

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## At TIS,

we believe that personal success is best judged by one's proficiency in demonstrating on a daily basis the ten IB Learner Profile attributes: thinker, inquirer, reflective, caring, open-minded, communicator, knowledgeable, risk-taker, balanced and principled.

## Calendar

### June

15 French/Spanish trip departs Accra

### August

21 Newbies commence

24 Continuing students return for 2019/2020

26 Fast & Furious v.16 commences

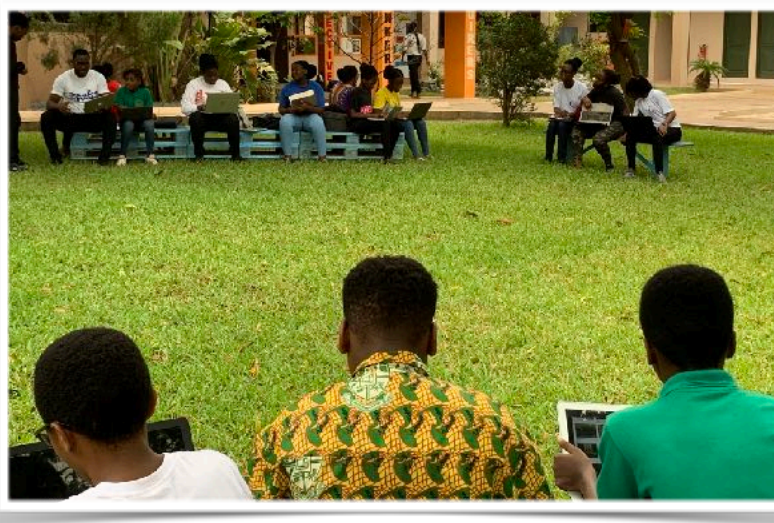
## Making Us Proud

- Our students, our parents, alumni, staff and friends of TIS for your support, participation and involvement in 2018/2019.

## Thought for the Week

The smallest deed is better than the greatest intention.

John Burroughs



## Fast and Furious: 15th Edition

What a perfect way to finish of the 2018/2019 academic year with a memorable Achievers' Day and Graduation Ceremony!

The occasion was special, the audience reflected our diversity and their pride in TIS, the speakers - guest, alumni and parent - were awesome in their thoughts and wisdom, when we recognised our achievers for 2018/2019 across our four pillars: academics, sport, culture and service, as well as farewelling our Grade 12 Inquirers.

Our Achievers' Day and Graduation Ceremony highlighted one of our two tipping points at TIS: the opportunities and experiences available to every TIS student. It's a key point of difference and TIS takes pride in what we offer to students, and universities appreciate the quality of our TIS students.

I take this opportunity to thank our parents for their continuing support. I thank and congratulate our students for their efforts and achievements throughout 2018/2019. I appreciate what our staff contributes to make TIS, Africa's best-kept secret.

Enjoy the summer break and we look forward to our students' safe return on 21 August (Newbies) and 24 August (continuing students), ready for Fast and Furious 16.

Do the right thing,  
even when no one  
is watching.  
  
It's called integrity.

## Reminders

- Please read the weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter, and take action as required.
- Semester 2 reports will be published by Monday, 10 June. Parents will receive an email to inform you of their availability.
- Exeats: All exeat requests must be completed and submitted online. To access the online exeat form, please go to: <https://www.tis.edu.gh/exeat-form>
- Parents with outstanding accounts will not be able to access reports until their account is cleared.
- Student Medication: Any student medication must be sent to the Infirmary, along with medication instructions.

## Word of the Week

Word:  
forthright

Meaning:  
straight forward; direct;  
without hesitation.

Sentence:  
Dr Ken is forthright about  
balance being the fulcrum for all  
the IB Learner profile attributes.

## TIS (Primary School Campus)

Screenings and interviews for admission to Primary School in September will resume from 1 August.

Students applying for Grades 2 and 3 must attach school reports to their online application (on OpenApply).

If you have any issues in this regard, please contact Rita so that we can be of assistance.

Admissions are open. 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](mailto:primaryschool@tis.edu.gh)



## Highlights of 2018/2019

So, reflecting on our journey, here are my best highlights for this academic year.

1. There is a dead heat for the best highlight.
  - The adaptation of Beauty and the Beast was a once in a lifetime experience. If you witnessed this incredibly stunning performance, you know what I mean. If you missed it, then you will have at least one regret in life. However, copies of the performance are on sale and available. It is recommended viewing as you feel as though you are sitting in the National Theatre on 23 November, 2018. In four words: better than Broadway's best!
  - 10 days earlier TIS completed its MYP verification visit and our visitors were blown away by what they witnessed TIS had achieved in such a short time. Becoming the second authorized MYP school in Ghana added the perfect conclusion to our 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.
3. The TIS Durbar on 6 October, 2018, was a stunning event that was broadcast live from inside the transformed sports complex. The performances were incredible, the speeches inspiring and the atmosphere electric. If you missed the Durbar, then you now have another regret.
4. Three days earlier on 3 October, we recognized TIS Founders' Day by acknowledging international-mindedness. It was a special day for the Founding Family and TIS family members as we celebrated the diversity across TIS.





5. Another dead heat.
- The inaugural Education Forum was so successful that it will become an annual event and the perfect way to commence TIS Founders' Week.
  - Five days earlier, the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Assembly recognized our pioneers and we all enjoyed the walk down memory lane to 2003. We are thankful for our pioneers and the traditions they established.
7. Millicent's heart surgery project reached out and touched all. It brought TIS together with students, staff, parents and alumni supporting this critical project by raising over GHC50,000 in two months. Thank you and God bless you all for supporting Ayeyi, Baaba and Davina. Their parents were also incredible in this project.



8. A late entry that, had it been completed nine months ago, I am confident it would have earned Alistair Kirk the Lester B Pearson International Scholarship at the University of Toronto. His WASH project will be a game-changer for his selected community. The project was featured in yesterday's TIS June Newsletter. It is essential reading with important messages for future CAS initiatives.



9. The performances by our students at the Dukies' World Conference in Accra in October at Jubilee House and in November at the National Convention Centre both wooed and wowed all who witnessed both events and typically highlighted our Talented Inspiring Students and Staff.
10. A quadruple dead heat.
- The Creative Writing and Photography Workshop in its fifth year enabled budding authors and photographers to enhance and finetune their skills and talents, which are on display in this year's edition of Whispers that has been released today. A shout out to the Language and Literature Department for maintaining this important TIS initiative.
  - The implementation of online assessments in MYP this semester, as well as the first online end of semester exams at TIS for G9 was an historic moment. Most students appreciate the different format and it has forced teachers to view assessment from a different perspective. Importantly, it allowed our students to become familiar with online e-assessments in preparation for Grade 10 final assessments in 12 months' time.
  - Three service project teams entered the Global Social Leaders competition for the first time. Congratulations go to the Smile for All and the Edusani teams on reaching the semi-final stage in this competition that is still ongoing.
  - Finally, Expression 2019 was a stunning experience in a beautiful environment with the genius of Nana Anoff and Flight #7, the G8 Community Projects exhibition, the Science Fair and the artistic and performing talents of our students. A shout out to the Arts and Science Departments and the CASSA team for ensuring our Annual Expression Day remains one of the highlights of the year.











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# SERVICE



At TIS, we believe that Service, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, provides a hands-on experience to how we can make the world a better place through action and an understanding that success comes from helping others grow and becoming empowered.



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## Counsellors' Corner



***Congratulations on your graduation, IB Class of 2019, our Inquirers, and to all the prize winners from Grades 7-12. You did great and we applaud all of you on your achievements during last Saturday's Annual Achievers' Day and Graduation Ceremony!***

*Embrace all the golden opportunities that life brings with an open mind, an enthusiastic spirit and the willpower to excel beyond measure. Make life's journey worthwhile! We say a big thank you to God for bringing us to the end of another eventful, fruitful, beautiful and successful school year! It's been hectic, but certainly an awesome time of learning! We are excited to welcome our freshest TIS Alumni Class of 2019!!!*





This year's Achiever's Day and Graduation Ceremony was incredibly phenomenal. The guest speaker, Mrs. Wanjiru Waweru Waithaka (CEO of FunKidz Limited, Nairobi, Kenya), in her speech shared some profound words of wisdom with the school community and specifically to the students as they journey through life.

Some highlights from her presentation:

- **Reach beyond the skies.** The cliché that the sky is the limit rings a bell in the ears of most growing children. As students, don't settle for less. Reach beyond the stars! Explore, be inventive, creative and seek to create your own world of positive outcomes that will be beneficial to the community or nation at large. It's your time to make that difference. We must be proud of what we have as Africans and think of innovative ways of manufacturing and patronising our own products. Take charge!
- **You are the Future!** The future is you. You choose how to create, or reinvent the wheel. Don't be afraid to make your footsteps visible. Let the world see what you've got. Mistakes are part of the process pick up the pieces and move on! Go out there and make Africa proud. Write your own story and carve your own niche in any field of endeavour.
- **Make a difference!** Make that deliberate effort to be the sunshine butterfly in the lives of others around you. Don't be self-centered regardless of what life throws at you. In your high and low moments, make positive moments.

Some more snippets of the inspiring and thought-provoking words from the distinguished speakers.....

We hope our DP2s will treasure these words of wisdom. They include:

*"Step Up, Step Out and Step it Up....Fly back and give back!" ~Kwaku Sakyi-Addo*

*"What are you doing with the decisions you make right now and how will it affect your future?" ~ Mrs. Frempomaa Owusu*





### Exemplary Life Corner: A Letter to Timone Twum-Ampofo



**Winning the Ajavon Award for Student of the Year and the Personality of the Year, as highlighted in this year's TIS School Magazine- Astral, was no mean feat! We are so proud of you, Timone! Congratulations!!!**

Dearest Timone,

You're a shining example of a person with a true spirit of civility, making the world a better place for others. The warmth, bubbly smiles and that cheerful spirit you share connects and warms the heart of many others, especially during stressful days. Good morning, good afternoon, hello, each was the nectar that connected you to others. Yes, academics come first and are very relevant, but the binding glue of life is a person with good character, morals and, most importantly, seeking God first in all you do as a mirror reflection of your persona.

Congratulations once again! Wherever you go, be that positive light to cause that change as the next generation of ethical leaders needed to build this nation and make it strong. Step out to the doors of greatness. We salute you, Timone! Ayekoo!!!





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# ACADEMICS



At TIS, we believe that the academics, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, provide a theoretical lens for inquiry, critical thinking and conceptual understanding, as well as the opportunity to demonstrate our knowledge and understanding across many areas of learning.



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*“Make the right choices:*

*1) Put God first.*

*2) Choose the right career, one that will make you happy.*

*3) Do good and not evil because there is always a blessing in doing this. Help each other...” ~ Mr. Stephen Agyemang*

To all our dear recent graduates (DP2 Class of 2019), Dr Ken’s remarks, particularly the following portions of it perfectly capture our sentiments and well wishes:

*“...We all look forward to 3 things:*

*1)Your future success.*

*2)Your continuing involvement with the TIS Family as Alumni.*

*3) And your visits home to TIS whenever you are in town.*

*Thank you for all the special memories you leave us with. Continue to make us proud and don’t forget to thank your parents at the end of the day’s event for everything they’ve done to ensure that you have reached this milestone in life...”*

*~Dr. Ken Darvall.*

### **Alumni Thank You Note**

Alumni, thank you for coming in your numbers! We were so thrilled to have you as a great inspiration to your younger siblings. Thank you for gracing the occasion. A special thank you to Alumni speaker- alumna Frempomaa Owusu (Mrs.) '09 and her husband who was also a TIS pioneer alumnus '07. Following are some pictures of Frempomaa and husband, plus a few of the many TIS Alumni, present at this year’s Achievers’ Day and Graduation Ceremony.





**Some Lessons Learnt from Timone:**

- Develop a strong relationship with God. This helps you to become a better person as you grow each day!
- Simply be nice to all.
- Have a graceful and a content spirit.
- Choose to be different in a world that outwardly puts pressure on you to conform to the status quo.
- Choose good friends. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. (1 Corinthians, Chapter 15:33)
- Life is not a runway show! Designers do not matter, **develop character first!** It opens doors.
- In the Astral magazine, when asked what his secret to success is, Timone answered *“faith in God and perseverance!”*

**DP1s, don't forget: Complete these over the summer!**

1. Final proofreading and submission of essays – check.
2. Completion of final school selection with parents' approval – check.
3. CV's well written - check.
4. Hands-on training (Internship) – check.
5. Search for schools with great scholarship packages, discuss university list with parents-check.
6. Study for your IB DP subjects, work on IAs, EE and Theory of Knowledge – check.
7. Study for SAT & ACT, and return prepared to test in October (SAT) and September (ACT) – check.
8. Get much-needed rest- check.
9. Be helpful at home- check.
10. Log unto Naviance - there's plenty of SAT / ACT practice and information on a myriad of universities and scholarships – check.





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# CULTURE



At TIS, we believe that culture as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, develops and enhances the creative, artistic and performing skills and talents in each student.



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**SPECIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (Require Counselor Nominations) - Upcoming DP2s, if interested, start preparing. Nominations will be done early next semester and will be merit-based.**

SCHOLARSHIP	SCHOOL	SLOT	WHERE	ELIGIBILITY	REQUIREMENT	DEADLINES
<b>International Leader of Tomorrow (ILOT)</b>	University of British Columbia	3	Canada	Undergraduate international student. Excellent academic record. Demonstrated financial need.	Apply to undergraduate program. Nomination from counselor. Early application.	Postmarked by TBD Online - TBD
<b>Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship Program</b>	University of Toronto	1	Canada	International undergraduate. Exceptional academic achievement and creativity. Demonstrated strong leadership skills.	Nomination from your counselor. Apply to study at the University of Toronto.	Nomination: TBD. OUAC: TBD. Scholarship: TBD
<b>International Circle of Scholars</b>	York University	1	Canada	Highest academic average. Demonstrated leadership. <i>*By submitting application you will also be considered for other available international scholarships.</i>	Nomination by School. Meet admission and program specific requirements. Submit application and all required documents before deadline.	TBD
<b>Global Leader of Tomorrow. International Entrance Scholarship.</b>	York University	1	Canada	Highest academic average. Demonstrated leadership. To renew maintain 7.80 on a 9point York scale in each academic year at York. *letter of Recommendation.	Meet admission and program specific requirements. Submit application and all required documents before deadline.	TBD
<b>Full financial Package</b>	NYUAD	2	United Arab Emirates	Demonstrate high academic achievement. A commitment to the school and/or local community. Proven leadership skills. An ability to thrive in a rigorous, multicultural academic and personal environment.	Nomination from your counselor. Submit all documents (Transcripts, recommendations, writing assignments etc.) before the deadline.	ED I: TBD ED II: TBD Regular Decision: TBD



<b>Presidential Scholarship- full financial aid/ tuition package</b>	Villanova University	1	U.S.A.	Representing diverse intellectual, social, ethnic, and economic backgrounds, Presidential Scholars are transformational leaders both on and off campus who have demonstrated a love of learning and a commitment to enhancing both their local and broader civic communities.	Nomination by your Guidance Counselor	Nomination Due by TBD  Student's application also due by TBD. Regular Decision
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### SCHOLARSHIP, SCHOLARSHIP, SCHOLARSHIP - GRANTFAIRY


**GrantFairy**, is a scholarship app that allows Grades 11 and 12 students to receive notification on scholarship opportunities that match their interests and courses. Please read the information on it below and sign up. Download the app. We will also try to add you from our end as counsellors.


**GrantFairy | UK University Scholarships**  
[www.GrantFairy.com](http://www.GrantFairy.com)


**UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 The common misconception is that scholarships are only available for award-winners and Einstein-level geniuses. However, our research shows the average student is eligible to apply for £85,000 in scholarships.


**WHAT'S THE DEAL?**  
 Scholarships are available, but they are hard to find. GrantFairy matches students with scholarships tailored to their personal circumstances.


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 We have developed a unique, highly-effective scholarship system and it is FREE for sixth-form college students. Contact us today to set up your free college account.  
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 Students choose their course and GrantFairy matches them with the scholarship opportunities they are eligible to apply for. It's that simple.

**EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS**  
 STUDENT LOANS  
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**WHAT IS GRANTFAIRY?**  
 GrantFairy is a mobile app which matches students with scholarship opportunities to help pay their tuition fees and reduce their student loans. Download the app, choose your course and instantly access the scholarships.

We think that no student should ever be put off higher education by the prospect of a £50,000 debt. What kind of graduation present is that?! Scholarships offer a solution.



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**DEAR DP1S AND DP2S: FREE ACT RESOURCES TO HELP YOU AVOID THE SUMMER SLIDE!**A background image of two baseball players in blue and white uniforms on a sandy field. One player is in the foreground, crouching, and another is behind him, also crouching.

**Forget the**  
**summer slide**  
**help your student**  
**knock it out of the**  
**park with** **ACT<sup>®</sup> Academy<sup>™</sup>**

We've all heard the statistics: students may experience up to 2 months of learning loss during the summer months. There are many summer learning options, but many of them are costly and not affordable for all students.

Using ACT Academy, which is completely free, students can stay sharp throughout the summer and have a strong start when they head back to school in the fall!

**[academy.act.org/summer-slide/](https://academy.act.org/summer-slide/)**

Check it out and start preparing and practising for the ACT. The ACT exam is now accepted by most USA universities and excelling on the ACT can enhance your chances of receiving generous financial aid from your universities. It is highly recommended for all students, especially those interested in STEM. Get to use free exciting videos that explain the content on the ACT topic by topic.

Visit: <https://academy.act.org/summer-slide-educator/>



**TIS Family, have a blessed, restful and fun vacation! God be with us all.**

**See you in August for another exciting, and impactful school year.**



## Grade 10s Joining us in DP1

**To our Grade 10s, a very warm welcome to IB DP1 in August 2019.**

It's going to be an exciting academic and college application journey preparing you for that opportune moment where you gain admission into your dream university. Just get ready and fasten your seatbelt as you take off. Welcome once again in advance to a new semester/school year of opportunities. We (College Guides) are looking forward to working with you in IB DP1. Best wishes!

Make time to get some rest, study for SAT and ACT as you make the most of this summer vacation. Come ready to take ownership of the process. The wonderful university offers your seniors enjoyed did not come by being lackadaisical. It took hard work! We pray for success in your IGCSE exams. For the remaining papers, please finish hard!



**Standardized Testing is on! Save the dates and register with us!**



5 October 2019	14 September 2019
2 November 2019	12 October 2019
SAT (Subject tests only*)	
7 December, 2019	14 December 2019
14 March 2020	4 April 2020
SAT (No subj. tests**)	
2 May 2020	

**A valid unexpired passport is the only form of identification. This summer is a great time for students to prepare for these tests. A summer to-do list has been posted on ManageBac for all DP1 students. DP1s, maximize your summer vacation!**





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# SPORTS



At TIS, we believe that sport, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, promotes teamwork, challenges personal best and emphasizes the importance of appreciating how to lose before knowing how to win.



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**Soon to be Grade 10s and DP1s- Reminder about PreACT and PSAT tests next semester!**



**\*\*\*Saturday, 28 September, 2019** come along with your unexpired passport- **JUST ONE SLOT!**

**PSAT** Is just one slot in 2019



**\*\*\*Saturday, 19 October 2019,** come along with your unexpired passport!



1. Students are encouraged to register now, or do so when school resumes.
2. Use summer breaks for test prep and effective studies.
3. Registration fees are non-refundable.

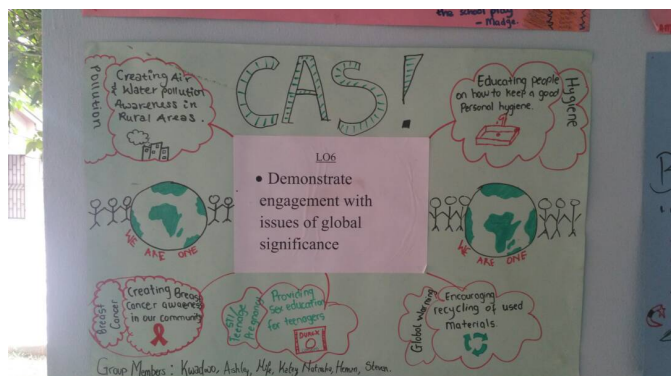
**Want To Take These Tests?? Here's Why:**



1. Free money up for grabs! (Scholarships).
2. Boosts reflection of academic potential- complements IB DP results.
3. Great start for freshmen first entry-level jobs.
4. Strong demonstration of college readiness.
5. Increase chances for a Merit Award.
6. A platform for the Admissions Team to know you better!
7. Builds students up for aptitude on the job test.
8. It provides a competitive advantage for university program selection.



## CAS-SA Corner



### CAS Projects & The 7 Learning Outcomes – Summer for DP students

To our upcoming Grade 11 students (current Grade 10s), summer is a great opportunity to read the CAS Handbook and get a deeper understanding of CAS and its requirements. Talk to your parents about your ideas for a CAS project and how you can reach out to your community as you identify a need and find possible solutions. CAS will give you an

opportunity to learn so much about others and yourself. The Student Handbook will be uploaded next week. For now, keep focus and best of luck on your last papers.

To our upcoming Grade 12s, CAS will continue till end of January 2020, when you are expected to have concluded all projects and experiences and submitted your final CAS Essay, as discussed this year you will be required to make a presentation about your CAS journey to the school community.

All your engagements throughout Grade 11 must be recorded on your MB CAS worksheet, with evidence and reflections. We urge you to take advantage of summer and prepare adequately towards your EE, IAs TOKs and most especially CAS, which is part of the Core of the Diploma Programme. No excuses.

You are already in the know that you must undertake a project that will last for at least 1 month with a reasonable balance between the three strands of CAS.

**Creativity** stands for exploring and extending ideas leading to a unique product or a performance.

**Activity** stands for a physical exertion which forms part of a healthy lifestyle.

**Service** as the last strand is a collaborative and mutual engagement with the community in a bid of supporting an authentic need. A CAS project duration is a minimum of 1 month. The CAS project can address any single strand of CAS, or combine two or all three strands. Individuals involved in one project or another are encouraged to work towards completion and the other members of the class who are not engaged in CAS are advised to take action during summer to ensure approval.

The CAS team is available to advise and support in the process. Check ManageBac and reach out to your CAS Advisor via email or call. Make sure to have your project approved before you start. The seven learning outcomes, your interests, skills and prior knowledge will guide you in choosing the best project. Be balanced and authentic. See description of the **7 learning outcomes** of CAS below as a reminder.

**Become more aware of their own strengths and areas of growth:** Realize the understanding that you are an individual with various abilities and skills, of which some are more developed than others. Through CAS you will become more aware of what abilities you possess or not.

**Undertake challenges that will develop new skills:** A new challenge may be an unfamiliar experience, or an extension of an existing event. However, a newly acquired or developed skill can be gained through experiences that you have not been engaged in previously, or may not have an expertise in an established area. It is, therefore, prudent for students to engage in area that will take them an extra mile.

**Discuss, evaluate and plan student initiated activities:** The ability to articulate the stages of a project from conceiving an idea to executing a plan for a CAS experience is learning experience. You may accomplish this in collaboration with other participants. You learn the dynamics of presenting an initiated and a well-thought out plan in the process of been involved in CAS.

**Persevere in Action:** Show commitment to and perseverance in CAS experiences. Being consistent and focused on an accomplishment is an added value you could learn. You are able to demonstrate regular involvement and active engagement in CAS.

**Work collaboratively with others:** You are able to identify, demonstrate and discuss the benefits and challenges of collaboration gained through CAS experiences. Work with your peers and learn how to complete a task together.

**Develop international-mindedness through global engagement, multilingualism and intercultural understanding:** Think about how you can identify and demonstrate your understanding of global issues, make responsible decisions, and take appropriate action in response to issues either locally, nationally or internationally.

**Consider the ethical implications of their actions:** As a student, you can demonstrate awareness of the consequences of choices and actions when planning and carrying out CAS experience Advocacy projects.

Remember, CAS challenges and grows you. It also gives you an incredible opportunity to reach out to your community and make a difference.

Enjoy quality time with family and friends, relax, be in touch with nature, exercise, eat a balance meal, laugh, do good, pray and play!

See you in August!

CAS Team



## The ASTRAL Magazine is HERE!

The newest addition to the TIS publications is the *Astral* magazine. As mentioned in previous bulletins, this edition covers all the exciting events and happenings within and out of TIS of the entire 2018/19 academic year.

The 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the magazine will take you on a trip to the galaxy, illustrating all the dazzling and rainbow-like aspects of Tema International School. This includes the many colorful personalities and opportunities provided for students.

All proceeds from the magazine are channeled towards funding of surgeries for children with congenital heart disease in collaboration with the Children's Heart Foundation Ghana.

To support this worthy cause, purchase a copy of the *Astral* (TIS Universe) at **GHC 60** from the CASSA Team.



## DEAF CULTURE



Deaf Culture is the heart of deaf community everywhere in the world. Language and culture are inseparable. They are intertwined and passed down through generations of deaf people. The deaf community is comprised of culturally deaf people in the core of the community who use a sign language (e.g. Ghanaian Sign Language or American Sign Language) and appreciate their heritage, history, literature, and culture.

Language and culture are interrelated. Sign language is central to any deaf person, child or adult for their intellectual, social, linguistic and emotional growth, but to truly internalize the language, they must have the culture that is embedded in the language. Every linguistic and cultural group has its own way of seeing and expressing how they see and interpret the world and interact in it.

Like many linguistic minorities, deaf people enjoy a unique culture, as worthy of respect as any other. The deaf way of life is quite fascinating. It is only in recent years that research has begun to explore different aspects of deaf relationships, communication and society.

One good example of deaf culture is the way deaf people interact with each other when eating. Constant **eye contact** is made in order to communicate visually in sign language, whereas hearing people don't make such regular eye contact and may carry on eating during the conversation.

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## PROM NIGHT Update – IGCSE Class of 2019

All hail the Prom King and Queen!

As part of high school tradition, our IGCSE graduating class of 2019 has begun plans towards their Prom Night/dinner dance. Detailed information, concerning venue and time will be communicated at a later date. The tentative date for the prom is on 21 June 2019.

However, we would like to inform parents that this is solely a students/grade initiated event funded by the students and parents of the grade, through various fundraising projects in school. The students head organizers are:

- President – **Shanda Otchere**
- Vice Pres. – **Arnold Gyateng**
- Secretary – **Jackie Aisha Buba**
- PROs – **Lilainie Addo & Adom Berchie**
- Organiser – **Germaine Osei Kwakye**
- Designers – **Saahene Osei and Hamdia Ibrahim**
- Advisors – **Liesel Amonoo-Neizer and Terence Mwindaaare**
- Co-opted Members – **Amanda Fafa Awumee, Jason Bortei-Doku & Michel Gyau Bright**
- Treasurers – **Salma Roland and Joseph Agyeman**

The team is supported by **Mad. Vanessa Amankwah** as the parent organizer. Ms. Grace Attram and Ms. Abigail will be at the venue in their capacity as Chaperones for the students. Parents are advised to drop and pick their wards. The theme for the party is HOLLYWOOD. Ongoing plans seem to promise nothing but a splendid night full of memories, fun and laughter.

For further clarification, kindly direct all enquiries to Ms. Grace – 0244626805 or email address [g\\_attram@tis.edu.gh](mailto:g_attram@tis.edu.gh)

Furthermore, we would also like to discourage extravagant spending in terms of logistics and promote a subtle tone for the celebrations.



Please note that this event is NOT organized by Tema International School, but by parents and students of the IGCSE graduating class of 2019.





# Tema International School



## (Primary School Campus)

*A modern Primary School in the TIS tradition.*

Admissions are now open

School opens: 2 September, 2019

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