# TIS RECORD

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#### At TIS,

we believe that integrity, or the lack of it, defines the individual and their reputation. We strive to display it as our badge of honour.

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#### Key Dates

- 9/12/23: ACT
- 12-14/12/23: Dukies expedition
- 13/12/23: Last day of semester: EOU#3 Celebrations (Primary School); Students may depart after 3-Way interviews (Secondary School).
- 15/1/24: Semester 2 commences

#### Thought for the Week

Relax. Your rumination, analysis, worry and need to control the future are robbing you of the current moment. Yes, there is a time for preparation but continually thinking of the future guarantees you will never enjoy in the present.

- James Clear



#### **Choices and Actions**

Opportunities and experiences: the second tipping point at TIS. We are also very proud of the opportunities we offer students each semester. There are plenty of opportunities for each student to experience.

Each student is different, so choices and actions are an individual decision. Students are encouraged to choose opportunities that will challenge themselves so that they can improve their skill sets. At a secondary school level, we encourage students to build on these experiences to enhance their personal profile for their university applications in Grade 12. This process should commence the day any student enters TIS.

The annual production, Dukies' expeditions, school event performances, Expression Day, Founders' Week events, ASAs, student leadership positions and service activities all provide a myriad of opportunities and are available to each student.



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

-Steve Bollar

#### No Annual Carols

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Climate change has disoriented Santa who is at the South Pole and not the North! There will be no Carols night as previously planned. Apologies.

#### **Making Us Proud**

The Ignite CAS project, at St. Nicholas Charity School Playground in Tema Newtown, has been successfully completed.

The project was initiated and led by Maadjoa Obeng-Nkansah, Maame Serwah Dabo, Ewuradjoa Obeng-Nkansah, and Nana Yaa Owusu-Manu, all in Grade 12. So, why do we have passengers? Students who do not want to challenge themselves? Is it parental pressure? Are there more important priorities? Are deadlines unreasonable? Is self-management the key factor?

How does your son or daughter demonstrate balance at TIS? What does their personal profile look like? How will this help your child when applying for university in Grade 12? Procrastination is a huge barrier to student performance. What is expected is students demonstrate a growth, rather than a fixed mindset to achieve and improve their personal best, consistently.

#### End of Semester Interviews

Wednesday, 13 December, will provide parents with an opportunity to discuss their child's performance over the semester. Secondary teachers will be available from 8.00am-1.00pm and 2.00-4.00pm at the Main Campus.

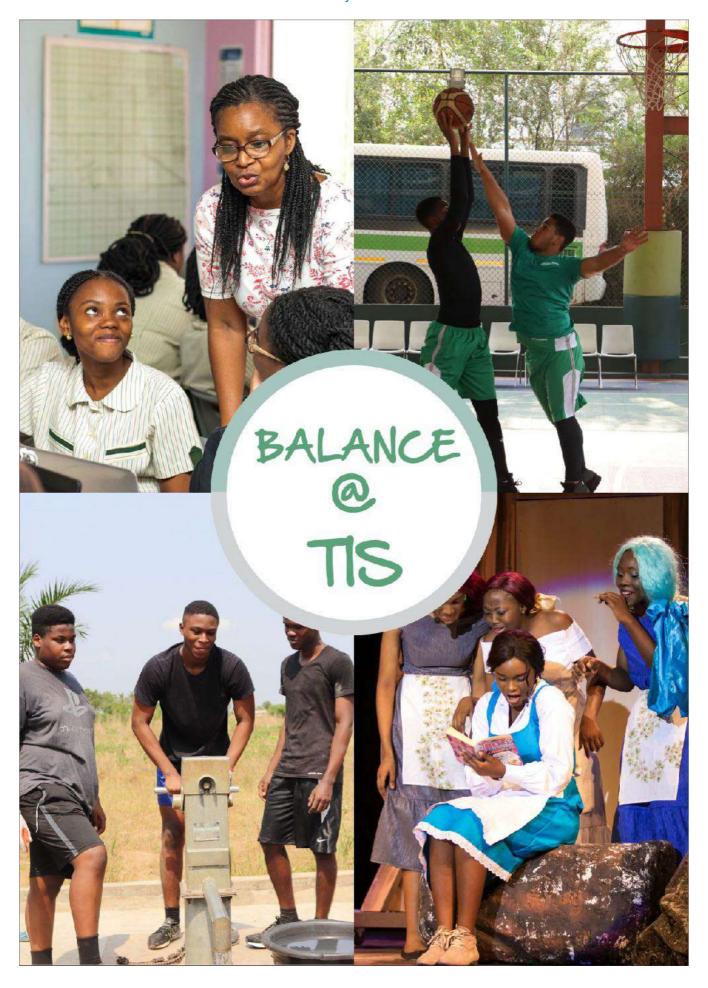
Student-led interviews will be conducted at the Primary School Campus as part of their End of Unit Celebrations.

Parents are requested to make the most of this opportunity.

I appreciate your support. Enjoy each day.

Dr Ken Darvall (Principal) principal@tis.edu.gh







# TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 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 disapointments.

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.

#### **Admissions 2024/2025**

Admissions for the next academic year are now open for the secondary school, Grades 7-12.

Priority for TIS family members ends on 1 December 2023.

The first round of admissions will be completed by 30 November. The second round will commence in February.

Prospective students are required to complete application forms online via <a href="https://tis.openapply.com">https://tis.openapply.com</a>

An application fee can be paid via ExpressPay, at the school or into the school's account. The account details can be found on the Bank Details page.

All prospective students will take an aptitude test that does not require special preparation. An interview would be conducted before a final decision is made. Parents will be informed of the outcome of the selection process.

Only candidates who have fully completed the application form will be contacted for the aptitude test and subsequent interview.

Prospective families are encouraged to *arrange a school tour before or during the application process*.

Early applications and admissions are encouraged. Late applications will be considered if vacancies exist.

Grades 7, 8 and 9 applicants will be required to provide three current term or two semester reports.

Applicants for Grade 11 will be required to provide three current term or two semester reports, predicted grades and a recommendation letter. When final results are released, applicants must attach a scanned copy on OpenApply. The release of final results will confirm subject selection levels (Standard or Higher).

After the completion of the Middle Years Programme (Grade 10), TIS students are expected to complete the IB Diploma Programme in Grades 11 and 12. They will make initial subject selection choices during the second semester of Grade 10. The release of examination results will confirm subject selection levels (Standard or Higher). Please note that students are generally not accepted into (Grades 10 and 12,

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#### **Tema International School**



#### **MAIN CAMPUS SECONDARY ADMISSIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR** FROM 3 OCTOBER 2023 UNTIL 31 MARCH 2024

A family school, a unique experience.

#### Flexible online admission testing is available

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

#### Grade 7 (MYP 2)

Students should:

- a) Have completed Primary 6.
- b) Be aged 11+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

#### Grade 8 (MYP 3)

Students should:

- a) Have completed JHS 1 or in JHS 2.
- b) Be aged 13+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude. test and interview.

#### To learn more scan this.



To enrol scan



#### Grade 9 (MYP 4)

Students should:

- a) Have completed Grade 8 or Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE).
- b) Be aged 14+(at the time of admission).
- c) Complete a general aptitude test and interview.

#### **Grade 11 (IB Diploma Programme)**

Students should:

- a) Have successfully completed MYP 5, the IGCSE (Or its equivalent) 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,

OCR, AQA).

The online application process can be completed at: <a href="https://tis.openapply.com">https://tis.openapply.com</a> For further information contact us on phone: +233 303 305134; +233 303 308737; email: admissions@tis.edu.gh

Or come and visit the school (Opp Afariwa Farms, Off Tema-Akosombo Road) www.tis.edu.gh

#### TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



Primary School Campus
Admissions Open For 2024/2025 Academic Year

Flexible admission screenings and interviews



#### **Entry Points in 2024**

#### Preschool

Kinder 1 (3-4 years) Kinder 2 (4-5 years) Kinder 3 (5-6 years)

#### **Junior Primary**

Grade 1 (5.5 - 7years) Grade 2 (6.5 - 8 years) Grade 3 (7.5 – 9 years)

#### **Senior Primary**

Grade 4 (8.5 -10 years) Grade 5 (9.5 years-11 years) Grade 6 (10.5 - 12 years)

All admission applications will be online via Open Apply: <a href="https://tis.openapply.com">https://tis.openapply.com</a>

A social readiness screening will be required, as part of the admission process, along with a compulsory interview with parents.

TIS is an IB World School, authorised to offer PYP, MYP and DP.

To learn more scan this.



To enrol scan this.



#### TIS ADMISSION PROCESS

#### **KEY QUESTIONS**

- ✓ Why does your child want to come to TIS?
- ✓ How will your child take advantage of the TIS experience?
- ✓ As a parent, why are you applying?

#### **DUE DILIGENCE**

- ✔ Go to tis.openapply.com
- ✓ Familiaise yourself with all aspects of the admisions
- ✓ Is this the right school for your child?

#### APPLICATION

- ✔ Go to: https://tis.openapply.com
- ✔ Complete an online admissions application and include all required
- ✓ Pay the application fee.

#### BOOK A TOUR OF TIS

- ✓ Allow 30-45 minutes for the tour.
- **✓** Be prepared to be surprised when you discover West Africa's best kept secret!

#### TEST AND INTERVIEW

- ✓ Your child will have to
- $\checkmark$  An online interview will be been completed.

#### APPLICATION DECISION

- ✓ If an admission offer is made, you will have 21 days to accept or decline the offer.
- ✓ Otherwise, you will be informed if your child has on the waiting list.

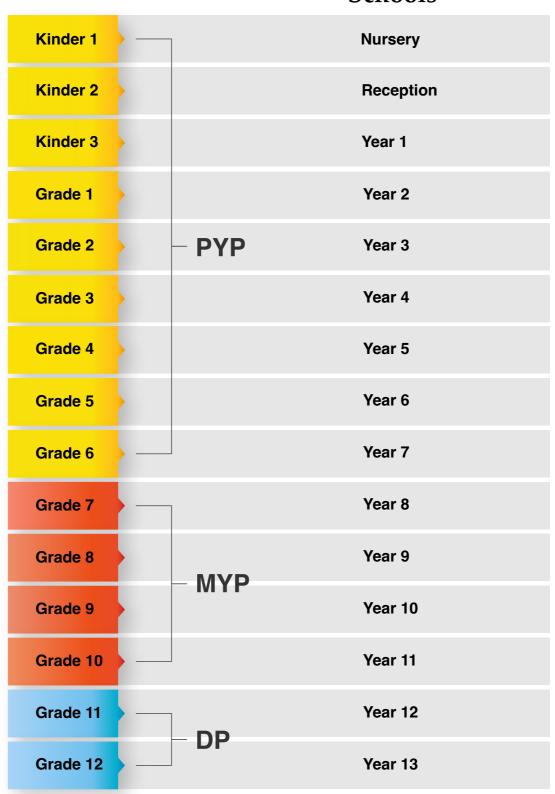
#### NEED HELP OR IF YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS

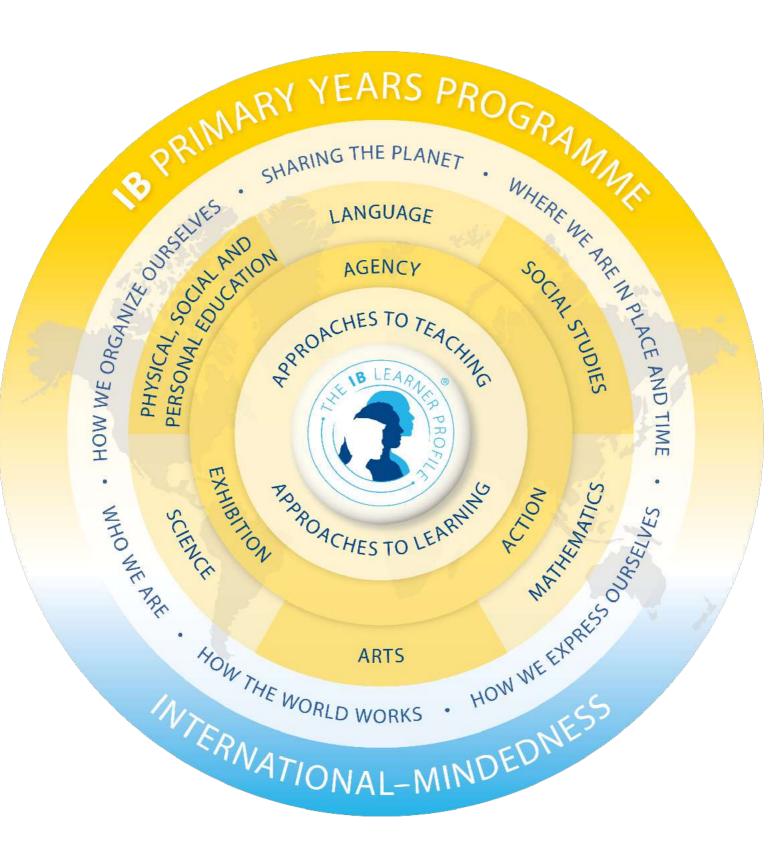
- ✓ Please email: admissions@tis.edu.gh
- ✔ Please call:
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#### **TIS Admissions Grade Chart**

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# **British Curriculum Schools**





#### TRANSCENDING THE 4 WALLS IN LEARNING AT TIS PRIMARY CAMPUS

Welcome to a realm where learning extends beyond traditional walls and textbooks. A realm where the great outdoors becomes a vibrant classroom for our students at Tema International School. In our quest to provide holistic education, we are excited to showcase the enriching experiences our students enjoy through Outdoor and Experiential Learning.

At Tema International School, we recognize that nature is a powerful teacher. It sparks curiosity, nurtures creativity, and provides a dynamic backdrop for a diverse range of learning experiences. Our commitment to Outdoor and Experiential Learning is grounded in the belief that the world is a classroom waiting to be explored.

Here's a glimpse into how our students embrace the outdoors to enrich their learning:

**Nature-Inspired Classrooms:** Our commitment to outdoor learning starts right on our campus. Many of our classrooms extend into nature, providing students with a unique and inspiring environment. Learning at Tema International School goes beyond traditional walls, from science experiments in our outdoor garden to literature circles under the shade of trees.



Learners in Grade 2 and Kinder 2 taking action to plant trees in the school garden.

Enriching Field Trips: Our students delve into enriching field trips that complement their units of inquiry. These excursions span local ecosystems, historical landmarks, and interactions with community experts. Each trip offers hands-on experiences, enriching their comprehension of the world. Whether exploring nature or engaging with history, these field trips bring their learning to life, fostering a deeper connection to their studies and the environment.



**Exploring History: A Field Trip to Kwame Nkrumah Mausoleum** 

In a captivating extension of their classroom learning, the eager learners of Grade 2 and Kinder 2 recently embarked on an educational field trip to two distinctive locations, the picturesque Tema Lagoon and the lush Aburi Botanical Garden. This expedition was designed to deepen their understanding of landforms, a focal point of their current academic unit. At Tema Lagoon, the students had the opportunity to witness firsthand the intricate interplay between land and water, observing the diverse land formations along the lagoon's shores. The journey continued to the Aburi Botanical Garden, where the natural splendour served as an outdoor classroom for exploring various landforms. This delightful journey also helped our learners in Kinder 2 to deepen their understanding of plants and their profound impact on both society and humanity.



**Learning Amidst Nature: Exploring Aburi Gardens** 

Adventure, Teamwork, and Resilience: At Tema International School Primary School campus, physical education is a transformative journey beyond typical exercise routines. Here, we redefine the ordinary into a vibrant platform where adventure, teamwork, and resilience thrive. Our students immerse themselves in outdoor activities not solely for physical fitness but as pathways to cultivate indispensable life skills. Through pursuits like team challenges, they learn collaboration, problem-solving, and perseverance, shaping them into adaptable individuals prepared for the complexities of life.



Fitness: A Fundamental Skill for Wellbeing

Swimming offers many benefits for kids beyond just splashing in the water. Not only does it serve as an enjoyable form of physical activity, but it also nurtures crucial life skills. It enhances cardiovascular health, strength, and flexibility while being gentle on growing bodies. Additionally, swimming fosters water safety awareness and builds confidence in aquatic environments. Moreover, it's a fantastic way to instil discipline, perseverance, and goal-setting as kids improve their strokes and endurance. Beyond the physical advantages, swimming promotes social interaction and teamwork, making it a holistic activity that contributes positively to a child's overall development.









**Fostering Resilience with Swimming** 

Experiential Learning: Experiential learning embodies the idea that hands-on experiences deeply enrich education. Take, for instance, our students participating in dental screenings—a prime example of this immersive approach. Rather than solely imparting theoretical knowledge about dental hygiene, these screenings offer a tangible, real-life encounter with the importance of oral health. Through their active involvement, students witness and actively engage in discussions about proper brushing techniques, preventive measures, and the significance of regular check-ups. This direct participation allows them to internalise these lessons, fostering a deeper understanding and a sense of personal responsibility towards their oral health. Experiential learning, as showcased in these screenings, not only educates but also empowers students to implement healthy practices in their daily lives.



**Grade 2 Learners Taking Action - Dental Screening** 

#### **Utilising the Environment as an Extended Classroom**

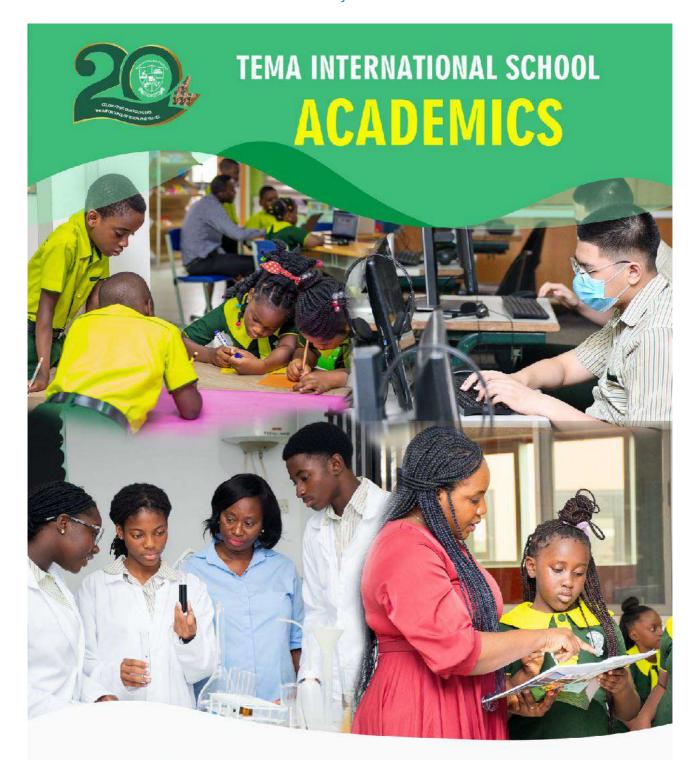
Tema International School redefines education by extending learning beyond classrooms, showcased vividly in the 20th Anniversary play, "The Prince of Egypt." Moving beyond the school premises, students embraced the National Theatre's grand stage, turning it into an expansive learning platform. This iconic venue wasn't just a stage; it became a dynamic classroom where students applied their creativity, breathing life into their skills and celebrating both the school's milestone and the fusion of learning with artistic expression.



Tema International School's Primary Campus redefines education by utilising nature-inspired classrooms, engaging field trips, and hands-on experiences to deepen students' understanding of the world. Physical education extends beyond fitness, instilling resilience and teamwork, while activities like swimming promote safety and social skills. Experiential learning practically empowers students, and unconventional spaces, such as the National Theatre's stage, demonstrate a commitment to dynamic learning, preparing students for a diverse world.



8 December 2023



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.



# Change the WOTLO Through Excellence

### #Make a Difference





#### 2023/24 TIS School Calendar Overview

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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)

ACT Test

Public Holidays	S						
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						
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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	20th 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	20th 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)						
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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				
15-23/5/24	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				
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22-25/7/24	Dukies' Gold Level expedition camp				

#### **TBD**

- Group 4 Project (G12)
   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

#### S2

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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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#### CAS-SA Corner Lighting of the Christmas Tree









In light of the cancellation of the Christmas Concert, we found a delightful alternative to illuminate the festive season. On Monday, 4 December, at 6:45 pm, we gathered at the main campus for the **inaugural lighting of our Christmas tree**. This heartwarming event was attended by students and staff on campus.

Misty, at the start of the event, took a moment to reflect on the significance of the Christmas tree. She emphasised that the presence of gift boxes or presents underneath the Christmas tree symbolises the spirit of goodwill that permeates this time of year. Misty encouraged everyone to consider this season an opportunity to extend acts of kindness and generosity to others.

Her words highlighted the deeper meaning behind the Christmas tree and the importance of spreading goodwill, light and hope, not only during the holiday season but throughout the year. As voices filled the air with melodious songs, we counted down in anticipation of the tree's radiant glow. It was a truly magical scene, with our beautiful metal tree adorned with lights and surrounded by three beautifully crafted angels. The ceremony was led by our dynamic and creative Anniversary leaders (Grade 11), whose enthusiasm and energy added to the moment's beauty.

This gathering served as a significant reminder of the true meaning of the season, marked by praise and prayer. We wish you all a wonderful season filled with love, light, and God's blessings.





#### **#MYP Community Project**

The demonstration of **Service as Action** within our immediate surroundings is known as the **Community Project.** This initiative allows students to exercise their roles and responsibilities by addressing authentic needs in the community.

At TIS, students form groups of 2-4 to identify a need and collaborate by brainstorming effective solutions. The current cohort has engaged in diverse ideas and is actively working together to achieve their common goals.

Please refer to the table below for details on this year's **Community Projects** undertaken by MYP 3 students:

Groups	Project Name	<b>Description / Global Context</b>	Location	Supervisor
PaaKwesi Oppan Kwaku Ayisi Lebene Biga Kyla Addo	Diversity	Collaboration with Longfield Academy - Kent, UK (Online newspaper sharing stories and information on both cultures)	Virtually	Grace Ameyibor
Sameera Rashid Efia Okompah	Project Old Shada	Donation of old Cloths to Safe them Young Orphanage	Golf City	Mr. Eric
Adrien Mate Philip Boahen	Creative Explorers	Donating Arts Stationary for children at Snuggles Montessori	Snuggles Montessori	Ms. Abigail
Princess Dzifo Gabriella Som	Watch your Six	Educating and creating awareness about Kidnapping – through presentations and Infographics	PYP Campus and Peak Lyceaum	Auntie Setor
Bryan Tamakloe Bryana Tamakloe Ewurama Fynn	Project Bloom	Afforestation – Tree Planting exercise with students at St Nicholas in collaboration with OK Foundation	St Nicholas New Town	Ms. Gilda
NanaYaa A. Boateng Marie Kufuor Derek Tenge	Servitude	Article writing on Child labor – Newspapers and School Bulletin	Print Media	Ms. Tay
Ewura Ocran Ewuraba Sarfo	Clean Genies	Organising 30packs of Toiletries and basic hygiene items for an orphanage	Save them Young	Ms. Fafa
Katie-Louise Assan Nabil Nassr-Deen Drew Mbavaya	Jumping words	Writing Stories for Dyslexia Children	African Dyslexia Organization	Mrs. King
Mamoud Archi- Fofanah Ambrose James	Kiddie Kindness Campaign (KKC)	Organise a story telling club and donation of story books	Save Them Young Orphanage	Mr. Tay

#### Diversity – Community Project

This initiative, spearheaded by Paa Kwesi Oppan, Lebene Biga, Kyla Addo, and Kwaku Ayisi, is a collaborative effort with an 8-member group from Longfield Academy in Kent, UK. The primary goal of this collaboration is to establish a Google Classroom/Doc platform to facilitate the creation of an online newspaper.

This digital publication will showcase a collection of articles, pictures and write-ups, providing insightful perspectives on Ghana's rich and diverse cultures and the United Kingdom. This collaborative effort provides an opportunity for cultural exchange and enhances the participants' digital literacy and teamwork skills. The team had their first virtual meeting last Monday and the following pointers were agreed to implement this collaboration.

- Create a Google doc and invite all collaborators and Teachers.
- Assign specific roles such as researchers, writers, editors, and designers from both Ghana and the UK.
- Teams or individuals will contribute their articles, writeups and insights to a shared document.
- Members will add multimedia elements to provide a more engaging experience.
- Establish clear deadlines for research, writing, editing and design phases.
- Once an edition is finalised, the team will publicise or share the newspaper with a broader audience through social media, school websites or community platforms.









#### Service as Action - Lyric of the Week



Feeling Merry? As we close the year, let the feeling of joy and gratitude resonate with you as you reflect on the lyrics of Micheal Buble song, "It beginning to look a lot like Christmas."

Be sure to check the bulletin and the main announcement board for updates on "Lyric of the Week." Find inspiration in the lyrics below



"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.

Soon the bells will start.

And the thing that'll make 'em ring is the carol that you sing

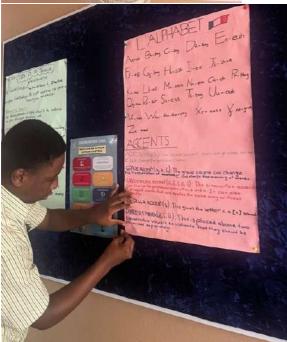
Right within your heart."

Samantha Arthur – G11

#### L'alphabet by David Manteaw – G9



A handwritten poster in French outlining the pronunciation of Alphabets with accents in French. This is to serve as a revision poster for all **Language Acquisition** students. Overall, it meant teaching TIS community to pronounce the French alphabet, including the letters with accents. As an IB community that is open-minded and surrounded by French-speaking countries, this exercise is a prudent and sure way to improve our pronunciation of French words.





#### Wiser Minds by BB - Anti-Social Personality Disorder

"Those who can't change their minds can't change anything." George Bernard Shaw, Irish playwright and critic

When people think of the term 'Antisocial Personality Disorder', they automatically begin to picture someone who is literally antisocial. This disorder has also been referred to as



psychopathy, sociopathy, or dyssocial personality disorder. Contrary to popular belief, having antisocial personality disorder has no direct link with other mental disorders that might make someone antisocial, e.g. Social Anxiety.

Antisocial Personality Disorder(ASPD) is usually diagnosed by a pervasive and continuous pattern of disregard and violation of the rights of others, along with symptoms of irritability, deceitfulness, manipulation and impulsivity. It is important to note that one can only be diagnosed after 18 (the behavioural patterns should have been occurring since 15 years of age)

Symptoms of ASPD vary from person to person and severity level. However, diagnostic symptoms of ASPD include but are not limited to, impulsivity or failure to

plan, irritability, deceitfulness and lack of remorse. The direct cause of ASPD is unknown, but genetic and environmental factors are believed to contribute to the development of ASPD.

Deceit and manipulation are central features of ASPD, but it is also essential to note that while they *can* hurt others, this isn't always the case. Having ASPD does not automatically make someone a bad person. ASPD is also commonly related to violence, but in actuality, not all people who live with ASPD act in violent ways. It is unlikely for someone with ASPD to injure anyone around them as they are still very conscious of themselves.

The reason ASPD is so hard to treat is that people with ASPD generally do not see themselves as any different than anyone else and tend not to see their behaviour as harmful. They have difficulty being aware of their mental state (or 'harmful' thought processes). This explains why some persons with ASPD find it difficult to consider the perspectives of others, sympathise or empathise. It is common for them to say, for example.

'This boy crying in front of me makes me extremely irritated."

'I don't understand why you're sad.'

'Why this overt display of emotions'

To accommodate someone with ASPD, learn more about this disorder to identify symptoms. Take action by encouraging them to get therapy from licensed professionals, and the intensity typically decreases with age. **Brianna Boateng – G10** 



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## SERVICE AS ACTION OPPORTUNITIES

#### Classroom Unit



e.g., Calculating an Area within the campus or calculating the food left over from Dinning.

#### NGOs and Organizations



e.g., E.g., Children Heart Foundation, Empower Playground, Plastic Punch, Infanta Malaria, UNCHR etc.

#### **ASA with Service Components**



e.g., Interact Club, Peer Buddies, Insight TV & Photography Club.

#### Students Leadership



Class Representative



#### UN Sustainable Development Goals

#### SUSTAINABLE GOALS

e.g., Zero Hunger, Quality Education, Good Health & Wellbeing, Gender Equality, No Poverty, Clean Water & Sanitation, Life below Water, Climate Action, Reduced Inequalities etc

#### **Assembly Meetings**



e.g., Presentation about a Cause

#### **International Days**



e.g., World Autism Day, International Women's' Day, Teachers Day

#### TIS Record



e.g., Article writing for publish in the School Bulletin

#### Peer Tutoring and Peer Buddy System



e.g., Article writing for publish in the School Bulletin

#### "Support the 'Transforming Lives' Project By purchasing TIS @ 20 Souvenirs".

**Suppose** you missed the opportunity to purchase our anniversary souvenirs during past events; worry not. You can contact Gina at (+233 24 649 2051) to place your orders, and Auntie Nora will ensure they are sent to you.



By buying our TIS @ 20 souvenirs, you'll actively support our "Transforming Lives" project. Our goal is to raise funds for corrective surgery for babies with Anorectal Malformation and to provide the Korle Bu Teaching Hospital Pediatric Center with an Ultrasound Machine.



Our product range includes Tissue Boxes, Umbrellas, Personalized Tshirts, Water Bottles/Coffee Cups, USB Drives and Wrist Bands. Please find the items and their respective prices below:

Tissue Box: 60 cedis

Water bottle/coffee cup: 100 cedis

USB Drives: 150 cedis Umbrella: 100 cedis Polo Shirts: 120 cedis Wrist Bands: 20 cedis

Every purchase you make directly contributes to the "**Transforming Lives**" **project.** Together, we can create a meaningful impact. Thank you for your generous support. Place your order with Auntie Nora at +233 246130828 - Remember, it's a limited edition.

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**IB CLASS OF 2025 PRESENTS** 

# "TRANSFORMING LIVES CAS PROJECT" DONATE TODAY!

- 1 Corrective Surgery: Give Infants with Anorectal Malformation a Chance at Life.
- 2 Medical Equipment: Support the Korle-Bu Pediatric Centre, Surgery Unit with an Ultrasound Machine.
- 3 Raise Awareness: Educate communities about Anorectal Malformation for early intervention.

Your donation can make a difference. Join our campaign now!

CAS MOMO No. - 0597621047 - Abigail Ahiadorme | Ref.: Class of 2025 CAS Project
TIS Bank Accounts - Absa & Ecobank | Purchase our Anniversary Souvenirs.

Purchase a ticket to The Prince of Egypt Musical | Sponsor a child.





























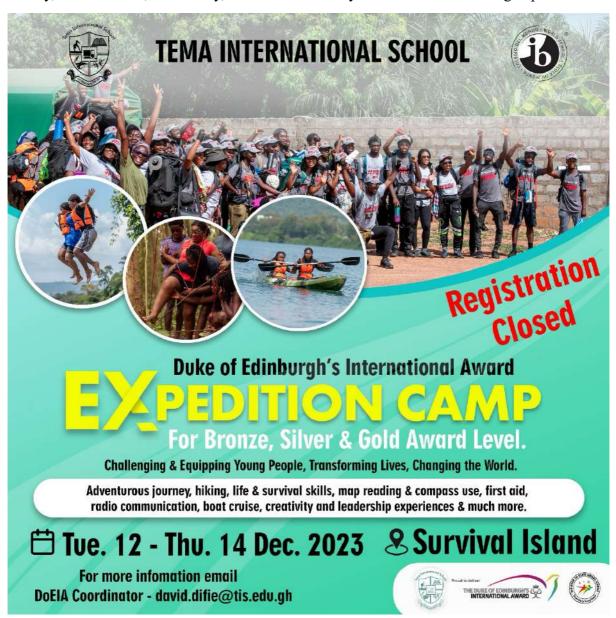
#### Important Update: DoEIA Expedition Camp Registration Closed

Dear Participants, Congratulations to the 46 dedicated individuals from **bronze**, **silver**, **and gold levels** who have registered for the **Duke of Edinburgh International Award Expedition** Camp.

This camp offers a truly unique opportunity for personal growth, collaboration, self-discovery, and fulfilling the requirements for both the **Duke of Edinburgh International Award** and CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service). We firmly believe that this experience has the potential to be truly transformative.

Now, it's time to prepare for this exciting adventure by ensuring you have all the necessary items from your **kit list.** Be ready to embrace what promises to be the adventure of a lifetime. We eagerly anticipate your presence on Saturday, 9 December, for the debriefing session at the Project Centre after dinner.

As a reminder, please note that the camp dates have been adjusted, and the new dates are from Sunday, 10 December, to Tuesday, 12 December. See you for another enriching experience.





#### **Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award Presentation Announcement**



We are delighted to share some exciting news regarding the **Duke of Edinburgh International Award** (**DoEIA**) program at Tema International School. Since 2018, TIS has been a proud centre for the DoEIA, providing students with opportunities for personal growth and development.

Each year, the **Head Of State Award Scheme (HOSA)** organises a prestigious Gold Award presentation to honour students who have achieved the Gold level. We are thrilled to announce that this year, a total of 31 Grade 12 students and one TIS alumni have earned the coveted **Gold Award**.

The **Gold Award Presentation** will be held under the theme "Nurturing leaders for a thriving future," reflecting our commitment to nurturing outstanding leaders within our school community. Here are the event details:

Date: Friday, 15th December 2023

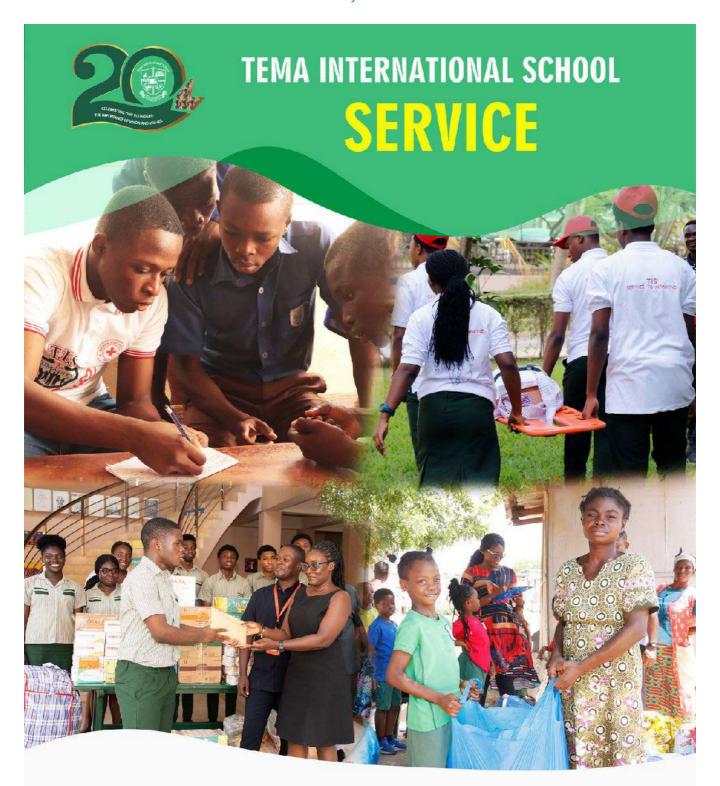
• Venue: Jubilee House

• Time: 5:00 pm

We are privileged to have His Excellency Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, the President of the Republic of Ghana and Chief Patron of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, as our guest of honour for the ceremony.

Please be aware that **Tema International School does NOT coordinate the Gold Award Presentation**; it is exclusively hosted and organised by the **Head of State Award Scheme (HOSA)**. Attendance at this event is strictly by invitation. Detailed information and invitations will be directly provided to each participant by **HOSA**.

Join us in congratulating our exceptional students on this remarkable achievement, and let us look forward to celebrating their success at this prestigious event.



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



# Change the World Through Service

### #Make a Difference





#### **COUNSELLORS' CORNER**



The symbols of Christmas are love, unity, peace and joy! Let's enjoy this well deserved break with our families and loved ones and resume in January 2024 with great additions and multiplications into the future with a deep analytic introspection and reflections of ourselves, our immediate environment for positive change and impact! Come Revamped! Refreshed! and Anew!

DP2s: FAFSA Online Financial Aid Form is Opened

For US Citizens Only



Click here: <a href="https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa">https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa</a>
DP2s who are American citizens and their parents must create FAFSA accounts & apply for Federal aid right away. Don't be late for free money!



### BRAGGING RIGHTS: Congratulations to all DP2s who have received university offers so far!

#### **USA**

Denison University
Marymount Manhattan College
University of Arizona
University of Miami
University of Delaware
Denison University

Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) Concordia College Moorhead Rutgers University

#### **HUNGARY**

University of Debrecen Medical School

#### UK

University of Birmingham
Nottingham Trent University
University of Kent
University of Coventry
University of Bradford
University of Manchester
Birmingham City University
University of Plymouth
Robert Gordon University
University of Essex

#### **CANADA**

Lakehead University University of Calgary Trent University Nottingham Trent University
University of East Anglia
University of Reading
University of Dundee
University of Leicester
University of Sheffield
Newcastle University
University of Huddersfield

University of Guelph Wilfrid Laurier University York University



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PLEASE JOIN US AT 1:30PM

PROMPT ON WEDNESDAY, 13 DECEMBER, TO MEET BRIEFLY WITH UNIV. OF WATERLOO, CANADA ADMISSIONS OFFICER- MS. AKUA ANIM ASARE, BEFORE HEADING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS!

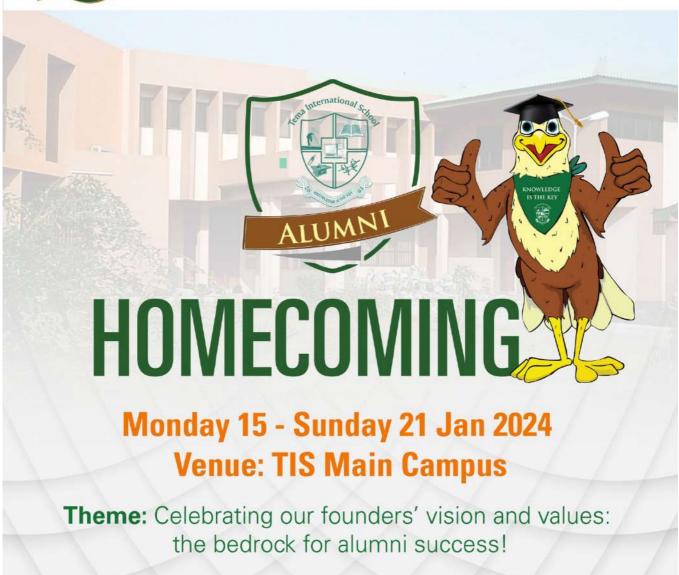


TIS @20 AN UNFORGETTABLE ALUMNI WEEK OF CELEBRATIONS WITH POWER PACKED MEMORIES FILLED WITH ECSTASY AND ESCAPADE. JOIN US!



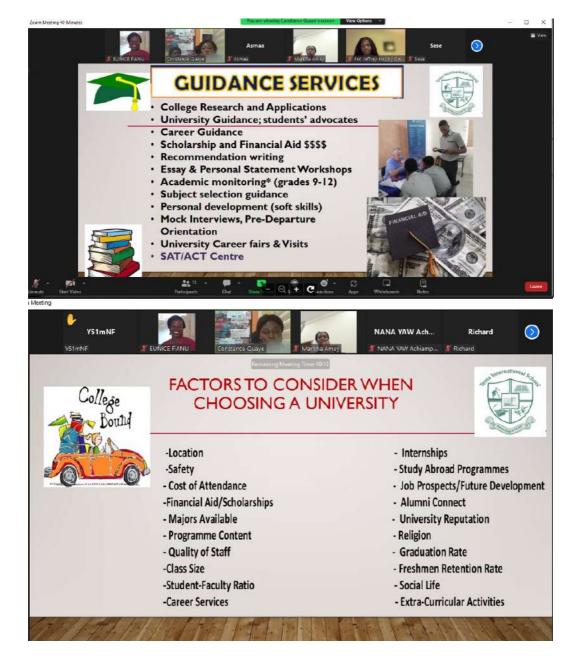
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COMPLEX PROCESS

DP1 On-going Virtual Parents Session: Navigating the University Application Process with the Indefatigable University Guides! See below a picture from the meeting. For all DP1 parents who missed the various sessions, our last recap meeting is scheduled for Monday 11 December 2023 @11am. Please See Managebac for full details including zoom link.





To our cherished parents who were able to join and participate in the meeting, we are grateful for your time!~Thank you~





**Detailed Information is on ManageBac**: Meto an online meeting place ("meetow", Latin for "gather") is a nonprofit group that exists to increase access to higher education for African students at scale. Meto's online "meeting place" allows African students to connect efficiently and impactfully with well-fit colleges, scholarship programs, and application mentors. With about 300 universities and scholarship programs worldwide, from South Africa, US, UK, Hong Kong, Germany, Netherlands. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfqpreWJgxSS6RU5t6M5heK YS9lt9">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfqpreWJgxSS6RU5t6M5heK YS9lt9</a> <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfqpreWJgxSS6RU5t6M5heK YS9lt9">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSfqpreWJgx



TIS was thrilled to have Georgina and Lucy Meena share major insights on the **Rise SCHOLARSHIPS**, Application Mode and many other excellent opportunities to students.



Each application cycle, Rise invites 15-17 year olds worldwide to participate in the Rise Challenge. From the Finalists, Rise selects up to 100 Rise Global Winners to provide opportunities for life as they work to serve others. Here, you can learn a little bit more about the Rise Global Winners. Interested applicants are strongly encouraged to apply: <a href="https://www.risefortheworld.org/global-winners">https://www.risefortheworld.org/global-winners</a>

#### SUMMER PROGRAMMES A FANTASTIC ADDITION TO LEARNING.

#### **CHECK IT OUT! JUST FOR YOU!**



- Ashesi University, AIX Summer Programme, Berekuso, Ghana
- The Yale Young Global Scholars Summer programme (YYGS) USA only.
- Oxford Scholastica Summer Programme, UK
- Savannah College Of Art And Design (SCAD), USA.



#### **University, AIX Summer Programme**

# It's Ashesi, before Ashesi Participants in the Ashesi innovation Experience get to experience our high-impact teaching and learning model, working hand-in-hand with Ashesi students and faculty on projects and ideas. The programme curriculum teaches foundational skills in design thinking and problem-solving, leadership and teamwork, and communication. Students will also get to choose between four additional skills pathways-in Robotics, Engineering, the Creative Arts, and Entrepreneurship. See Curriculum



#### Innovation Experience About AIX Curriculum Overview

#### At Ashesi, A Lot Can Happen in Two Weeks

The Ashesi Innovation Experience is an intensive and exciting two-week enrichment program developed by faculty at Ashesi for senior high school students between the ages of 15 and 19. AIX expands the vision and aims of participants, and inspires, challenges, and equips them with skills for innovating in the 21st Century.

The programme builds foundational skills in Leadership, Design, Entrepreneurship, Robotics, Creative Arts, and Engineering. In 2023, AIX will take place from 23rd July to 6th August. Deadline for applying is May 15th.

Click here for more information on registration and more: <a href="https://www.ashesi.edu.gh/admissions/innovation-experience.html">https://www.ashesi.edu.gh/admissions/innovation-experience.html</a>

The Yale Summer Programme: The YYGS USA, Only

#### Yale Young Global Scholars



#### THE YYGS APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN!

YYGS is excited to offer residential sessions for June, July, & August 2024, and you can learn more about <u>how to apply</u> on our website. Please know that we are not offering online sessions at this time. **Our application deadline is January 10, 2024.** 

For an opportunity to learn more about our program and speak with YYGS staff and alumni, register for our <u>webinar series</u>.

#### INSPIRED MINDS, GLOBAL CONNECTIONS.

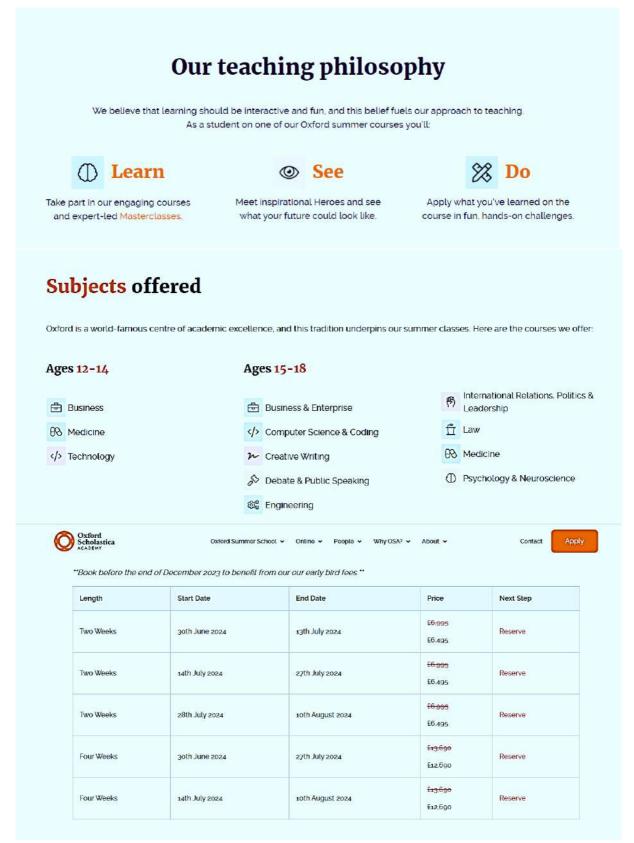
Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS) is an academic enrichment program for outstanding high school students from around the world. Each summer, students from over 150 countries (including all 50 U.S. states) participate in one interdisciplinary, two-week session at Yale's historic campus. Immerse yourself in a global learning community at Yale University.

Click here for more information and registration and more: <a href="https://globalscholars.yale.edu/?https://globalscholars.yale.edu/&gclid=EAIaIQobChMIjOKlxun8ggMV-pRoCR3BPANmEAAYASAAEgJzfPD">https://globalscholars.yale.edu/&gclid=EAIaIQobChMIjOKlxun8ggMV-pRoCR3BPANmEAAYASAAEgJzfPD</a> BwE



#### Oxford Scholastica Summer Programme, UK





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#### Savannah College Of Art And Design (SCAD), USA



#### Atlanta sessions

Session 1: June 23-28, 2024 Session 2: July 7-12, 2024 Session 3: July 14-19, 2024

#### Savannah sessions

Session 1: June 23-28, 2024 Session 2: July 7-12, 2024 Session 3: July 14-19, 2024 Session 4: July 21-26, 2024

#### Pre-college programs

Pre-college programs

SCAD Rising Star

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Workshops

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#### **SCAD Summer Seminars**

SCAD Summer Seminars offers workshops for current high school first-year, sophomore, and junior students in high school for the 2023–2024 school year. Participants gain valuable educational experience while developing their creative vision through intriguing art and design assignments and projects.

Participants attend workshops and have an all-access pass to the university's extensive resources and libraries. Workshops may include demonstrations, lectures, studio work, and local field trips, and are taught by SCAD professors, alumni, or select graduate students. To provide maximum individual attention and collaborative interaction between participants and instructors, class size is small, with generally 20 or fewer participants in each workshop. Organized daily social and cultural activities create an authentic experience of life as a student at SCAD.

Click here for more information on fees and registration: <a href="https://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-programs/scad-summer-seminars">https://www.scad.edu/academics/pre-college-programs/scad-summer-seminars</a>





#### 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!

✓ <a href="https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration">https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/registration</a>

Click here for more information <a href="https://www.bestcolleges.com/test-prep/sat/registration/">https://www.bestcolleges.com/test-prep/sat/registration/</a>
If having Troubles Registering contact Aunty Portia in person or by email at <a href="mailto:portia.atubiga@tis.edu.gh">portia.atubiga@tis.edu.gh</a>

#### **DIGITAL SAT TEST DATES 2023/24**

TEST DATE	REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
4 November 2023	<del>October 18, 2023</del>
<del>2 December 2023</del>	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/policiess

### **ACT** 2023 TEST DATES (COMPUTER-BASED TESTING ONLY!)

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

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\*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!)**

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT DEADLINE
15 September 2023
17 November 2023 (late with a fee)
2 February 2024
26 April 2024



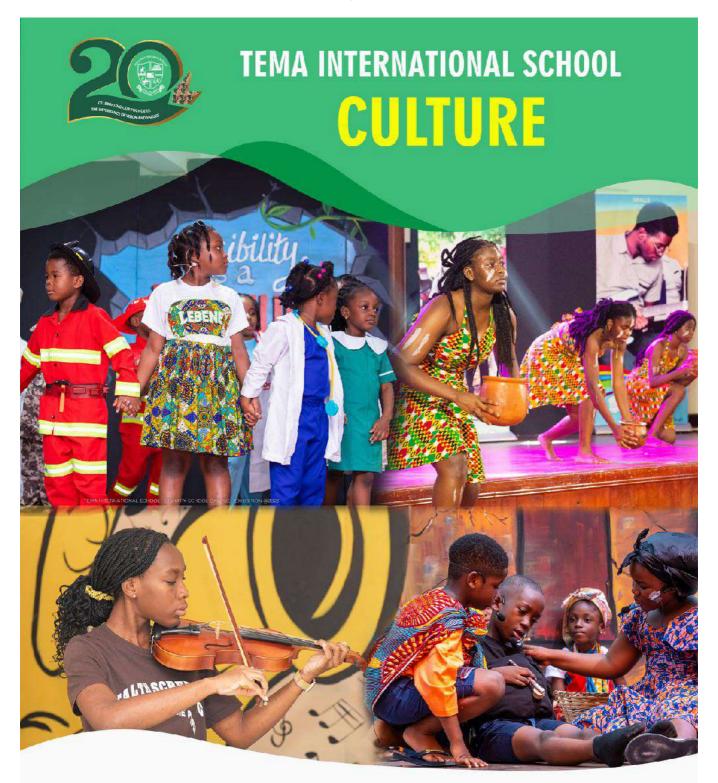
Christmas came in early at TIS!!! Our beautiful, colourful serene campus filled with love!! This festive, enjoy the great tidings of Christmas!!







Dear DP2s, the University Guides will be closed for Christmas Break from 15 December 2023 and resume on 11 January 2024. Our sincere thanks to all our students who applied themselves to the process and worked within our timelines. You are the best!!!



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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## 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.



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

**Take responsibility** for your own actions and their consequences.

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















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.

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

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

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

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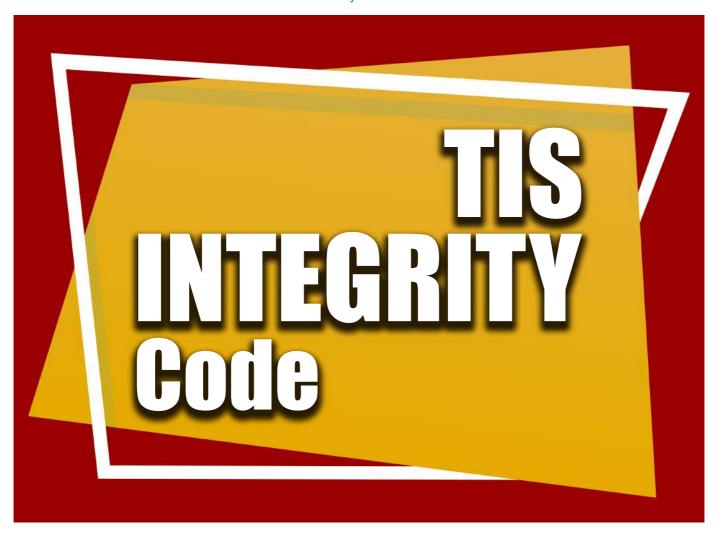
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"TIS, as a family school that provides unique experiences, embodies a spirit of integrity and respect for others which are central to the personal, academic and ethical development of each member.

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."





