

TIS RECORD

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At TIS,

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

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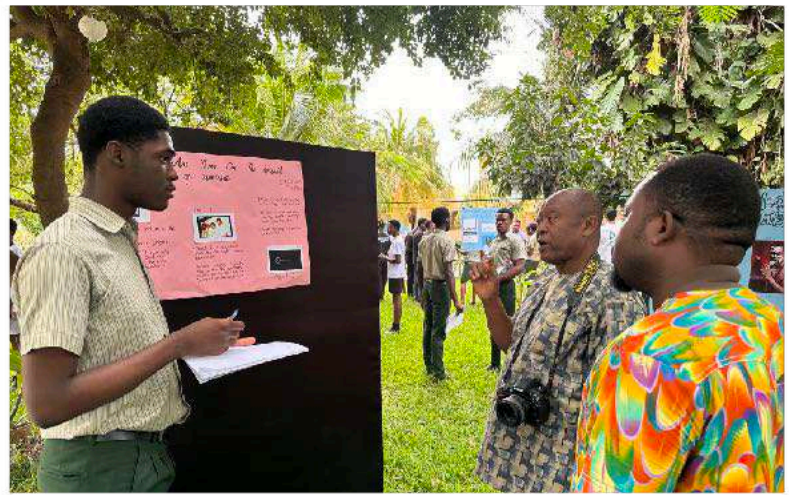
Key Dates

- 2-6/10/23: 20th Anniversary TIS Spirit Week (No exeats)
- 2/10/23: TIS Education Forum: 2.00pm (No exeats)
- 3/10/23: TIS Founders' Day (No exeats)
- 8/10/23: Secondary students may depart from 3.00pm for the mid-semester break.

Thought for the Week

Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless, and knowledge without integrity is dangerous and dreadful.

- Samuel Johnson



Our Most Important Week

Dear Parents, Alumni and Friends of TIS,

I hope you will join students and staff to celebrate TIS Founders' Week as we celebrate our 20th anniversary.

Four special and exciting events that we hope to see you at are:

- The EduForum on Monday, 2 October, from 2.00-4.00pm.
- The Founders' Day Assembly on Tuesday, 3 October, from 12.00 noon.
- The TIS Anniversary Durbar on Saturday, 7 October, commencing at 11.00am.
- The Anniversary Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, 8 October, commencing at 10.00am.



"My definition of integrity is a set of beliefs, values, and actions that others can depend on."

-Steve Bollar

SAT & ACT

- Best advice: students who are required to complete SAT and/or ACT requirements should do so by the end of Grade 11. Leave it until G12 and you have created a personal time-management monster.
- Please follow instructions and details provided in the weekly Counsellors' Corner section of the TIS Bulletin.

Making Us Proud

Jenevieve Achemdey, Breindelle Kusi Boateng, Peyton Kidd, and Farah Agoro Kerim Dikeni (11) for their important article on Respect and Honesty in last week's Bulletin.

Nana Yaa Achiampong (9) who is swimming champion of the week.

Florence

Anim, a Nursery student captured the spotlight at the **Sporty Family Day** event last week, distinguishing herself as the youngest participant at the event.

Grade 12 students who presented at the TOK Exhibition last Friday, 22 September. Very, very impressive. Well done.

Our 2023 Newbies. Thank you for settling in so well. I can't recall a happier group of Newbies. Well done and thank you for making us proud.

All events will be held at the Sports Complex, Main Campus.

Mid-Semester Break

The mid-semester break is from 9-13 October. Classes will recommence on Monday 16 October.

Secondary students may depart the hostels from 3.00pm on Sunday, 8 October, following the Thanksgiving Service and lunch. All students must depart the hostels by Monday, 9 October. They should return to hostels by 5.00pm on Sunday, 15 October.

Admissions

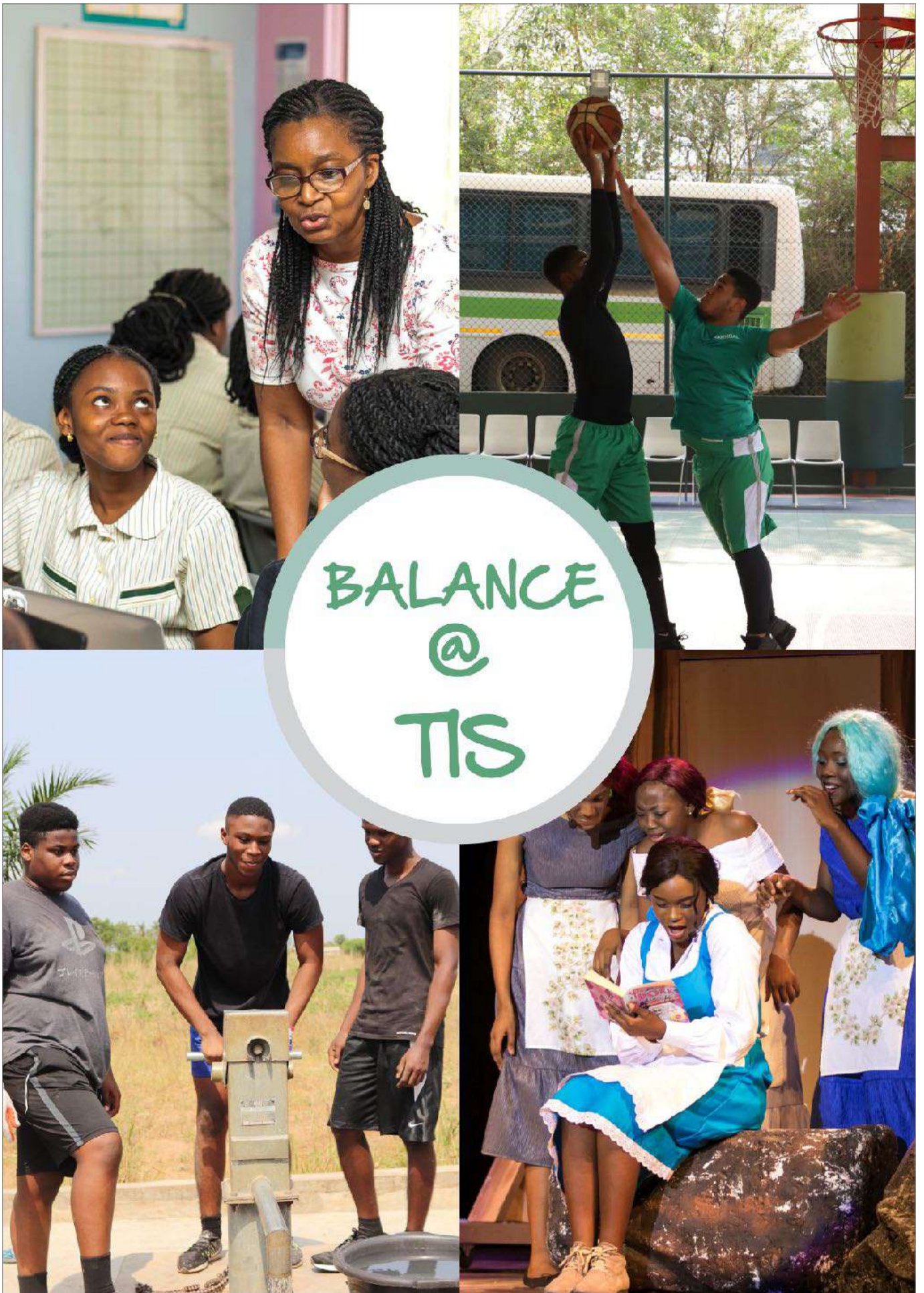
Admissions for the current year will close for Grades 9 & 11 on 10 October. Admissions for all other grades Nursery-Grade 8 will remain open.

Admissions for the 2024/2025 academic year will open on 3 October 2023 for Grades 7 - 9 & 11. First-round interviews will be conducted in November and offers will be made in December. Our admissions process is online at: <https://tis.openapply.com>

I appreciate your support. Stay healthy.

Dr Ken Darvall (Principal)





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MAIN CAMPUS INFORMATION



Exeat

There are two types of exeats: general and medical.

All students will be allowed two exeats each mid-semester. Please plan accordingly to avoid disappointments.

All exeat requests must be completed online and submitted with at least 48 hours' notice, with the exception of urgent medical issues. Weekend exeat requests must be received by the preceding Wednesday. Any requests after this deadline will not be approved.

The integrity of an exeat request is critical.

No exeats will be granted if a student has outstanding work.

No exeats will be granted during the last week before a semester break.

Parents/Drivers must show the approval exeat from their phone to enter (NO SHOW. NO GO!).

Students must return by 5.00pm on Sundays (weekend exeats).



General Exeat

A general exeat will cover passport and visa matters, as well as family events. These must not exceed more than two per mid-semester.

Access the general exeat form from here: <https://www.tis.edu.gh/exeat-form/>



Medical Exeat

A medical exeat will cover medical, dental, optical, and hospital appointments. When possible, appointments should be made for Saturdays, to minimise learning loss.

Access the medical exeat form from here: <https://www.tis.edu.gh/medical-exeat-form/>

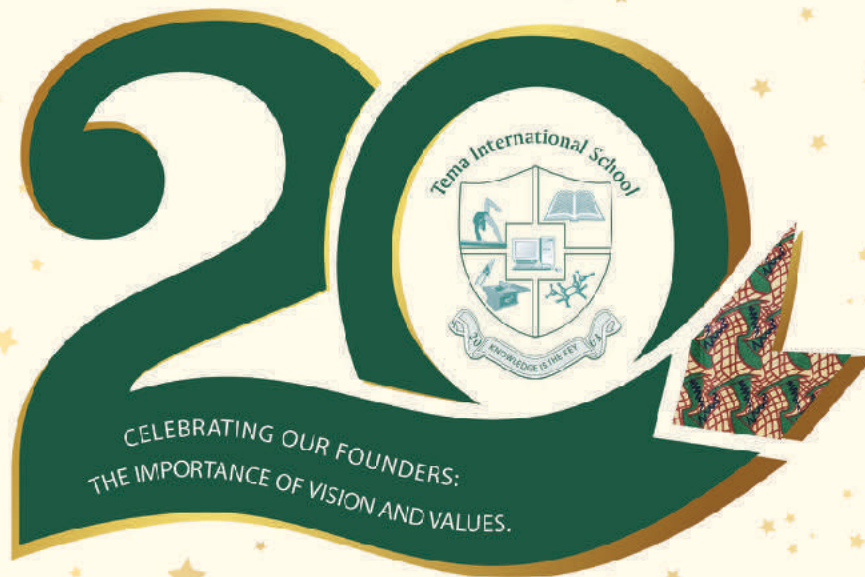
A medical exeat is for the same day departure and return. Otherwise, it is a general exeat. Requesting a medical exeat with a departure on Friday and a return on Sunday is a weekend (general) exeat.



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2003 - 2023

Celebrating



YEARS



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PRESENTS



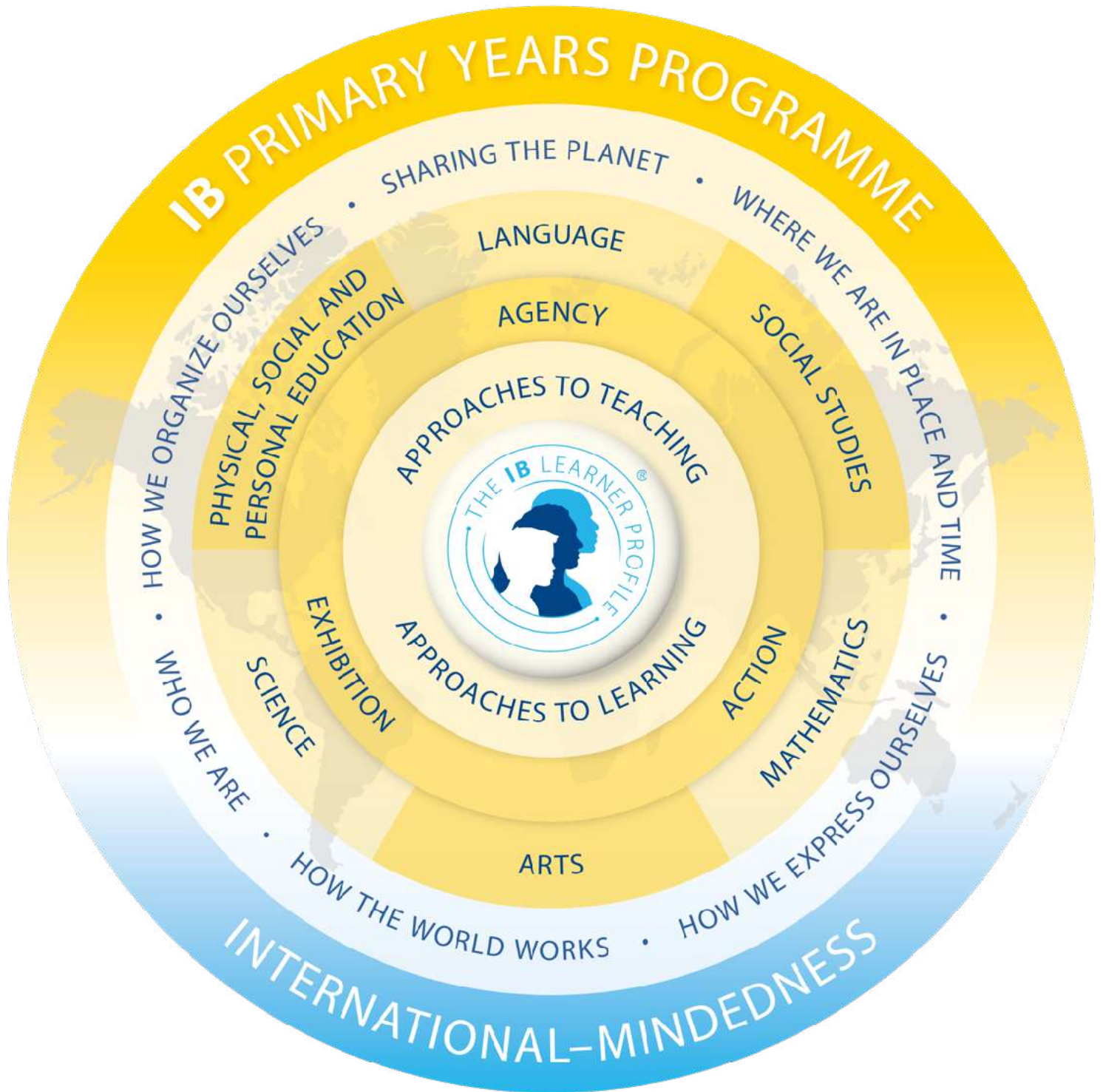
EDUCATIONAL FORUM

Transformative Education: The Role of Technology and Cultural Diversity



Monday, 2 oct 2023 | 2:00 pm–4:30 PM | TIS Sports Complex





INQUIRY THROUGH VISUAL ARTS

At Tema International School, an IB PYP school, students inquire in a really cool way. We believe visual arts are super important for making students smart in many ways. In this article, we'll see how art is a big part of learning at the Tema International Primary School Primary campus.

Art makes learners more creative with the use of their imagination and creativity. It's not just about colouring or drawing. It's about coming up with new ideas and solutions. At the Primary School campus, we want our learners to be very creative in everything they do, not just in art class. This helps them think in new and smart ways which sharpens their observation and problem-solving skills, and makes them internationally-minded.

Art helps learners to solve problems and think hard in relatable and unrelatable situations. Art helps students to learn how to solve problems and think carefully. When they create art, they have to make choices and solve issues. Art at the Primary School campus is like a superpower for learners to solve world problems. When learners make art, they use their imagination and creativity to think of new ideas and solutions. It's like a magical playground where they can explore ways to fix broken things like “galamsey”, child labour, abuse, adolescent health and more.

Primary School art also helps students express their feelings and understand other people's feelings better. When they draw or paint, they can show how they feel about important issues, like helping the environment or being kind to others. And when learners share their art with others, it can inspire them to work together to improve the world. So, art isn't just about colours and paper. It's a tool that helps kids become superheroes for the planet.

Understanding others' art teaches the students to express themselves without words. They can show how they feel or what they think through art. It also helps them understand what others are trying to say with their art. This skill is good for talking and understanding people better and making them more internationally-minded which is one of the topmost IB goals.

Art in the PYP helps students learn about different cultures. Art at our campus inspires and educates the students to know about different cultures around the world. Art is like a language that everyone can understand. Through art, the learners can learn about other cultures and be more open-minded and appreciative of culture and race.

Art boosts the self-confidence of the learners. Learners feel proud of themselves when they make art and others like it. This helps them believe in themselves and feel good. When they feel good about themselves, they can do better in school and in life. The transdisciplinary aspect of learning in our school helps learners connect their art to all other subject disciplines, thereby creating a broader and deeper understanding of all concepts under inquiry.

At TIS Primary School, art is not just something extra. It's really important. It helps learners be creative, solve problems, talk well, know about the world, feel confident, and assist in understanding different subjects' concepts with ease. Art makes learners smarter and better people, and that's why it's a big part of learning in our happy school.

ART MAKES LEARNERS TO BE MORE CREATIVE



ART HELPS LEARNERS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS





STUDENTS' REFLECTIONS



Art has helped me expres myself creatively through, drawing, painting, collages etc.

Elsa Sevor
Grade 4



Acquiring art knowledge at TIS has provided me with ample creative abilities, enabling me to embark on various DIY art projects at home.

Michal Annan
Grade 4



Art has helped me gained enough skills to improve upon my poster making.

ELIKEM EDZE
Grade 2



Studying art at TIS has increased my awareness of my surroundings and has also empowered me to educate others about the importance of addressing certain negative social behaviors

Sun Hui Hao
Grade 6



Studying art in TIS primary campus has helped me to improve upon my creativity. I have learnt how to draw better using basic shapes and forms.

ELLIE SEVOR
Grade 2



Learning art at TIS has let me make really cool things easily, and it's also helped me discover exciting things about different cultures all around the world.

Solomon Atseku
Grade 3





TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 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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2023/24 TIS School Calendar Overview

August 2023						
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COLOUR KEY

	School Closed/ Holidays		Teacher in-Service Day (no school for students)
	Main Campus Event		First and Last Day of School (Main Campus)
	Primary Campus Event		First and Last Day of School (Primary Campus)
	SAT Test		ACT Test

Public Holidays

4/8/23	Founders' Day
21/9/23	Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Day
1/12/23	Farmers' Day
7/1/24	Constitution Day
6/3/24	Independence Day
29/3/24	Good Friday
31/3/24	Easter Monday
9/4/24	Eid Al Fitr (TBC)
1/5/24	Labour Day

SI Internal Dates: Main Campus

24-27/7/23	Dukies' Gold expedition camp
1/8/23	2023 MYP Results Released; 2023 MYP Enquiries Upon Results Open
1/8/23	Senior management staff resume
7/8/23	Teachers resume; review of school policies
14/8/23	Student Council executives return
16/8/23	Newbies arrive
20/8/23	Continuing students resume
21/8/23	Secondary School classes commence; G9 Subject Selection
22/8/23	PP Criterion B draft due
23-25/8/23	MYP IDU Days
24-25/8/23	G11 CAS & Dukies Orientation Camp
25/8/23	TIS Junior Soccer Championships
26/8/23	SAT; TIS Senior Soccer Championships
27/8/23	School Performance auditions
1/9/23	TIS Handball Championships;
2/9/23	MYP Parents Information session. (10.00am) NO EXEATS
3/9/23	Thanksgiving Service (11.00am: Students only) NO EXEATS
8/9/23	Legal Minds mooting competition
9/9/23	ACT ; TISSA Soccer Championships/TISSA Badminton Championships
16/9/23	TISSA Handball Championships/TISSA Tennis Championships
21/9/23	TIS@20 Sporty Family Day. NO EXEATS
22/9/23	No classes; G12 TOK Exhibition; PP Criterion B final due
23/9/23	TIS Volleyball Championships. NO EXEATS
2-6/10/23	20 th Anniversary TIS Spirit Week. NO EXEATS
2/10/23	TIS Education Forum: 2.00pm NO EXEATS
3/10/23	TIS Founders' Day - Special Assembly: Main Campus admissions open for 2024/2025
7/10/23	SAT; Anniversary Durbar. NO EXEATS
8/10/23	20 th anniversary Thanksgiving Service. NO EXEATS
9-14/10/23	Mid-semester break
14/10/23	PSAT
15/10/23	Students return to hostels
16-18/10/23	MYP Evaluation Visit
23/10/23	Student Council (SC) shadowing process commences; SEC Universities Fair (2.00-4.00pm)
24/10/23	G12 EE Café
28/10/23	ACT
30/10/23	PP Criterion C draft due
31/10/23	G9/G11 Changes to Subject Selections close
4/11/23	SAT
18/11/23	20 th Anniversary Musical Production (National Theatre). NO EXEATS
20-30/11/23	G10-12 end of semester exams
27/11/23	PP Criterion C completion
2/12/23	SAT
3/12/23	SC applications open for 2024 elections
4-5/12/23	Group 4 Project (G12)
7/12/23	Christmas Lunch
8/12/23	PP Final Report due
9/12/23	ACT;
10/12/23	20 th Anniversary Christmas Concert
12-14/12/23	Dukies' Bronze & Silver expedition camp
13/12/23	Last day for the first semester: Students may depart after 3-Way interviews.
15/12/23	Last day for teachers

S2

11-12/1/24	Staff training days
14/1/24	Students return to hostels; applications for 2024 SC positions close
15/1/24	Second semester commences.
15-21/1/24	Alumni Homecoming Week
21/1/24	Alumni Thanksgiving Service
22/1/24	SC Manifesto Readings
24/1/24	2023 Student Council elections by voting (7.00am-4.00pm)
27/1/24	TIS Athletic Championships
29-31/1/24	IDU Days; G12 EE; G11 EE, 11/12 CAS Dukies Reflection Day
3/2/24	SC Leadership Camp
4/2/24	Student Leadership Induction Ceremony NO EXEATS
9/2/24	TIS Badminton Championships; TIS Junior Tennis Championships
10/2/24	TIS Science Fair. NO EXEATS
12-16/2/24	MYP Mock eAssessments
15/2/24	G11 TOK Exhibition
16-17/2/24	TIS Basketball Championships; TIS Senior Tennis Championships
17/2/24	Chocolate Friendship Day
19/2-2/3/24	DP Mocks
28/2/24	PP standardisation and moderation (teachers)
2/3/24	MYP Projects (Personal & Community) NO EXEATS
3/3/24	TIS swimming championships (3.00 – 5.00pm)
9/3/24	SAT (Digital); TIS Squash Championships; TISSA Basketball Championships
14/3/24	Pi Day
16/3/24	Expression Day NO EXEATS
25-27/3/24	Dukies Bronze & Silver expedition camp
25/3-6/4/24	Mid-semester break
8/4/24	G12 Grad photos (All day)
13/4/24	ACT
14/4/24	Exam Candidates' Service NO EXEATS
19/4-17/5/24	DP Final Exams
21/4/24	PP Criterion A draft due; G11 EE Cafe
4/5/24	SAT (Digital)
6 – 17/5/24	MYP eAssessments
8-17/5/24	G11 semester exams
19/5/24	Leavers' Dinner
24-29/5/24	G9 eAssessments
30/5/24	MYP4 (2024/2025) subject selections
1/6/24	2024 Annual Achievers and Graduation Ceremony; Last day for Secondary Classes
7/6/24	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published.
8/6/24	ACT
9-12/6/24	Dukies' Gold Level expedition camp
15/6/24	France/Spain trips commence
5/7/24	France/Spain trips end
22-25/7/24	Dukies' Gold Level expedition camp

Entertainment Night Events

- TIS Speaker of the Year
- Inter-Colour Language Competition

Primary School Campus**Public Holidays**

4/8/23	Founders' Day
21/9/23	Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Day
1/12/23	Farmers' Day
7/1/24	Constitution Day
6/3/24	Independence Day
29/3/24	Good Friday
31/3/24	Easter Monday
9/4/24	Eid Al Fitr (TBC)
1/5/24	Labour Day

S1 Internal Dates (Primary School Campus)

7/8/23	Staff prep commences
18/8/23	Meet the teacher session
21/8/23	First semester commences
22/9/23	No classes. Sign Language Day
29/9/23	End of UOI #1 Celebrations
9-14/10/23	Mid-semester break
10/11/23	End of UOI #2 Celebrations
24/11/23	Spelling Bee
13/12/23	End of UOI #3 Celebrations; Last day of semester
15/12/23	Last day for teachers

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11-12/1/24	Staff Training Days
16/2/24	End of UOI #4 Celebrations
15/2/24	Mother Tongue Day (Celebrating Culture)
15/3/24	Celebrating Additional Languages
22/3/24	End of UOI #5 Celebrations
25/3-6/4/24	Mid-semester break
19/4/24	Book Day
10/5/24	Environment Day/ Unit Celebrations (K1-G4) & Visual Arts Exhibition
17/5/24	PYP Exhibition/ (Sports Picnic K1-G4)
24/5/24	2024 Achievers and Graduation Ceremony
2/6/24	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published

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TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL THE LEADERSHIP INCUBATOR

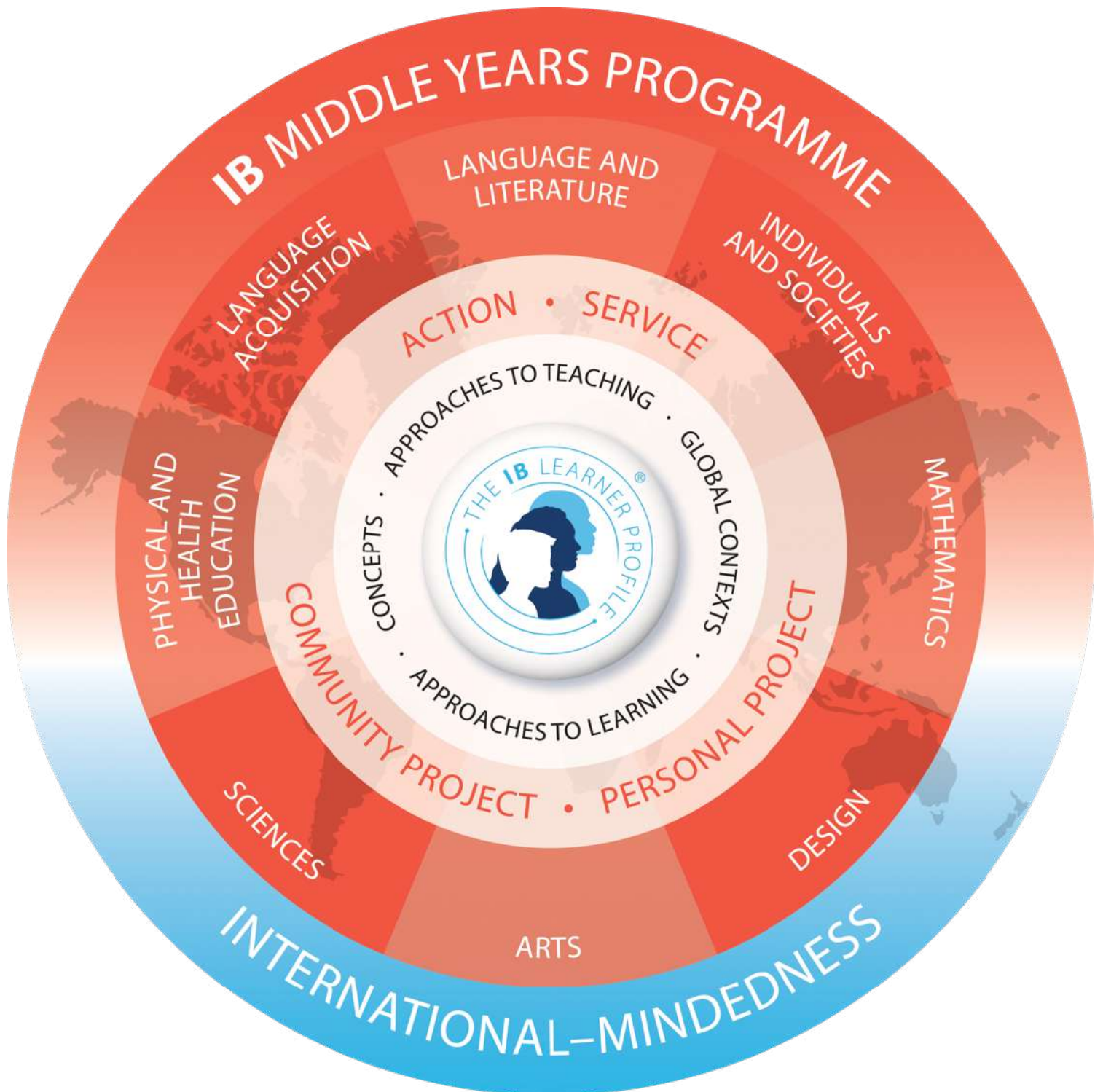


At TIS, we believe the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success - Academics, Service, Sport and Culture - provide a theoretical lens for inquiry, critical thinking, conceptual understanding in a real-world context, through action.

Across all four pillars, TIS prides itself on the opportunities and experiences that enable all graduates to develop and enhance leadership attributes and skills to make a difference and the world a better place. As leaders, we create our footprints to ensure authenticity.



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Learning Support

At TIS, teaching and non-teaching staff share a collective responsibility for supporting the inclusive learning of the students in our community. Guided by our policies, we encourage teamwork between staff, students, parents and the learning support office to support learning diversity for all our students.

Learning support at TIS is in addition to subject specific support which subject teachers give.

Students may be referred to the learning support supervisor, Mr Solomon Addotey, or they may visit him themselves. Parents are also encouraged to inform the admissions team of existing learning support needs of their ward during the admissions process. However, parents should initially contact the programme coordinators if learning support concerns develop during the semester. The programme coordinators may need to request access (special) arrangements for students during their IB examinations if they receive documented information early enough.

The supervisor may prepare resources to help improve learning for students with specific learning needs so that they continue to receive access to the programmes. All school community members responsible for students' learning support will monitor learning and meet at regular intervals to evaluate progress. Students will take an active part and remain at the centre of their own learning.

The learning support office is currently open during the semester at these times:

Day 3 – 2.00pm to 4:30pm

Day 4 – 11.00 am to 4:30pm

Day 6 – 2.00pm to 4:30pm

Yvonne Tagoe

MYP Coordinator

MYP 5-Year Review

Inclusion and celebrating learning diversity is an integral part of our mission at Tema International School (TIS). In our drive to improve inclusion and diversity last academic year, the Middle Years' Programme (MYP) development focused on striving for 100% access to the curriculum and to our examination process, especially for our MYP5 students. Actions such as these form part of the current 5-year review process undertaken by the IB to ensure that, as an International Baccalaureate World School (IBWS), TIS can work towards promoting equality in access to an IB education for all students.

TIS has been running the MYP for the last seven years. It has been an authorised MYP school for the last five years. This October, as has been publicised in our school calendar, the International Baccalaureate (IB) will conduct its 5-year verification of TIS as an MYP school. As part of the verification process, the IB will be visiting the school to find out how we have been delivering the MYP. This visit will include meeting school community members and interacting with students and parents alike. This is to verify that the school community keeps abreast of the MYP at TIS. This process will also evaluate how we have grown since our authorisation as an MYP school. As the IB team cannot speak to everyone, they are happy to engage with a few members of our community to speak as representatives for us all.

Much of the information the IB requires from us is sent to them electronically. The rest, they acquire via virtual meetings with the school community members. The revised verification process focusses on four key standards. Purpose, Environment, Culture and Learning. The impact on students is at the centre of these standards. This process promotes programme development and growth in areas in which a school has strengths, or in which a school works to develop its strengths. At TIS, we have celebrated 100% access to the MYP curriculum, irrespective of learning diversity, for several years. We continue to demonstrate growth in our interdisciplinary learning and personal projects where this year, we celebrated 100% in grades 4 to 7 in the May 2023 MYP examinations. We continue to trail-blaze in authentic IBMYP provision in Ghana. This is and continues to be a testament to the Environment, Culture and Learning practices that we continue to develop and provide in the MYP.

Once again, as publicised, the MYP verification visit takes place from 16-18 October inclusive.

Yvonne Tagoe

MYP Coordinator



Ten tips for acting with integrity

Always act with honesty and in a responsible and ethical manner—being conscious of the influence that you have on those around you can set a great example to others.



Familiarise yourself with the school's rules and ensure that you understand what academic integrity means and consists of.

Don't try to gain an **unfair** advantage in coursework, mock examinations, or assessments by copying someone else's answers or using a mobile phone during an exam, for example.



Always reference and cite other people's work that you have used in your essays—be **proud** of explaining that you understood someone else's ideas and thought that they were good. **Seek help** if you are struggling or are not sure of expectations.

Stand up for what is **right**—alert a member of staff at your school if you suspect that someone has cheated.



Learn to **accept** your strengths and weaknesses and do the best that you can.

Take responsibility for your own actions and their consequences.



Know how to **safely collaborate** and share work when using social media and digital collaborative platforms.

Be mindful of maintaining academic integrity during group work/projects and keep track of what each group member is contributing.



Try to **overcome procrastination**. Managing your time wisely will reduce stress-induced, last-minute work which increases the likelihood of cheating.



TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL ACADEMICS

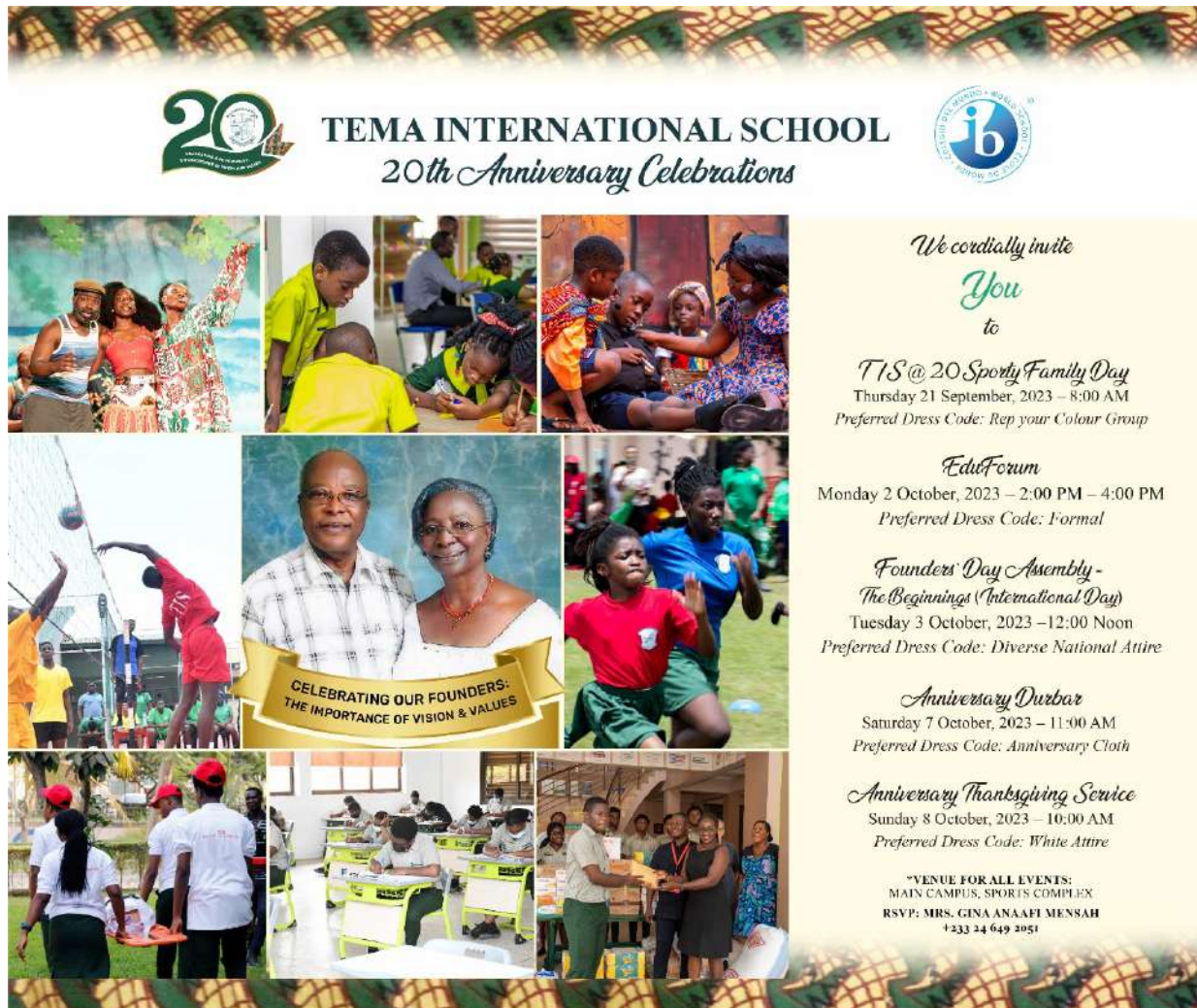


At TIS, we believe that the academics, as one of the four pillars for student balance and ensuing success, provide a theoretical lens for inquiry, critical thinking and conceptual understanding, as well as the opportunity to demonstrate our knowledge and understanding across many areas of learning.



EDUCATION FOR A BETTER WORLD

CAS-SA Corner – TIS @ 20



TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
20th Anniversary Celebrations

We cordially invite
You
to

TIS @ 20 Sporty Family Day
Thursday 21 September, 2023 – 8:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: Rep your Colour Group

EduForum
Monday 2 October, 2023 – 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Preferred Dress Code: Formal

**Founders' Day Assembly -
The Beginnings (International Day)**
Tuesday 3 October, 2023 – 12:00 Noon
Preferred Dress Code: Diverse National Attire

Anniversary Durbar
Saturday 7 October, 2023 – 11:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: Anniversary Cloth

Anniversary Thanksgiving Service
Sunday 8 October, 2023 – 10:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: White Attire

*VENUE FOR ALL EVENTS:
MAIN CAMPUS, SPORTS COMPLEX
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20th Anniversary Calendar of events

Theme: “Celebrating our Founders: The Importance of Vision and Values.”

- 21 September (Thursday) – **TIS @ 20 Sporty Family Day** – SPMC
Launching - Service initiative – “Transforming Lives”.
- 2 October (Monday) – **EduForum** – 2:00 PM – SPMC
- 3 October (Tuesday) – **Founders' Day Assembly** – 12:00 Noon - SPMC
- 7 October (Saturday) – **Anniversary Durbar** – 10:00 AM – SPMC
- 8 October (Sunday) – **Anniversary Thanksgiving Service** – 10:00 AM SPMC

Send your Well Wishes to Tema International School

We are thrilled to announce that our beloved Tema International School is celebrating its 20th anniversary! This significant occasion calls for joyous celebrations and an opportunity to reflect on the remarkable journey we have shared together as a school community.

To commemorate this milestone, we invite you to send your well wishes and congratulatory messages to Tema International School through this form. <https://forms.gle/qWwpGYcDLutBQnMS9>

20th Anniversary Committee – IB Class of 2025



Every year, Spirit Week is observed by the whole school, students and staff. The activities for this year are planned to celebrate the school's **20th Anniversary** and how far the school has come. This year's anniversary theme is **“Celebrating our founders: The importance of vision and values.”** Activities, programs, and experiences throughout spirit week will highlight TIS Four Pillars Sports, Culture, Academics, and Service.

During Spirit Week, we as students will have the chance to deepen our understanding of the world and of ourselves as well as to capture memories that will last a lifetime. You cannot imagine how exhilarating an experience this anniversary is going to be and once again we are so pleased to be the ones bringing this experience to you. When you're older and think back to how much fun you had in high school, this coming spirit week will be what you think about.

Jenelle Mac-Deh & Joseph James (G11) – Co-Leaders of The Anniversary Committee

Subcommittee Leaders

- **Sporty Family Leaders** - Jenevieve Achemdey and Evaristus Amarh
- **Gospel Explosion Leaders** - Mekaila Offei and Eunice Abena Adubofour
- **Education Forum Leaders** - Vitus Anaab Bisi and Tracy Adjei
- **Spirit Week Leaders** - Farah Agoro Kerim-Dikeni and Terrie Tenge
- **Founders Day Leaders** - Charlene Akwei and Ekuba Bervell-Ackah
- **International Day** - Frederica Ayitey
- **Teacher's Day** - Kelvin Asante and Blessed Quashie
- **Uniform Change-Up** - Ann Joelle-Amey and Paa Kwesi Dennis
- **Toddlers' vs Oldies** - Awura Mensah Asante and Alberta Aduaa-Owusu
- **Durbar Committee** - Allyson Achiampong and Kuukua Fynn
- **AfroTISSA Galla** – Frederica Ayitey and Kelvin Asante
- **Thanksgiving Leaders** - Prince Cobinnah and Adelaide Alswell Egbenya
- **Media** - Jeffrey Boahen and Kafui Ashiagbor
- **Decor Committee Leader** - Nhyira Ntim Adu and Peyton Amiah Kidd
- **Organizers** - Dentu Gyampo and Nana Ama Adjagar

TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL IB CLASS OF 2025 PRESENTS

SPIRIT WEEK @ 20



SATURDAY - SMART
CASUAL ATTIRE
30 SEPTEMBER

**GOSPEL
EXPLOSION**



EDUFORUM

MONDAY- FORMAL ATTIRE
2 OCTOBER



TUESDAY- INTERNATIONAL
ATTIRE
3 OCTOBER

**FOUNDERS
DAY**



UNIFORM CHANGEUP

WED- UNIFORM STYLED
UNCONVENTIONALLY
4 OCTOBER



THURSDAY- FUTURE CAREER PATH
ATTIRE
5 OCTOBER

TEACHERS DAY



**TODDLERS VS
OLDIES**

FRIDAY- DRESS AS A KID OR AN OLD PERSON

6 OCTOBER



Anniversary Song - Up Where We Belong

Song by Jennifer Warnes and Joe Cocker

... **Who knows what tomorrow brings**

In a world few hearts survive
All I know is the way I feel
When it's real, I keep it alive

... **The road is long**

There are mountains in our way
But we climb a step every day

... **Love lift us up where we belong**

Where the eagles cry
On a mountain high
Love lift us up where we belong
Far from the world below
Up where the clear winds blow

... **Some hang on to used to be**

Live their lives looking behind
All we have is here and now
All our lives, out there to find

... **The road is long**

There are mountains in our way
But we climb a step every day

... **Love lift us up where we belong**

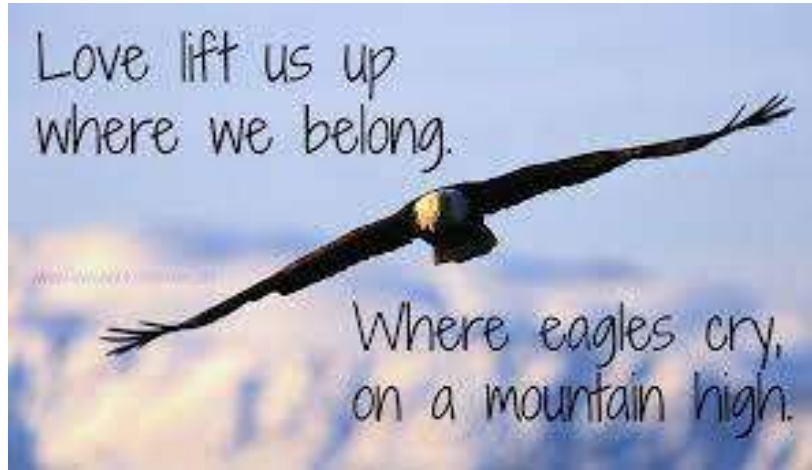
Where the eagles cry
On a mountain high
Love lift us up where we belong
Far from the world we know
Where the clear winds blow

... **Time goes by**

No time to cry
Life's you and I
Alive today

... **Love lift us up where we belong**

Where the eagles cry
On a mountain high
Love lift us up where we belong
Far from the world we know
Where the clear winds blow



Anniversary Song - Up Where We Belong

Song by Jennifer Warnes and Joe Cocker

... Love lift us up where we belong

Where the eagles cry

On a mountain high

Love lift us up where we belong

Source: [LyricFind](#)

Songwriters: Buffy Saint-Marie / Jack Nitzsche / Will Jennings

20 CELEBRATING OUR FOUNDERS: THE IMPORTANCE OF TRADITION AND VALUES.

TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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PRESENTS

EDUCATIONAL FORUM

**Transformative Education:
The Role of Technology and Cultural Diversity**

Monday, 2 oct 2023 | 2:00 pm-4:30 PM | TIS Sports Complex





TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

P R E S E N T S



PHILIP
ADZALE

MOG

DANI
MAKAFUI

GOSPEL EXPLOSION

SAT. 30TH - SEPT. 2023 | 6:30PM

SPORTS COMPLEX

Worship The Lord With Gladness, Come Before Him
With Joyful Songs. *Psalm 100:2*

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CAS Project – Code Red



Goes Reusable!

PLEASE DONATE to aid in the production of our own **reusable sanitary towels** to support girls in need.

Momo: **Abigail Ahiadorme-0543936488**

Reference code: **CODERED**

Hi everyone! I am Veronica Arthur here with Balma Naasr-Deen and we are the co-founders of **CODE RED**. Code Red started off as a Service as Action initiative to supply girls in our community with sanitary towels. We did some research and found out that the majority of them can't afford sanitary towels, so end up using unhygienic, and unconventional methods to deal with their blood flow. In that situation we were able to raise a large sum of money in which we bought and made donations to Tetteh Ocloo School of the Deaf. They were so grateful, and it was really humbling and amazing to see the appreciation they had,

and the genuine joy on their faces.

However, since our last significant outreach we've been doing some thinking and realised that although it was a good initiative, it was not sustainable. That's when we decided to go reusable! We thought it was a great idea to make reusable sanitary towels rather than donate them, as we are putting an end to the problem. The reusable sanitary towels can be used over and over and can even be used as a method for girls to practice hygiene, as there will be constant washing of the towels.

Last Christmas, during our Christmas Drive we donated 55 reusable kits. That was mind blowing and the young girls who received are using these kits till now. This new phase puts an end to the disposal of plastics which damages our environment, cuts out all costs, and begins the journey in the sustainable direction, and we are more than glad to be doing this with a supportive team. We intend to raise 20,000 Ghana cedis to be able to purchase all materials necessary for the production of the reusable sanitary towels. We are hoping to make over 200 kits. Without all that being said, we ask that you donate a generous amount to the number **on the flyer below**, so we can make this aspiration possible.

Inpir-Ed CAS Initiative



Dear Tema International School Community,

We are excited to announce a delicious and meaningful initiative that will be taking place at our upcoming school events through the anniversary EduForum and Durbar events. This event will bring a burst of flavour to our campus and contribute to a cause close to our hearts - supporting underprivileged children with their school needs. Boba tea is a delightful and popular beverage and is loved by many for its unique taste and texture. This love for boba inspired us to organise this event, combining enjoyment with a noble purpose. We realised that we have never brought Boba on campus, and we wanted to make a change.

Inpir-Ed CAS Initiative



Proceeds from this fundraiser will be dedicated to providing essential school supplies and educational resources to needy children.

Our fundraiser aims to make a meaningful difference in the lives of underprivileged students in **St.Gina Elementary School** by giving them the tools they need to succeed

in their education. We believe every child deserves an equal opportunity to learn and grow, and providing necessary school supplies is a step towards levelling the playing field.

By indulging in your favourite boba tea flavours at the event, you'll treat your taste buds and contribute to a brighter future for those less fortunate. Join us in this initiative and together, let's help make a positive impact in the lives of these deserving students.

We thank everyone in the Tema International School community for your continued support and enthusiasm. Together, we can ensure every child's educational journey is filled with hope, opportunity, and success. **Jaia Senyo & Katari Alhassan, G12.**



TISMUN preparation for GISMUN



Tema International School's Model United Nations (TISMUN) team is poised for success at the upcoming Ghana International School's Model United Nations (GISMUN) conference. With a strong tradition of excellence and recognition in Ghanaian MUN circles, TISMUN delegates are preparing diligently with thorough research and well-crafted position papers being at the forefront of our strategy to ensure the students bring well-informed perspectives and innovative solutions to the conference. Practice sessions and simulations have commenced to hone the delegates' negotiation and public speaking skills while engaging in diplomacy. Beyond competition, TISMUN embodies the true spirit of MUN, promoting diplomacy, leadership, and global citizenship, and with our aim to leave a lasting impact on the national MUN stage at GISMUN 2023.

Reflections

At a recent Model United Nations (MUN) meeting, we played a game where we had to suggest solutions to a global issue. It showed how diplomacy and cooperation can bridge differences. We debated passionately but respectfully, finding common ground. In the end, we created a resolution, emphasising collaboration and our shared responsibility for a better world. This MUN activity taught us the power of diplomacy and working together. **Chris Quarshie, G12.**

The MUN meeting was a very interesting and fun one. We got the chance to practise our resolution making skills, and had to present them to our General Secretary. It gave us the chance to work on our presentation skills and our ability to think on the spot. It was very useful for me, because it will help me prepare for the final MUN conference that will be held. We were also required to collaborate which I found to be insightful, because we all put our minds together to come up with new resolutions that have never been implemented before. I look forward to more MUN meetings in the coming weeks. **Kayla Searyoh, G11**









TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 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 demonstrate how we can make the world a better place through action and an understanding that success comes from helping others grow and becoming empowered.



EDUCATION FOR A BETTER WORLD

Thinking About the

QUESTIONS Thinking

to HELP STUDENTS THINK



@woodard_julie

Collaboration Questions

Who might be a good team player?

Who could I be helping with this?

Why was this mistake important?

Mistake Questions

What did that mistake just teach me?

Curiosity Questions

What do I wonder about? What am I curious about?

What would I like to explore? What intrigues me?

What do you think will happen?

What evidence do you have to support your thinking?

Prediction Questions

How is your prediction supported by prior knowledge?

Choice Questions

Which learning alternative do you think is the best direction for you?

How do you plan to share your knowledge from this lesson and learning opportunity?

What resources and tools available will be most helpful to you to support your learning?

Relationship Questions

How does the learning connect to previous knowledge?

What is your personal connection to the new learning?

How might this new knowledge help you to help others?

The **GOAL** of Questions.. it is not ^{always} about getting kids to answer; it's about getting kids to **THINK!!**

COUNSELLORS' CORNER







With so much to be thankful for in an atmosphere of praise, TIS has come this far by God's grace. Dear TIS, with a heart of gratitude we are appreciative to be partakers of the dream- TIS vision and values, Happy 20th Anniversary!!!



Team TIS: A Unique Family School with a Difference

Our Uniqueness.....

-  Academics is a non-negotiable currency, students strive to do their personal best, not average or mediocre.
-  CASSA magic harnesses each student's strength and abilities to the best of their intellect and creative prowess.
-  TIS provides an enabling, supportive environment for students to thrive.
-  A strong community built on love and kindness for students and staff.

ALUMNI

TIS 20TH ANNIVERSARY ALUMNI INVITATION

20 TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
20th Anniversary Celebrations

We cordially invite
Alumni
to

TIS @ 20 Sporty Family Day
Thursday 21 September, 2023 – 8:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: Rep your Colour Group

EduForum
Monday 2 October, 2023 – 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Preferred Dress Code: Formal

*Founders' Day Assembly -
The Beginnings (International Day)*
Tuesday 3 October, 2023 – 12:00 Noon
Preferred Dress Code: Diverse National Attire

Anniversary Durbar
Saturday 7 October, 2023 – 11:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: Anniversary Cloth

Anniversary Thanksgiving Service
Sunday 8 October, 2023 – 10:00 AM
Preferred Dress Code: White Attire

*VENUE FOR ALL EVENTS:
MAIN CAMPUS, SPORTS COMPLEX
RSVP: MRS. GINA ANAADI MENSAH
+233 24 649 2051

Dear Alumni,

We are counting on you for a successful event.

Thank you to all alumni who were present at last weeks' Sporty Family!

So far a good number of you will be coming for the Thanksgiving Service and other events in the coming week and months. Hope you will be there too.

For the Anniversary Durbar, we are expecting a good number of you.

Kindly reach out to Constance.Quaye@tis.edu.gh

if you will attend any of these special celebrations carefully put together ♥ with you in mind!!

Thank you!



COLLEGE VISITS

NAME OF UNIVERSITY ORGANISERS	LIST OF UNIVERSITIES IN ATTENDANCE	DATE & TIME	VENUE
WREN University Fair	SCAD UMASS Amherst UC Davis Babson NYU Abu Dhabi Indiana University, Bloomington Emerson College George Mason University of Johannesburg The New School	Tuesday 17 Oct. 2023, 4-5:15pm	TBD
SEC University Fair, USA	Auburn University University of Alabama University of Arkansas University of Florida University of Kentucky University of Missouri University of Mississippi University of South Carolina Louisiana State University	Monday 23 Oct. 2023, 2-4pm	TBD
University of Calgary, Canada	University of Calgary, Canada	TBD	TBD
University of Pecs, Hungary	University of Pecs, Hungary	TBD	TBD
Western University, Canada	Western University, Canada	TBD	TBD
New Zealand University partners and pathways	New Zealand University partners and pathways	TBD	TBD
University of British Columbia, Canada	University of British Columbia	TBD	TBD
McMaster University, Canada	McMaster University, Canada	TBD	TBD

**US PARENTS' INVITATION DINNER@ MOVENPICK
AMBASSADOR HOTEL-SUNDAY OCTOBER 15, 2022**



**PARENT RECEPTION
WITH U.S. UNIVERSITIES**

You are cordially invited to attend a parent reception
hosted by 8 U.S. universities.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023
15:00 PM**
Movenpick Ambassador Hotel
Independence Avenue, Ridge PMB CT 343, Cantonments, Accra
RSVP HERE

Representatives from the following universities will be present to provide a brief presentation on their institution as well as answer your questions:

Auburn University, University of Alabama, University of Arkansas, University of Kentucky, University of Missouri, University of Mississippi, University of South Carolina, and Louisiana State University



DEAR PARENTS, INTERESTED? RSVP RIGHT AWAY HERE:
https://lsu.formstack.com/forms/sec_ghana_parent_reception_2023

Guidance Lesson: MYP 2 LUXURY, COMFORT & BLISS



Whether you have a Maruti or a BMW, the road remains the same. Whether you travel economy class or business, your destination doesn't change. Whether you have a Titan or a Rolex, the time is the same. Whether you have an Apple, Samsung or Lava, people who call you remain the same. There is nothing wrong in dreaming a luxurious life. What needs to be taken care of is to not let the NEED become GREED. Because needs can always be met..but greed can never be fulfilled.

~ Rajinikanth

Introduction to the Lesson: Students were enlightened on the significance of Generational Blessings which they enjoy based on the families they are born into. In this regard, intentional appreciation and thankfulness are key. Students were taught to learn and cultivate the habit of being thankful to their parents and extended family for life's blessings by;

- Appreciating who they are
- Appreciating their parents, guardians, etc., who make life better for them in a positive way
- How best they can use these earthly resources profitably.

Enjoy reading a reflection from MYP2 Fahad Hussein

*“Today’s guidance lesson taught us about comfort, happiness, and luxury. This lesson emphasised the fact we should stay true to ourselves. Our environment should not affect us negatively and we should be surrounded by people who will change us not for the worse but for the better to help us in our life journey. When you notice that your friend, or the people you associate with, are not being influenced by you in a good way, you, being a good friend, should advise them to live a better life. If they don’t listen, walk away. In the last stages of our lesson, we read some quotes concerning our lesson. One I noticed was said by Steve Wentworth: **“If you text, call, visit and still get ignored, walk away. It’s called self-respect”** This means never beg someone to be in your life. Know your self-worth. The main component of the lesson talks about being grateful. Be content with what you have, and do not let your needs become greed. For example, your dad goes out of his way and makes space in his busy schedule to buy you a new laptop. When he comes to present it to you on your birthday, you throw a tantrum saying he got the wrong colour. What are you doing? People do not even have the money to buy the cheapest laptop and you are complaining while you got a brand new laptop? The lesson is to be happy and grateful for what you have”.*



A Week to Remember: Captured Moments EducationUSA Fair @ Movenpick Ambassador Hotel



It was all joy on Saturday 16 September 2023 at Movenpick Ambassador Hotel. With over 40 universities to interact with, students were thrilled to meet and interact with Admission Managers on a big platform.

Enjoy Reading Students' Reflections

"I was extremely excited to participate in the college fair this year, as I could not in DP1. My main goal for the event was to speak to Drexel University and Full Sail, which I was thankfully able to do. I was given very informative answers to all my questions about the school and was wholly satisfied by the end of the experience. I strongly suggest anyone interested in next year's fair should sign up for a wonderful time". Malyka Owusu, DP2

"Attending the university fair at Movenpick Hotel with my school was incredibly beneficial. Meeting university representatives from schools like Northeastern, Drexel, and Calvin provided me with crucial information. I learned about scholarships, admission requirements, student life, and other essential details to help me make informed decisions when searching for colleges. The fair allowed me to interact directly with representatives who answered my questions and clarified my doubts. It was an excellent opportunity to gather firsthand information and gain insights into each university's offerings. Scholarship details were precious, as they can significantly impact my education costs. Understanding the admission requirements and learning about student life on campus helped me envision my future college experience. Overall, this university fair was a vital step in my college search journey, giving me a clearer direction and confidence in making informed choices for my future education". ~Bradley Hoedoafia, DP2~



VISIT: Time with Alexis Fraser

Student Recruitment Specialist, International



TIS was excited to have the University of Calgary in a warm chat with prospective applicants. To know more about the school just click: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/>

Enjoy Reading a Reflection from Kow Yarney, DP2

The University of Calgary

Here you can transform your inspiration into impact.

"The University of Calgary visit not only broadened my horizons regarding the university itself but also painted a comprehensive picture of life in Alberta, potential job opportunities, and the academic programs available. Not only did I gain a clearer understanding of the local climate in Alberta, but I also had the opportunity to delve into the vibrant campus life and explore the diverse range of activities available, including sports and many clubs to choose from. Moreover, I gathered essential insights into the university's IB admission requirements and the enticing scholarship opportunities they offer. After speaking with Mrs Fraser, I also got more information on the computer science and engineering courses offered, which I wanted more clarity on. It was an enlightening experience that has left me with a strong impression of this institution and its offerings".

HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ The University of Calgary is a place to start something—a **career, a company, a new cure, or a new skill**. We're Canada's entrepreneurial university. Join us!
- ✓ We've been ranked amongst the world's top universities and we've done it by pushing our limits, challenging ourselves to do better, and seeking knowledge – wherever that journey takes us. <https://www.ucalgary.ca/future-students/undergraduate/experience>



**SCHOLARSHIP
AVAILABLE**

Award value

\$20,000 (Renewable)

Number of awards

2

Competition to apply for

High School Prestige Awards Competition

Required criteria

Student type: Undergraduate

Citizenship/residency: International

Faculty: Any

Year entering: 1st

<https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/awards/university-calgary-international-entrance-scholarship>

DP2s:



SAVE THE DATES!



SAT

2023- 2024 TEST DATES

- ✓ **DP1s don't wait until the eleventh hour to register.**



Want to Register for SAT But Don't Know How? Follow the Links!

- ✓ <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration>

Click here for more information <https://www.bestcolleges.com/test-prep/sat/registration/>

If having Troubles Registering contact Aunty Portia in person or by email at portia.atubiga@tis.edu.gh

DIGITAL SAT TEST DATES 2023/24

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
26 August 2023	August 11, 2023
7 October 2023	September 20, 2023
4 November 2023	October 18, 2023
10 December 2023	November 15, 2023
9 March 2024	February 2024 TBD
4 May 2024	April 2024 TBD



- ✓ SAT without essay \$103 – Online payment only with Visa/credit card. **NEW;** ACCEPTABLE IDs ARE THE VALID UNEXPIRED PASSPORT IN ADDITION TO GHANA'S NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD (GHANA CARD), AS OF AUGUST 2021 ONWARDS. <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/international/policies>



2023 TEST DATES (COMPUTER-BASED TESTING ONLY!)

- ✓ ACT Registration Fees (Online payments only: Visit www.actstudent.org): ACT Registration Fees \$171.50, with writing \$196.50 (Online payments only: Credit Card)
- ✓ (TIS Test Centre Code: 870390, but inform counsellor first).



- ✓ click: <https://global.act.org/content/global/en/products-and-services/the-act-non-us/registration.html>
***To complete registration, payment must be made online in full with a credit card.**
ACT April DEADLINE coming up. STEM students have an edge.

ACT TEST DATES 2023/24 (COMPUTER-BASED TESTING ONLY!)

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
15 April 2023	17 March 2023
10 June 2023	12, May 2023
9 September 2023	28 July 2023
28 October 2023	15 September 2023
10 December 2023	20 October 2023
13 April 2024	2 February 2024
8 June 2024	26 April 2024



TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL SPORT



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



EDUCATION FOR A BETTER WORLD

6 Principles Shaping the Future of Work



Be Open to Understanding New Technologies and Concepts



Use Mobile Phones for Interactions with Teams



Use Expressive Communication



Integrating Team Softwares for Ease of Collaboration



Create Prioritized and Personalized Messaging Between Teams



Connect Workplaces



STUDY IN OXFORD
INFO@OXFORD-IQ.ACADEMY

2024
COURSES

Oxford Essay Contest

<https://oxford-iq.academy/oxford-essay-contest-2024>



TIS INTEGRITY Code

“TIS, as a family school that provides unique experiences, embodies a spirit of integrity and respect for others which are central to the personal, academic and ethical development of each member.

As a TIS family member,

I promise to uphold and demonstrate its values, and protect the reputation of the school.

I make this pledge in the spirit of honour and trust.”



Tema International School

