more information, visit the UC's Financial Aid website.

UC Global Scholarship

The <u>UC Global Scholarship</u> awards between \$1,000 and \$12,000 per year to qualifying students. Find out about requirements, deadlines, and eligibility using the links provided.

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University Graduate Scholarships

<u>University Graduate Scholarships</u> are available in many graduate programs including Business, Education, Engineering and Natural Sciences. The scholarships may even include a living stipend. However, scholarship levels vary by academic program. Visit: https://www.uc.edu/international/services/future/financial_aid.html



University of Cincinnati Accepted Student's Reflection: Frances Quartey Baiden (DP2)

"The session with Ms. Charlene Agyemang from the University of Cincinnati was an insightful one. I was able to learn more about the university and the benefits of being an honorary Bearcat (that's what the students are called). The school has several majors to choose from and ensures that every student is excelling in class with several measures such as assigned supervisors. It is also highly equipped in terms of resources and security. It is located in the heart of Cincinnati and has diversity in students and faculty. You can learn from people of various backgrounds and meet people sharing the same ethnic

background as you making you feel right at home. I encourage students to apply there. Doors will continue to open for you".





















Pictured above, is Mr. Danish O'Habib, International Recruitment Coordinator (Recruitment & Admissions) who visited and met with accepted students who applied to Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada. TIS parent- Mrs. Fajemirokun also joined in the meeting.

Wilfrid Laurier University (commonly referred to as WLU or simply Laurier) is a public university in Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. Laurier has a second campus in Brantford and offices in Kitchener, Toronto, and Chongqing, China. It is named in honour of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the seventh Prime Minister Canada. The university offers undergraduate and graduate programs in a variety of fields, with nearly 15,000 fulltime undergraduate students, over 900 full-time grad students, and nearly 3,000 part-time students as of fall 2016. Laurier's varsity teams, known as the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks, compete in the West Conference of the Ontario University Athletics, affiliated to the U Sports. https://www.wlu.ca/

















Wilfrid Laurier University's Accepted Student's Reflection: Asantewaa Ohene Kyei (DP2)



"The talk with Mr. Danish O'Habib was about all the amazing opportunities Wilfrid Laurier has to offer. Wilfrid Laurier offers so many opportunities for employment both during university and after university which I found very interesting because it gives students a chance to earn money and valuable work experience whilst in school. Also, we discussed some of the scholarships we can apply for when we go to Wilfrid Laurier which will help to take some of the financial burden off our parents. This meeting with the

Admissions officer helped me to look beyond the university experience and consider life after university because Wilfrid Laurier offers lifelong employment consultation. At the end of this meeting, I was convinced that Wilfrid Laurier is definitely a place for me."



<u>Entrance scholarships</u> are based on your marks. If you receive an offer of admission, you'll be notified of your projected entrance scholarship. Your scholarship will be finalized once they receive your final grades. The best part? No application is required! If you're entering a double-degree program, they'll assess your entrance scholarship using the program with the higher dollar value.

Awards from their <u>entrance scholarship grid</u> are available to students who are entering Year 1 of an undergraduate program. Recipients must be registered full time.

Other Scholarships

Wilfrid Laurier offers a number of competitive scholarships that students can apply for when they have confirmed their offer of admission to Laurier. You can also apply for competitive scholarships in your upper years. To learn more about financial support for international students, review their fees and financial support.

For more information visit: https://www.wlu.ca/admissions-toolkits/international/step-2-check-your-application-status/entrance-scholarships.html

















SPECIAL UNIVERSITY VISITS TO TWO U.S. UNIVERSITIES- COUNSELOR EVENT ABROAD





COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY- https://www.coastal.edu/

Coastal Carolina University is a beautiful liberal arts public university located along the coast of South Carolina, U.S.A.- about 15-20 minutes' drive away from the beach. The campus is gorgeous! Very serene with state-of-the-art facilities, a very relaxing atmosphere with a lot of greenery and a pond which contains turtles and fish. It's the perfect environment for teaching and learning. From the cozy dorm rooms to the gorgeous small class rooms which promote close interaction and collaboration to the breath-taking Sports Complex, Coastal Carolina University is certainly worth considering for quality undergraduate and postgraduate studies. Aside from this, the support available for international students is amazing. From the day they arrive, admission officers pick them up right from the airport to campus and organize a week-long orientation to ensure that they settle comfortably into their new environment. There is a whole office dedicated to international student work study, internship and other legal requirements. There is a wealth of resources and support for all students and most importantly a welcoming environment. Additionally;

- ✓ It is a medium sized campus of about 10,000 students situated in a suburban setting
- ✓ Top programmes: Marine Science, Business, Finance, Sciences, Hospitality, Psychology, Public Health and many others. Students can also take up a minor in African Diaspora Studies.

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- ✓ A big PGA Golf Management degree offered here for 4.5 years. 100% employability afterwards. Students studying Golf Management, learn customer relations, learn about teaching golf, how to manage a golf course, and can be professional members even when they return to their home countries. Applicants must pass a 'playability test.'
- ✓ Business programme is accredited by AACSB- (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business), with a 90% job placement rate, and they teach skills that employers demand such as leadership, communication skills among others.
- ✓ Students can pitch their business ideas at the Connoway Innovation Centre, and attract investors
- ✓ Mission of Public Health Programme at CCU is to prepare students to protect and improve the health of individuals and communities through a challenging academic programme with experiential learning opportunities.
- ✓ Interdisciplinary programmes available where students are allowed to create and design their unique major and minor courses.
- ✓ Learning is experiential (mainly projects and hands-on activities).
- ✓ Small class sizes: 16:1 student to faculty ratio.
- ✓ Study abroad opportunities are available.
- ✓ Internships are highly recommended as 60% of students who do internships tend to secure a job much easier.
- ✓ Total cost of attendance (2018-2019) \$41,948- includes a relatively low tuition amount. Coastal Carolina University offers a percentage-based merit awards system which ensures that award amounts will increase to match any increase in tuition!
- ✓ Students are automatically considered for University merit-based awards when they apply for admission based on academic merit and test scores. Scholarships range from 15% to 60% off Tuition fee.
- ✓ There is the President's Scholarship of up to \$15,990 per year among others. Criteria for this scholarship (1450 New SAT or 32 ACT; and a U.S. equivalent of an A average High School GPA). For more details, please visit:

https://www.coastal.edu/admissions/meritawardsintl/

✓ Scholarships are available for both domestic and international students.

Find below, pictures of the campus, taken by a College Counselor, at the Coastal Carolina University event last month (includes the gymnasium, dorm room setting among others).

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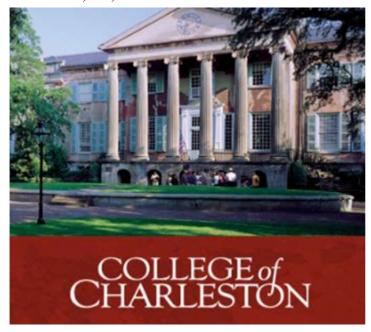


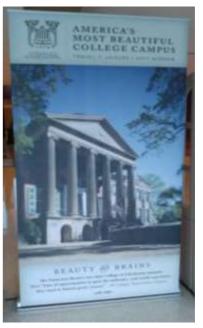






The second university visited during the Counselor event was the College of Charleston, SC, USA.





COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, U.S.A. - http://www.cofc.edu/

A beautiful university "city campus" spread out through the city of Charleston, South Carolina and right along the coast, literally a 5 to 10-minute walk away from the ocean. The city of Charleston is the college campus. College of Charleston regards itself as a public school which offers private school quality of education. Unique to this university is the Grice Marine Laboratory, where College of Charleston students can learn about different species of marine animals and observe all kinds of different fish that swim in the ocean bordering the school. The lab supports teaching and research in evolutionary biology, marine biogeography, cellular and molecular biology, benthic ecology, immunology, microbial ecology, phytoplankton ecology, environmental physiology, fish systematics among many others. There are also live animals brought in from the ocean throughout the year, used for research and marine biology studies. Students get to do molecular and cellular research work both at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

Extra information:

- ✓ Number 1 public school for study abroad, right from freshman year.
- ✓ Excellent internship opportunities with small startups and big businesses. Some companies that students intern with include Volvo, Boeing, Google, Mercedes Benz and several others.
- ✓ NCAA Division 1 School for sports, with 19 different varsity teams, popular ones, basketball, baseball and track and field. Sports scholarships available for talented students who have excelled at the national level and can show video evidence of skill, but must get in touch with the coach.
- Regarding Scholarships, College of Charleston cannot offer international students need-based financial aid. However, they do review every international application for tuition award scholarships. These scholarships are awarded to international students who have exceptional academic records and ranges from \$6,000 to about \$10,000 per year. An applicant's test scores (SAT- 1130-1290 /ACT- 24-29), recommendations, and contribution to their community are

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considered during selection for scholarship. For more information on scholarships, visit: http://admissions.cofc.edu/applyingtothecollege/international-students/tuition.php

- ✓ Fees, approximately \$50,000 (tuition plus room and board).
- ✓ Demonstrated interest when applying is very important to them. They will check when students opened emails sent to them from College of Charleston and pay attention to responses to their mails and Skype meetings or face-to-face engagement with prospective students.
- ✓ Optional personal statement can be submitted as part of application.
- ✓ Student to faculty ratio: 15:1
- ✓ Over 120 majors and minors, with the popular ones' being biomedical science, business (AACSB accredited), marine biology, physics, science and math programmes, theatre, studio art, photography, arts management, art history, historic preservation and community planning and several others.
- ✓ Have an excellent pre-med programme, where students get clinical exposure (100 hours of interaction with patients, do research, enhance writing and speaking skills as future doctor. Acceptance rate of College of Charleston graduates into medical school is very high (58%, 2 years ago), especially at Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC).
- ✓ Have an international centre where great support and orientation is offered to international students. Currently have about 120 international students and intend to increase population of internationals.
- ✓ Excellent academic and psychological support unit with resources that inspire positivity and help students surmount academic hurdles- math tutorship, writing support room among other support systems available. Anxiety-soothing environment.

More pictures below from the visit to the College of Charleston campus (the picture of the Octopus was taken in the Grice Marine Laboratory):





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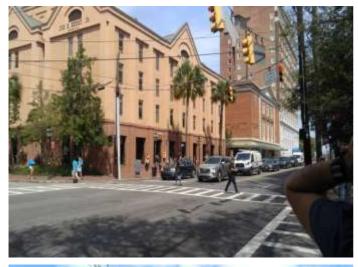


















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Campus Tours

Month	University/Institution	Date	Time	Venue
March	York Univ. DP1 session	Tues.,19 March 2019	1:30 pm	TIS Learning Centre
	Univ. Of Cincinnati, USA	Wed., 20 March 2019	2:30 pm	TIS Learning Centre
	Nelson Mandela University, South Africa	Frid., 22 March, or Sat. 23 March 2019	10-12noon / 3-7pm	Erata Hotel (22 March) Movenpick Ambassador Hotel (23 March)
April	University of Bradford	Frid., 5 April	1:30pm	TIS Learning Centre
	Boston Univ. U. of Chicago, USA	Wed., 10 April 2019	12noon	TIS Learning Centre (College Guides)
	University of British Columbia, Canada	Thurs., 11 April 2019	1:30pm	Einstein Exam Hall, TIS
	Macalester, Franklin & Marshall, and Smith College, USA	Tues., 30 April 2019	2:30pm	TIS Learning Centre
May	NYU Abu Dhabi, UAE	Thurs., 2 May 2019	1:30pm	TIS Learning Centre
	BlueCrest College DP1 student workshop, Accra	Thurs. 9 May 2019	1:30- 2:30pm	BlueCrest Premises, Accra
	The College of Wooster, USA	Friday, 17 May 2019	TBD	TIS Learning Centre

Please note: Parents are welcome to meet the university admissions team for further enquires

Test Date

With only limited test dates to take the test. Book your slot with the Counselors' on the top floor of the Learning Centre. DP1s, it is highly important for scholarships. Take advantage!

















SAT 2018-2019 TEST DATES

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
6 Oct. 2018	31 Aug. 2018
3 Nov. 2018*	14 Sept. 2018
1 Dec. 2018	12 Oct. 2018
9 March 2019**	18 Jan. 2019
4 May 2019	5 April 2019* Global deadline

SAT SUBJECT TESTS ONLY*, REGULAR SAT ONLY **

ACT IS NOW COMPUTER-BASED- NO GAMES!

ACT 2018/2019 DATES (COMPUTER-BASED TESTING ONLY-CBT)

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
8 Sept. 2018	25 Jul. 2018
27 Oct. 2018	7 Sept. 2018
8 Dec. 2018	12 Oct. 2018
9 Feb. 2019	29 Nov. 2018
13 April 2019	15 Feb. 2019

Valid unexpired passport only! No other IDs acceptable and no photocopies please







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Want To Take These Tests - Here's Why:



Free Money For Grabs! (Scholarships)

- ✓ Boosts reflection of acadmic potential- complements IB Scores.
- ✓ Great start for freshmen first entry-level jobs.
- ✓ Strong Demonstration of College Readiness.
- ✓ Increase chances for Merit Award.
- ✓ Platform for Admissions Team to know you better!
- ✓ Builds students up for aptitude on the job test.
- ✓ Competitive advantage for university programme selection.

Remember

DP1s –SAT May exam registration is ongoing please register online: www.collegeboard.org Today, 5 April 2019 is the global deadline!

ACT April late registration available at a late fee. Sign up now! www.actstudent.org
It is important to take the test because it:

- Enables students to have access to great scholarship packages depending on student's performance.
- Shows student readiness to take up extra work for a successful college journey. Visit: https://mytutor.com/the-preact-what-it-is-what-it-is-what-it-means-and-how-you-should-and-shouldnt-use-it/



For more SAT/ACT test registration information

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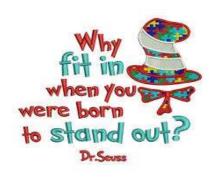








CAS-SA Corner



Welcome Back to School! **Project Junction**

Naa Anang-la, G9, is undertaking her Personal Project in special needs children which includes Autism, AHD, Dyslexia and Down syndrome. Her goal is to create

awareness about special children and discover how to reduce the stigmatization that comes with Special Children.

Tuesday, 2 April, was Autism Awareness Day; to commemorate this day, Naa has shared a few insights about Autism and wishes to invite readers to stay tuned and prepare to look at the world

through the eyes of a special child as she begins to gather experiences towards her Personal Project. Kindly read below some gathered facts about Autism.



Autism Facts

The term stems from the word Greek autos meaning "self", autism literally means "alone". Autism spectrum disorder affects all nationalities, all creeds, all religions, all races both and sexes. It doesn't differentiate or affect only one group or



another. In the late 1990s, the diagnostic title changed

to reflect a more politically correct social environment. Now the proper expression is "people with autism or autism spectrum disorder". Autism spectrum disorder is a developmental disability that generally appears before the age of 3. Hyperlexia, the ability to read above one's age or grade level in school, commonly accompanies autism spectrum disorder. Mutations on chromosome 16 have been tied to autism.

















The glitch is in a DNA region that contains "Morpheus" genes, or genes which historically have changed very rapidly as humans evolved. In other words, the same method that helped evolve human intelligence may contribute to Autism. While a child can be diagnosed with Autism at 18 months, the average age for diagnosis is 4 years old. Approximately 70 million people worldwide have Autism.

Did you know?

In many Africa communities, children with disabilities such as Autism are often mistaken as cursed children and many of them are either brutality mistreated or killed. According to an extract from an article by an Autism Research Centre in Ethiopia, most Africans are largely unaware of autism, despite its prevalence. To be fair, child



mortality and malnutrition are more urgent concerns for most people. In surveys conducted in Kenya, Nigeria, Tanzania and Ethiopia, healthcare workers and families frequently **attribute its features to a curse** (brought on by a taboo act such as cheating on a spouse) or to being possessed by an evil spirit.

Reference

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Why students should study sign language?



Learning sign language students the opportunity to study the deaf culture and foster inclusivity. Becky Cardinale says, "Students learn to navigate the world in a visual, gestural manner and discover syntax that is specifically chronological. They learn critical thinking skills by identifying specific concepts such as inclusion, discrimination, deaf gain

audism, which are not discussed in other languages."

Bilingualism enhances cognition and GSL is especially effective because it is possible to speak and sign simultaneously. This allows for greater neuroplasticity and allows individuals to have more neural pathways to access information in the brain.

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#Recycle Art



Is it Possible to Recycle Styrofoam? You wondered. TIS found out.

Styrofoam can take up to 500 years to break down. Since it cannot degrade naturally, it remains in the landfills for many years. Styrofoam must not be burned as it produces poisonous gases such as carbon monoxide on burning. It seemed to be everywhere degrading our beautiful environment. I was inspired to Reduce, Re-Use and Recycle

Styrofoam, hence creating of the IB learner profile with Styrofoam and Plaster of Paris (P.OP).

These sculpture piece have been mounted at TIS Multi-Purpose Hall (MPH).

Title: IB Learner Profile in 3D

Materials used: Styrofoam, Plaster of Paris,

Oil Paint, Tinted Glass

Artist name: Felix Owiredu Danso



CAS Projects – Millicent's Open Heart Surgery



Twelve year old *Millicent Ibrahim*, suffers from a hole in heart condition known as Tetralogy of Fallot. The total cost of her surgery, anesthesia, medication, etc. is GHC 46.000. Her single mother cannot by any means afford to pay for her life save surgery. She lives at Kotobabi, her mummy is unemployed and she stay with her grandparents. Millicent loves Jollof Rice and chicken, and pink is her favorite colour. Even though most times she is not well and can't attend classes, Millicent loves to go to school. She is thriving in class 6 at Little Rose School, being one of the best science students. She said she wants to be a Soldier when she grows up.

Even her monthly consultation and medication are a challenge for the family. Millicent needs our help. This is why we are humbly pleading with the TIS family to help us raise the money needed for her open heart surgery.

Together we can make a difference in her life.

The clock is ticking. *We are Millicent's hope.*

Baaba, Ayeyi, Davina (Grade 11) Community Service (CAS) project



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Millicent's Fundraiser – UPDATES

A huge thank you to the TIS community for the support in raising funds for Millicent's surgery. The amount of GHC 5.200 was presented by Albert Ossei on behalf of their class to the Initiators of this project, Ayeyi, Baaba & Davina, Grade 11 students. Albert shared words of encouragement to the team, "Keep doing good. Such initiatives go a long way in making a difference in someone's life. The Class of 2007 is moved by this cause." Thank

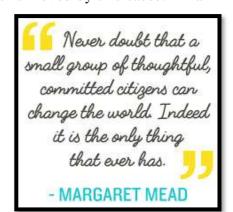
you Class of 2007, your alma mater appreciates your support.

Our aim is to raise: **GHC 46.000**, so far we raised **GHC 25,636.10**

To meet our target we need GHC 21,036.10

You can support in kind or cash. We are Millicent's HOPE.

Contact our Coordinator Mrs. King surama.king@tis.edu.gh or +233 244615255





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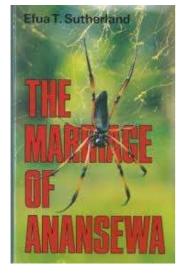








School Play Audition – Expectations of students and staff



I feel a lot of students would want to audition for the various roles in this year's school play because Beauty & the Beast was amazing. I think the HOC, Akua could play the role of Anansewa very well because she is confident and can also speak her mother-tongue (Twi) very well- *Nana Yaa, Grade 7*

Although I expect that a lot of people show up for Sunday's auditions, I feel it won't be as much as auditions for "The Slaves". I also think Andrew Opuni will make a better Ananse in the play because he is funny and dramatic- *Masere*, *Grade* 8

I feel a lot of people will audition for the role because we like trying new things. Since this play is based on a Ghanaian plot, I think everyone will want to try and I also think the HOC can play the Anansewa role best-*Nana Korantema*, *Grade 9*

Joseph, Grade 10, can act as Ananse for the school play. He's a jokester and plays tricks in

real life. He is very funny as well. Also I feel turn up for auditions because everyone wants to be in school plays- *Lydia*, *Grade* 10

I am expecting a lot of students to show up for the auditions so that the Directors can pick from the very best for the school play. - *Diana*, *TA*

I expect an outstanding performance that can beat Beauty & the Beast. For the auditions, I feel Daniel Quampah can play



the role of Ananse better because he is naturally funny and witty like the Ananse character and also Ayeyi Hammond may be able to play the role of Anansewa because she looks like she could pull it off- *Timone, Grade 12*

For this year's school play, I expect that we keep the TIS standard of unbeatable performances. I look forward to an outstanding performance. I feel Akua Okyere's decorous posture sets her out as a suitable candidate for the role of Anansewa, besides her command over the Ghanaian language (Twi) will be very useful in the play. Joseph Agyemang could also play the role of Ananse well because he enjoys pranks-*Grace Attram, CAS*

















John Ato in Grade 10 can play Ananse very well because he is very funny but I think they may not give him the role because he was the lead character in one of our plays a few years back. And Korantema G9 could also do well as Anansewa - *JB*, *Grade 10*

I'm personally unsure whether a lot of students will audition for the play this year. I can't tell if TIS students will appreciate anything than a Broadway production. But maybe I'll be surprised at the turn out. With regards to music, the team is ready to take interested students through the process of learning Ghanaian traditional music. All they need is to put in the effort - Yaw Ankama, Music



The Marriage of Anansewa – Directors' Vision

Auditions will be held at the sports complex on 14 April 2019 for 'THE MARRIAGE OF ANASEWAA. People everywhere are still talking about last year's play (Beauty and the Beast) and we hope that the fire is still burning in order to get more people to come to the auditions. We have absolutely no one in mind for any of the roles but hopefully at

the end of the audition we will have a role in mind for everyone. I know it's going to be amazing and I know we are going to see a lot of talented ones embrace their culture and show us a different side of them. We know it's going to be a blast. Don't miss it-*Portia McDave, Grade 11 (Director)*



Auditions for "The Marriage of Anansewa" will be held on 14 April at the Sports complex. As a student director, I expect the auditions to be nothing short of fascinating, with students ready to take risks and not being afraid to try new things. People who are ready to take up any challenge that is brought to them with no questions asked. As this is a Ghanaian play packed with a lot of Ghanaian culture, we strive to audition people who are creatively diverse; who can sing, dance, act and drum. Above all,

we look forward to surpassing the level at which Beauty and the Beast stands and make The Marriage of Anansewa the new hot topic of Ghana. You wouldn't want to miss out on this one!!!!- *Christal Perdison, Grade 11 (Director)*

















How would you feel if you parent's sell you off into marriage? How about if the would-be-husband is your Prince Charming? Is Akwasi right to claim Akosua as his wife, just because Akwasi showers gifts on Akosua, even though they are not married? In a world where materialism is prioritized over humanity, people will do anything and everything to live in affluence; even if it means sacrificing their beloved.



Through folkloric storytelling and humour, The Marriage of Anansewa mirrors some cankers that are eating into the socio-cultural fabric of society. Efua Sutherland challenges performers and the audience of this play to reflect over what matters most to society to ensure a positive socio-cultural progress and development.

I invite students and staff to participate in the audition of this play, on **Sunday 14 April 2019, 2pm at the TIS Sports Complex.**

Play auditions at Tema International School always provide enabling platforms that unearth talents. Through a variety of fun packed activities, they pitch their strengths against one another to justify their inclusion into the cast and crew list.

This year's audition promises much more fun and we look forward to more discoveries - *Ebenezer*, *Theatre* (*Director*)





















TIS Adaptation of Beauty and the Beast



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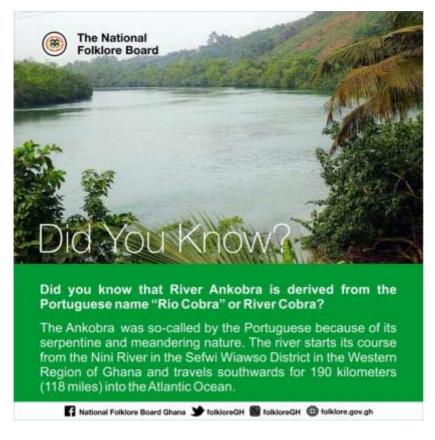










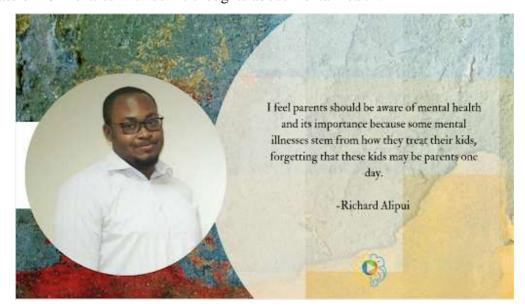


Did you Know series

An initiative by the Ghana Folklore Board Ghana to promote the folklore of Ghana on behalf of the president. This weeks, "Did You Know?" is about Kwaku Ananse. Enjoy!

Mindscape Movement

Mental health awareness still continues. This week on Mindscape Movement, Richard Alipui Class of 2014 shares with us his thoughts about mental health.



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