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

- 25/4-21/5/25: DP final exams

- 3/5/25: SAT

- 5-16/5/25: MYP5 final eAssessments

- 19-30/11/25: G11 S2 exams

Thought for the Week

Every time you're tempted to slack off or do or be a little less than you could, remember you are a person of integrity who lives by the simple creed: do what you said you would do, when you said you would do it, the way you said you would do it.

- Larry Winget



The Time Cometh

Next Tuesday afternoon, 29 April, TIS students will commence their first papers in their final DP exams.

Physics, and Sports, Exercise & Health Science students are the lucky first students.

Our Grade 12 students have focused on maximising their study breaks and revision strategies to ensure the best outcomes.

As DP final exams remain pen-and-paper tests, these students have been encouraged to practise writing responses for a specific period of time to replicate the real thing. By doing so, they are trying to maximise their exam session and hand strength for periods of time since they normally use their laptops to complete their tasks on a daily basis.



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

-Steve Bollar

Making Us Proud

Ashanti Tettey-Amlalo, a Grade 6 PYP Student and School Council President, demonstrated great leadership by advocating for a Leavers' Day celebration for her classmates and the entire school.

Ethan Aboagye, a Kinder 3 student, showed great responsibility by ensuring students did not waste water while washing their hands during the lunch break

Visiting: Must Do

- Do not bring too much food! Take home what is not consumed.
- 2. **Park at the Main Entrance**, (not at the Hostel Gate entrance).
- 3. Cancel your booking if you are not coming.
- 4. Only book once for a weekend.

Reminders

• For visits this semester, parents must book their visits online. Please go to: https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/q8q3x

Please keep these students in your thoughts and prayers so they can complete their exam sessions confidently and without hassles.

G12, make the most of this opportunity to excel.

Read and Take Action(Before Deadlines))

Students and their parents must read the weekly TIS Bulletin and take action when required before any given deadline. The best time to take action is always now because tomorrow is often an excuse.

SAT and ACT issues, Dukies expeditions, summer schools, and remaining at school on breaks have caused problems for students and their parents this year, when delayed action has only occurred after a deadline. Disappointment is usually the outcome.

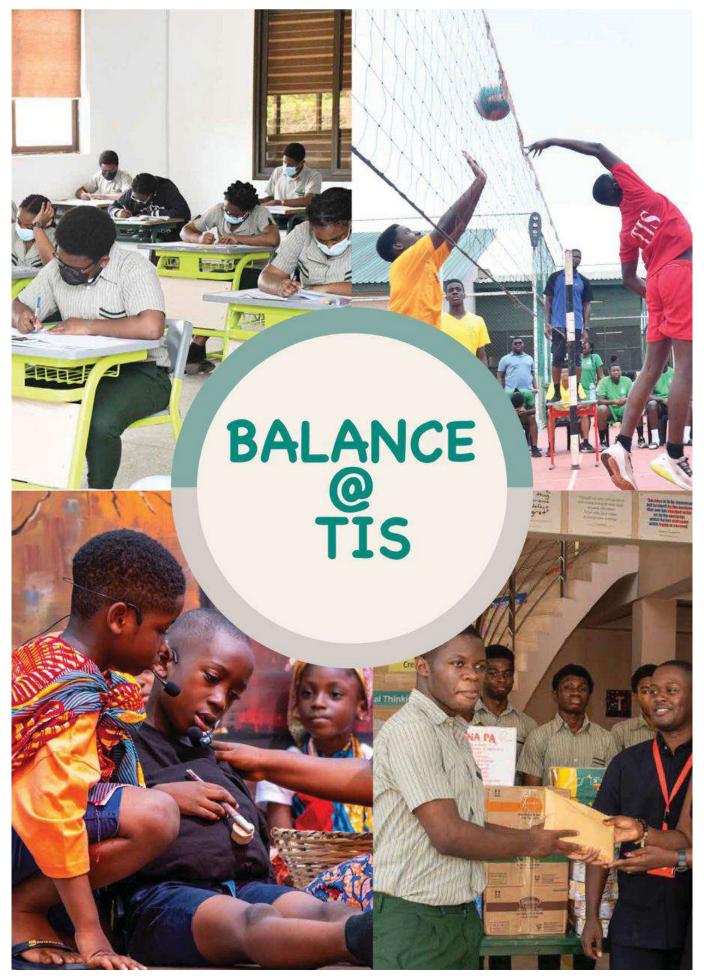
Unfortunately, students create their own problems when they miss critical deadlines, such as IAs, Personal Project, CAS and Extended Essays.

Avoid disappointment. Observe deadlines.

I appreciate your support. Enjoy each day as a blessing.

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





Main Campus Information



Exeats

Exeats for secondary school students cover passport and visa matters, family events, as well as medical, dental, optical and medical appointments.

Students are allowed a maximum of 8 days per semester. Note: A weekend exeat that commences on Friday and ends on Sunday counts as three days.

For a weekend exeat, students must return by 5.00pm on the Sunday.

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 approved exeat from their phone to security to enter.

(NO SHOW. NO GO.)

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

Families should plan their exeat requests carefully to avoid any disappointment.

Visiting

For visits until June 2025, parents will be required to book their visit online.

Please go to: https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/q8q3x

Complete your details and click next to select your day and time.

Then click next to receive a confirmation of your booking.

If you do not receive confirmation of the date and time, then you have not completed your booking.

Weekend times will usually go from 2.00 - 5.00pm on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

Sessions are 60 minutes.

Only one booking per family per weekend.

There are restrictions on food and/or drink that may be consumed during a visit. Book early to avoid disappointment.

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TIS 2024/25 School Calendar

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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)

NOTE: All dates/activities are current as of the date of publication and may be subject to change.

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9-10/1/25	Staff training days
12/1/25	Students return to hostels; applications for 2024 SC positions close
13/1/25	Second semester commences.
13-19/1/25	Alumni Homecoming Week
18/1/25	TIS Athletics Championships. NO EXEATS BEFORE 1.00PM
19/1/25	Alumni Thanksgiving Service
20/1/25	SC Manifesto Readings
22/1/25	2025 Student Council elections by voting (7.00am-4.00pm)
25/1/25	ISSAG Basketball and Hockey.
29-31/1/25	IDU Days; G12 EE; G11 EE, 11/12 CAS Dukies Reflection Day
1/2/25	SC Leadership Camp NO EXEATS FOR SCHOOL LEADERS; ISSAG Basketball Day 2
2/2/25	Student Leadership Induction Ceremony NO EXEATS
10-14/2/25	MYP Mock eAssessments NO G10 EXEATS
13/2/25	G11 TOK Exhibition. NO G11 EXEATS
14-15/2/25	TIS Squash Championships;
15/2/25	Chocolate Friendship Day
17-28/2/25	DP Mocks. NO G12 EXEATS
22/2/25	ISSAG Athletics
26/2/25	PP standardisation and moderation (teachers)
1/3/25	MYP Projects (Personal & Community) NO EXEATS (until after this session)
7/3/25	PYP/MYP Info Day at Main Campus
14/3/25	Pi Day
15/3/25	Expression Day NO EXEATS (until after the event)
19/3/25	Three-way interviews: Students may depart for the break AFTER interviews
20-21/3/25	DP Geography Field Trip
20-21/3/25	Mid-semester break (Students return to hostels on 1/4/25)
21/3/25	PP:Academic Honesty First Record
23-25/3/25	Dukies Bronze & Silver expedition camp
31/3/25	PP Criterion A draft due; Draft 2025/2026 Calendar Overview Released
2/4/25	Classes recommence after mid-semester
5/4/25	ACT
6/4/25	Exam Candidates' Service NO EXEATS C12 Crad rhotes (All day) NO C12 EXEATS
7/4/25	G12 Grad photos (All day). NO G12 EXEATS
12/4/25 17.21/4/25	Peer Buddies Workshop Easter break
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25/4-21/5/25	DP Final Exams
3/5/25	SAT
5/5/25	PP Criterion A final due
5 – 16/5/25	MYP eAssessments
16-27/5/25	G11 semester exams
17-31/5/25	G10 Exam break (Students must return to hostels on 1/6/25)
21-27/5/25	G9 eAssessments
24/5/25	Leavers' Dinner
30/5/25	MYP4 (2025/2026) subject selections
7/6/25	2025 Annual Achievement and Graduation Ceremony; Last day for Secondary Classes
13/6/25	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published.
14/6/25	ACT
20-29/6/25	Harvard Youth Leadership Summer Camp
21/6/25	France/Spain trips commence
12/7/25	France/Spain trips end
26/7/25	PP: Final Product (Photo evidence upload)

PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMPUS

Public Holidays

4/8/24	Founders' Day
21/9/24	Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Day
7/12/24	Farmers' Day
7/1/25	Constitution Day
6/3/25	Independence Day
31/3/25	Eid Al Fitr (TBC)
18/4/25	Good Friday
20/4/25	Easter Monday
1/5/25	Labour Day

S1 Internal Dates (Primary School Campus)

7/8/24	Staff prep commences
16/8/24	Meet the teacher session (1.30pm)
19/8/24	First semester commences
7/9/24	Parents Training Session
20/9/24	Sign Language Day
20/9/24	End of UOI #1 3WI
7-11/10/24	Mid-semester break
1/11/24	End of UOI #2 Celebrations
11/11/24	Book Day
22/11/24	G3&5 excursion
29/11/24	End of UOI #3 3WI
3/12/24	Last day for students and teachers

Staff Training Days

S2

9-10/1/25

13/1/25	Second semester commences.
14/2/25	End of UOI #4 3WI
14/2/25	Celebrating Additional Languages
7/3/25	PYP/MYP Info Day at Main Campus
14/3/25	Mother Tongue Day (Celebrating Culture)
14/3/25	End of UOI #5 Celebrations
19/3-1/4/25	Mid-semester break
2/4/25	Classes resume after mid-semester
26/4/25	Spelling Bee
16/5/25	PYP Exhibition (Sports Picnic)
23/5/25	End of UOI #6 3WI
31/5/25	2024 Achievers and Graduation Ceremony/VAX
6/6/25	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published

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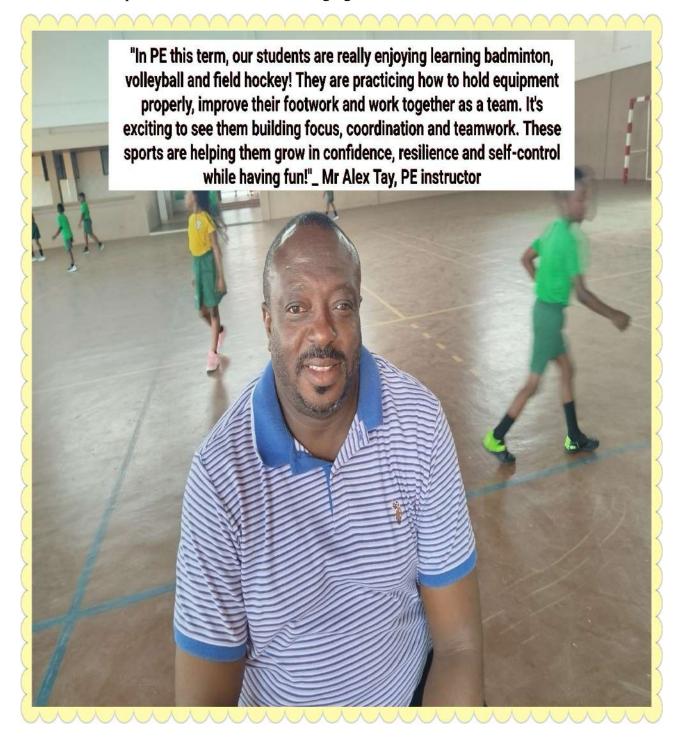


SPORTS AT TIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

At TIS Primary School, we believe sports are more than just games—they are opportunities for joy, personal growth and teamwork. Our students delight in exploring various ways to move their bodies, challenge themselves, and enjoy active play with friends. Whether jumping, running, or throwing, they are continually discovering new skills and learning through movement. These experiences help build confidence, resilience, and a lifelong love for physical activity.



In the Physical Education program from Kindergarten to Grade 6 at TIS Primary School, learners are introduced to a wide range of sports designed to nurture fundamental movement skills, enhance hand-eye coordination, and foster positive social interactions. Through engagement and developmentally appropriate activities, students build a strong foundation in agility, balance, and control while also learning the importance of fair play and teamwork. This semester, the focus is on three key sports: volleyball, badminton, and field hockey. Each sport presents unique opportunities for students to refine specific motor skills such as striking, serving, dribbling, and passing while also encouraging perseverance, communication, and strategic thinking. These sports not only support physical development but also promote confidence, cooperation, and a sense of belonging within a team environment.



Sports We Play at TIS Primary School

Badminton

Badminton lessons focus on developing essential foundational skills, including the correct grip and stance, serving techniques, forehand and backhand shots, and strategic footwork. Students were also introduced to rally play and the basic scoring system, allowing them to apply their skills in game-like situations. The primary objectives were to enhance racquet control, agility, and understanding of the rules and strategies of the game. These lessons contributed to the development of fine motor skills, improved cardiovascular fitness, and fostered important personal attributes such as discipline and resilience. Through a balanced mix of individual practice and partner-based activities, badminton supported students' ability to focus, manage themselves effectively, and build confidence in a dynamic and engaging environment.















Swimming

At TIS Primary School, swimming is one of the most exciting and essential activities in our physical education program. Students learn fundamental aquatic skills such as floating, kicking, gliding, and swimming with confidence and control. Our comprehensive swimming program is designed to build physical strength, enhance coordination, and teach vital water safety techniques that can save lives. Beyond the physical benefits, swimming also fosters self-assurance, helps students stay calm under pressure, and supports mental focus. With every session, learners grow more comfortable in the water, and they look forward to swimming days with great excitement and enthusiasm.



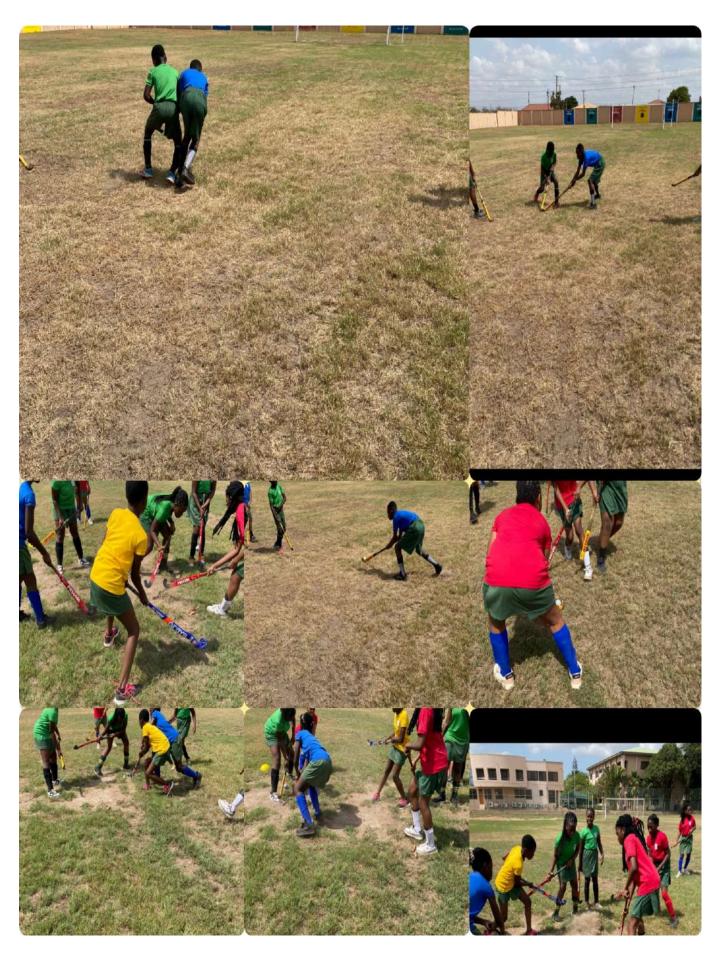
Swimming is such an important life skill and it's amazing to see how far out students are coming. At the start, many of them were nervous, some were even scared to get into the water. But with encouragement, practice and patience, they are now becoming more confident and comfortable in the pool. It's not just about learning to swim; they're also building trust and body awareness. I'm so proud of their progress!" _ Mr Kingsley, swimming instructor.



Hockey

In field hockey, learners focus on developing control through dribbling, mastering sweeping and hitting techniques, and honing their accuracy in passing and receiving. Emphasis was also placed on stick handling, ball control, and understanding player positioning. The objectives aim to help students manage the ball while moving, communicate effectively with teammates, and use equipment safely. Through small-sided games, they developed coordination, dynamic balance, and endurance while learning how to think strategically and function confidently within a team.





Volleyball

In volleyball, our students learn how to serve and pass the ball over the net while working collaboratively as a team. Throughout the unit, they practised essential skills such as underhand and overhand serving, volleying with their fingertips, and bumping using their forearms. Lessons also focus on developing court movement, positioning for plays, and effective verbal and non-verbal communication with teammates. The learning objectives emphasised improving hand-eye coordination, spatial awareness, and cooperative team dynamics. Through engaging drills and structured gameplay, students not only strengthened their upper bodies and enhanced their reaction times but also built confidence and a strong sense of teamwork in a supportive environment.



Basketball

In basketball, our students learn how to dribble, shoot, and work together as a team. Through fun and engaging activities, they practise coordination, build ball-handling skills, and develop confidence on the court. As they learn to move with purpose, make quick decisions, and support one another during gameplay, students enhance their physical fitness while also building important social and emotional skills such as communication, perseverance, and teamwork.



Football

At TIS Primary School, football is one of the students' favorite games. They thoroughly enjoy kicking, passing, and celebrating goals as a team, all while learning the importance of teamwork, strategy and sportsmanship. Football provides students with an exciting opportunity to develop their coordination, agility, and ball control, while also encouraging communication and collaboration with their teammates. Through engaging drills and friendly matches, they build confidence on the field and enhance their overall physical fitness.



Gymnastics – Enrichment Program

At TIS Primary School, gymnastics is offered as a special enrichment program for students eager to explore movement in new and exciting ways. Through this program, students develop key skills such as balance, coordination, flexibility, and control by practising basic gymnastics routines. They engage in activities like rolling, stretching, jumping, and simple acrobatics within a safe and supportive environment. Gymnastics not only helps students develop focus, body awareness, and confidence but also supports their overall physical development. By strengthening muscles and improving posture, it enhances performance in other sports and contributes to a well-rounded physical education experience.



More than Just PE: Sports Enrichment in Action

Sports continue beyond regular PE classes with Wednesday afternoon enrichment sessions. During this time, students dive deeper into activities like football, basketball, swimming, tennis, volleyball and badminton. These sessions give learners more opportunities to sharpen their skills, build confidence, and enjoy being active in a fun and supportive environment.

Sports Day Highlights

At TIS Primary School, Sports Day is one of the most exciting events of the semester. Our students show their energy, teamwork, and sportsmanship while having fun.

Our students took part in races, relays, games, and cheering competitions. Everyone tried their best, and there were smiles all around!



Skills We Learn Through Sports

At TIS Primary School, sports help our students develop more than just physical strength. They also grow in character and confidence.

Our students learn important life skills such as:

- Strength and fitness
- Teamwork and respect
- Focus and discipline
- Confidence and courage
- Thinking and problem-solving



"Swimming was scary at first, but now I can float and kick confidently. I feel proud of myself!" — Shawn, Grade 3

"Badminton, volleyball, and tennis are my favorites. They each need a different kind of focus. I'm learning control, quick thinking, and how to respect my opponents. I like the challenge!"— Kirsten, Grade 5





"I'm small, but I love football! I score goals! I can run super fast and kick the ball well. My team helps me, and I help them too. We learn to respect and trust each other.— Alden, Kinder 3



"I really love gymnastics. At first, I was shy and scared to try the moves, but now I feel more confident. I'm getting stronger and learning to focus better. When I balance or try a new trick, I feel brave."— Ewuradjoa, Kinder 3

"Football is my favorite! I've learned to work in a team and respect others. I run faster now and think more during the game. It helps me with fitness and solving problems on the field."—

Klenam, Grade 5





"I'm enjoying badminton so much this term. I used to struggle with hitting the shuttle, but now I'm getting better with control. It helps me focus and stay disciplined. I also like playing with a partner—it teaches respect and strategy."— Obaa Grade 3

""I actually enjoy all the sports we do, but right now I'm really into basketball. I like the energy and how we move around the court. I feel stronger and more confident, and I've learned to think fast and make good decisions while playing." — Reginald Grade 6



What's Coming Next?

We are excited about what's coming next in sports! We are celebrating what our students are learning in PE and looking forward to our "**Sport Picnic Day**"! It will be a day full of games, movement, and friendly competition, where students can show off their skills and enjoy being active together.

And don't miss the next **Sporty Family Day**, which takes place in Term 1, just before our school anniversary week. It is a special event where parents and children can team up, participate in fun challenges, and celebrate being active together. It's always a highlight of the term, and we can't wait to see you there!

Our students are learning that staying active, being kind, and working together can make every game great.





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#Make a Difference





TIS ADMISSION PROCESS

KEY QUESTIONS

- ✓ Why does your child want to come to TIS?
- ✔ How will your child take advantage of the TIS
- ✓ 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: <u>https://tis.openapply.com</u>
- ✔ 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 West Africa's best kept secret!

TEST AND INTERVIEW

- ✓ Your child will have to
- ✓ An online interview will be conducted after the test has

APPLICATION DECISION

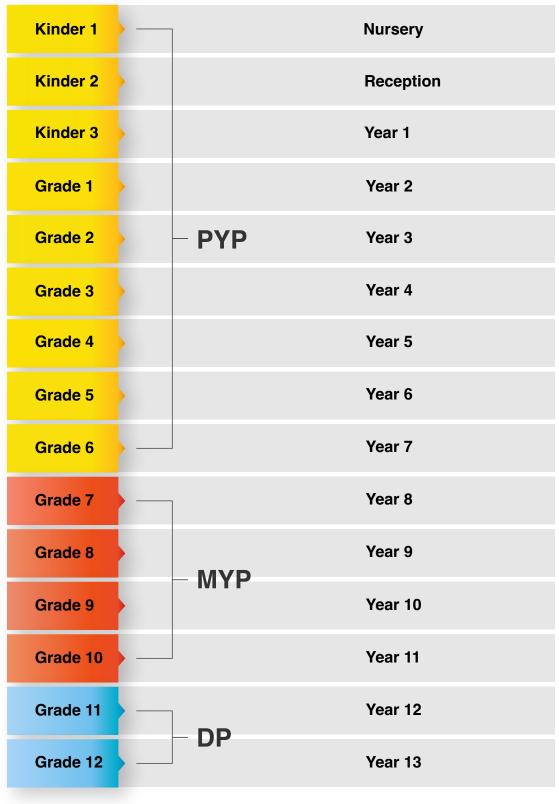
- ✓ If an admission offer is made,
- ✓ Otherwise, you will be informed if your child has on the waiting list.

NEED HELP OR IF YOU HAVE MORE QUESTIONS

- ✓ Please email: admissions@tis.edu.gh
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TIS Admissions Grade Chart

TIS British Curriculum Schools







Primary School Campus

Admissions Open For 2025/2026 Academic Year

Flexible admission screenings and interviews



Entry Points in 2025

Preschool

Junior Primary

Senior Primary

Nursery (1.9 years @ August 2025) Kinder 1 (2.9 years @ August 2025) Kinder 2 (3.9 years @ August 2025) Kinder 3 (4.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 1 (5.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 2 (6.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 3 (7.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 4 (8.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 5 (9.9 years @ August 2025) Grade 6 (10.9 years @ August 2025)

All admission applications will be online via Open Apply: https://tis.openapply.com

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







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MAIN CAMPUS SECONDARY ADMISSIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR FROM 3 OCTOBER 2024 UNTIL 31 MARCH 2025

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.



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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: https://tis.openapply.com For further information contact us on phone: +233 303 305134, +233 303 308737, +233 249 637762 email: admissions@tis.edu.gh Or come and visit the school (Opp Afariwa Farms, Off Tema-Akosombo Road) www.tis.edu.gh

CAS-SA Corner Celebrating the IB Class of 2025



TEMA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL





SAT. 7 JUNE 2025

10:00 AM

MAIN CAMPUS

SPORTS COMPLEX

It's been a long and meaningful journey, and now we get to honour and learn more about our graduates – *The Innovators*.

Click the link below to join the celebration on our social media platforms. Let's discover the stories behind each incredible member of this remarkable class.

https://web.facebook.com/TISGhana/?_rdc=1&_rdr# https://www.instagram.com/tema_international_school/ #IBClassof2025 #TISInnovators #TISProud

Annual Achievers & Graduation Ceremony IB Class of 2025 – The Innovators



Theme: Embracing Growth: Building a Better World Together

Date: Saturday, 7 June 2025

Time: 10:00 AM

Venue: Sports Complex – Secondary Campus

We are thrilled to invite you to the **Annual Achievers & Graduation Ceremony**, a signature event celebrating the incredible journey of our **IB Class of 2025** and honouring the outstanding contributions of students across various disciplines.

This year's theme, "Embracing Growth: Building a Better World Together", reflects the resilience, creativity, and collective spirit of our learners as they prepare to step into the world as changemakers. The Achievers' Ceremony is a proud tradition where we recognise and celebrate the dedication of students in the areas of academics, sports, culture, leadership, and service. Students are nominated based on their effort, consistency, and commitment throughout the year, and this ceremony serves to honour those who have truly gone above and beyond.

We are deeply honoured to host the following **distinguished guests**:

- Guest of Honour: His Royal Majesty Nii Tackie Teiko Tsuru II, Ga Mantse
- Guest Speaker: Mr Samuel Amanor, Founder & CEO, BlueSPACE Financial Cloud
- Alumni Speaker: Dr Abdul Aziz Timbilla, IB Class of 2015
- Parent Advisor: Amb. Asmaa James

Guests can expect a day filled with **colour**, **culture**, **and inspiring messages**, a fitting tribute to a remarkable cohort and our values as a community.

Join us as we celebrate an ending and a beginning shaped by growth, purpose, and hope.

From Mante School to Momentum: What's Next for Buddies for Change?



On 14 April 2025, Buddies for Change made a meaningful visit to Mante School of Excellence. We connected with students and staff, listened to their needs, and learned firsthand how limited access to technology was affecting learning. The experience was more than just eye-opening—it was a call to action.

But that visit wasn't a one-off. It was the beginning of something much bigger.



We're excited to share that **Buddies for**Change is now partnering with **Partner**Hero, an initiative collaborating with
Samuella Adu-Baah working to
renovate the school's IT lab and donate
25 fully functional computers. This
partnership isn't just about providing
devices — it 's about creating
opportunity, opening doors, and making
sure no student gets left behind in a
digital world.

This collaboration fits squarely within our vision: SDG 4 quality education and impact through action. Together, we aim to support the IT lab upgrade and contribute to training, digital literacy

awareness, and long-term engagement with Mante School's learning journey.

So what's next?

Fundraising. Advocacy. Rolling up our sleeves.

We're just getting started — and we can't wait to see where this journey takes us.



EducAid Mante Initiative: A Day With Mante Segment Report: Classroom Support & Teaching

Overview

As part of our recent visit to the Mante School of Excellence on 14 April 2025, we were assigned to the *Classroom Support & Teaching* segment. Our goal was to collaborate with Mante teachers to support lesson delivery, engage directly with students, and reflect on both academic and environmental conditions in the classrooms.

Our Activities

We partnered with teachers in various classrooms to assist with ongoing lessons and also facilitated our short learning activities. In some classes, we introduced interactive competitions and games to make the content more engaging and enjoyable for the students. We also conducted short reading and participation-based tasks with senior students to encourage focus and confidence. We made sure to let the day be a productive one, but not a very serious one. We asked them about their lives, and we shared ours.

In the spirit of learning from each other, we asked the students to share games they enjoy playing during their breaks, which led to a lively and mutual exchange of ideas. Some of us chose to sit among the students during lessons to better understand the everyday learning experience at Mante. This helped us gain firsthand insight into both their academic routine and the classroom environment.

Key Observations

A recurring challenge we noticed was related to the physical structure of the classrooms. Many of the inner walls are made of thin plywood, which allows sound from neighbouring rooms to travel easily

between spaces. This made it difficult for students to maintain focus, particularly the younger ones, who were more sensitive to distractions. Nonetheless, we were inspired by the students' eagerness to learn and their warm, open attitude throughout the day. The Mante teachers showed resilience and creativity, managing their classes with limited resources and a deep sense of dedication. Their willingness to involve us in teaching activities and their openness to collaborative learning made our experience deeply meaningful.

Reflections and Moving Forward

This experience emphasized the importance of both human connection and a conducive learning environment in shaping education. We believe that alongside academic support, addressing structural limitations—like noise reduction and classroom materials—would greatly improve student focus and engagement. We hope this reflection can serve as a conversation starter among educators, students, and supporters of the EducAid Mante Initiative. We look forward to continuing our work in partnership with the Mante community and contributing to lasting improvements in both infrastructure and learning experiences.

Eliana Essel, Sedinam Ahlidza, James Baiden, Samantha Kattah & Zeruiah Yarquah – G11





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The importance of Handwashing and COVID-19's effect on handwashing



Why is handwashing important?

- · Removes germs, bacteria, and viruses
- Prevents illnesses like flu, diarrhea, and food poisoning
- Protects you and others from spreading infections
- · Reduces healthcare costs and hospital visits



When Should You Wash Your Hands?

- · Before eating or preparing food
- · After using the restroom
- · After coughing, sneezing, or touching your face
- After being in public spaces (doors, transport, shopping carts

How COVID-19 Changed Handwashing Habits



During COVID-19:

- · Increased awareness of hand hygiene
- More access to hand sanitizers in public places
- Schools & workplaces encouraged frequent handwashing

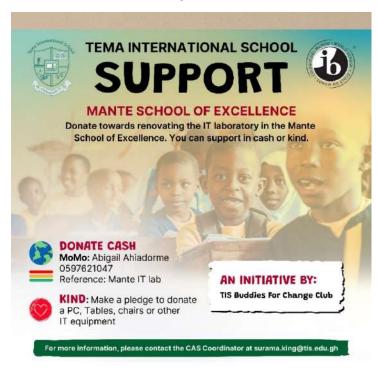


Now, Post-COVID:

- Handwashing rates have dropped globally
- · Many people have returned to old habits
- Studies show less frequent handwashing, despite ongoing wellbeing threats.

WE ADVISE YOU TO WASH YOUR HANDS REGULARLY AS THESE BAD HABITS CAN LEAD TO NUMEROUS HEALTH RISKS.

#CAS Project – Buddies for Change Club Initiative



At Buddies for Change Club, our mission is rooted in the theme "Thinking Globally, Acting Locally." We believe that real change begins within our communities, and we can make a global impact through collective effort. Our current focus is on renovating and equipping the IT Lab at Mante School of Excellence, turning it into a space where students can unlock their potential and thrive in today's technology-driven world.

The current state of the IT lab is far from ideal. Outdated equipment and limited resources make it difficult for students to access the tools and knowledge they need to keep up with the modern world. This initiative directly aligns with several **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**

(SDGs), including Quality Education (SDG 4) and Reduced Inequalities (SDG 10). By improving the lab, we're not just providing resources—we're opening doors to new opportunities for the students of Mante School.

To achieve this, we're calling on you to support our efforts. In addition to financial donations, which can be sent to **0597621047** (with the reference *Mante IT Lab*), we also accept contributions of new or used but functioning IT equipment, such as computers, desks, and chairs. These items will make an immediate difference in the students' learning experience. By supporting *Buddies for Change*, you're not just helping renovate a lab; you're empowering a generation, fostering innovation, and bridging the gap between potential and opportunity. Together, we can ensure these students have the tools they need to succeed and become the change-makers of tomorrow.

Join us today - donate, inspire, and be part of the change! Glorious Angel Ogyiri Asare – DP1



EducAid Mante Initiative Class of 2026 Project for Impact



Support the EducAid Mante Initiative – A Community Effort

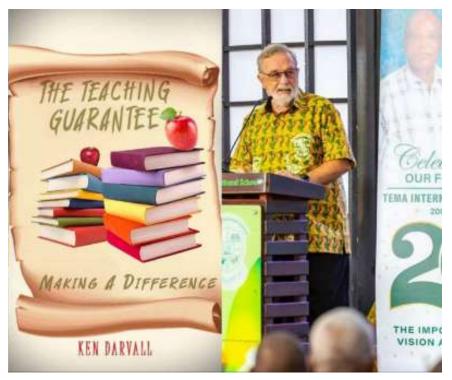
The EducAid Mante Initiative is a CAS project led by the IB Class of 2026, dedicated to supporting the Mante School of Excellence in Afienya East. This school has been a vital educational pillar for underserved communities for over 25 years, but it currently faces challenges that affect the quality of education and student well-being.

The project is structured in phases to address key needs:

- Phase 1: Sanitation Facilities Raising GHC 150,000 to build safe and hygienic toilets, ensuring a healthier environment, especially for girls.
- **Phase 2**: **Classroom Renovation** Refurbishing classrooms with better roofing, ventilation, and essential repairs.
- Phase 3: Canteen and Additional Facilities Enhancing the school's canteen and other essential spaces for student well-being.

How You Can Help

- ✓ **Direct Donations** Contributions can be made via MoMo to Ms. Abigail Ahiadorme (0597621047) with the reference "EducAid Your Name or Ward's Name."
- ✓ **Spread the Word** Share this initiative with friends and family to help raise awareness and support.
- ✓ **Purchase Dr. Ken's Book** The Teaching Guarantee: Making a Difference



Purchase Dr. Ken Darvall's latest book, *The Teaching Guarantee: Making a Difference*, to support the EducAid Mante Initiative. This inspiring book is a must-read for educators and anyone passionate about making a difference in schools.

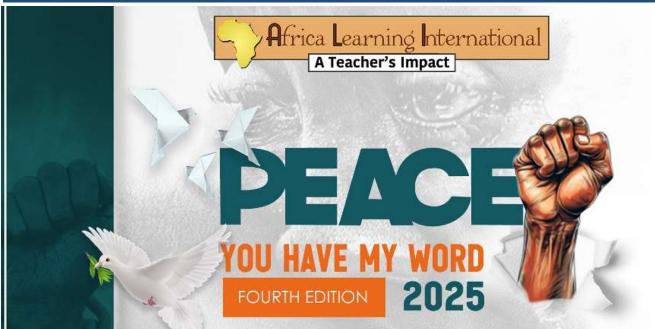
Every copy purchased directly contributes to the EducAid Mante Initiative. Books will be available from GHC 200 per copy, and you can buy one for yourself or as a meaningful gift for someone. Let's come together to support this cause and create a lasting impact!

Thank you for being part of this journey—buy a book, support a cause, and help transform education!





Peace You Have My Word 2025 – Let the Youth Speak!



It's time again to amplify the voices of our young people through the *Peace You Have My Word* writing competition, now in its fourth inspiring year. Organised by ALI, this powerful initiative encourages students to reflect deeply and write boldly about the topic of peace in today's world—especially in Africa.

This year's theme invites students to write in one of four thought-provoking categories:

- Africa Unite
- Peace Starts Small
- No Justice, No Peace
- Ancestral Intelligence is the AI of Peace

Students are invited to submit a short text (maximum 300 words) by **1 July 2025** through the official submission link. Winning entries will be celebrated on the International Day for Peace in September 2025 at a *Youth Peace Summit* and published in *The International Educator (TIE)* magazine.

This is a wonderful opportunity to give students a voice on issues that matter most—justice, unity, ancestral wisdom, and everyday peacebuilding. Let us continue to support initiatives that inspire reflection, critical thinking, and hope for a better future. The following link is for <u>Text Submission</u> (300 words, deadline: 1 July)

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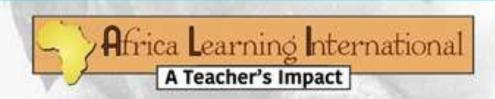
📽 Suggested videos to spark student inspiration:

Peace You Have My Word 2024 by Nuria Adam (Al-Rayan International School) - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjoxMUmjuBY&ab channel=ARISCommunication

Mika Mensah's Peace Reflection (Tema International School)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jE45SDXw018&ab channel=TemaInternationalSchool

Together, let's champion peace—one word at a time.





CATEGORIES

- Africa Unite
- Peace Starts Small
- No justice, no peace
- Ancestral Intelligence is the AI of Peace

Submission deadline

July 1st 2025

















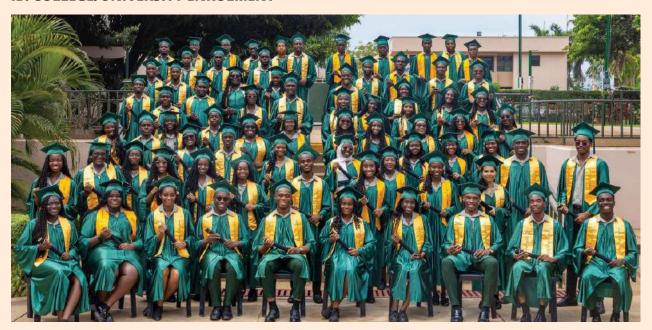
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- ✓ Manage expectations & look after yourself
- ✓ Ask for and accept support. From Learning Support, the Wellbeing Counsellor Hostel Parents, Teachers, etc.
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Thank You, Parents!







Topic: Excelling at University: A Parent's Guide to a Student's Success



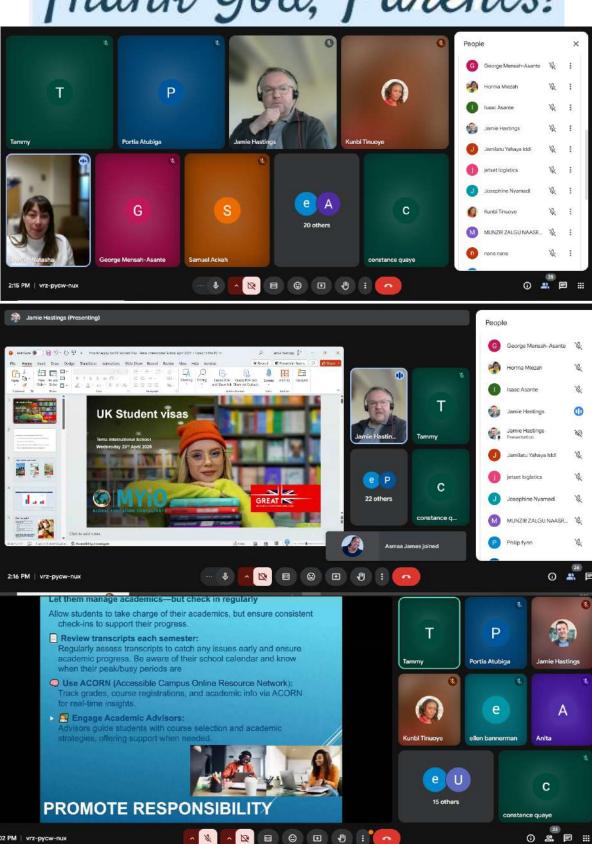


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Dear parents, we truly appreciate your time and engagement in this insightful session. The presentation slides and summary have been sent to you via email.

Once again, thank you for your dedication and support!

Thank You, Parents!



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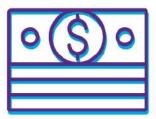


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Bailey Fawcett, Africa Recruiter, shared highlights of various presentations and resources that the university has in place for excellent support of students.



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Explore

a wide range of research. Research the topic thoroughly to develop your knowledge base, discover new ideas and strengthen your own line of argument.

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Evaluate

the reliability of your sources. Take some time to evaluate all your sources, particularly if information has been accessed online. Consider who has created the information and why.

3

Organise

your research notes.
Note taking is a fundamental
part of the research process.
Keep notes neatly organised
and retain a copy of each
source used.

4

Write

an original paper.
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The best defence against plagiarism is original writing. Unless quoting directly from someone else's work, express all ideas in your own words.

5

Paraphrase

other people's ideas.
An essential academic skill, some find it helpful to note down key words and concepts before paraphrasing other people's ideas.

6

Differentiate

other's work from your own original insights by referencing or paraphrasing. Avoid accidentally plagiarising someone else's work by using academic referencing. 7

Cite

all of your sources.
A citation in your paper shows exactly what information has come from another source. Remember to cite all borrowed words or ideas, including those which came from one of your own previous papers!

8

Reference

all of your citations correctly. Depending on the referencing system used, this may end in a list of sources as a 'bibliography'. Most students are aware of referencing requirements surrounding books and journals, but we must also reference sources like YouTube videos, images, diagrams and yourself!

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Use

the relevant referencing system consistently throughout your assignment. Referencing can vary across module units or each course so check which system you should use and follow the relevant formatting guidelines.

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your teacher or instructor for their feedback on any drafts you have written

in advance of the deadline.
Writing multiple drafts and implementing the feedback you receive can help to make you a better writer.

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Double check

your work including citations. Allow time to double check each of your citations before submission. This includes page numbers, publication dates, web links and authors' names.

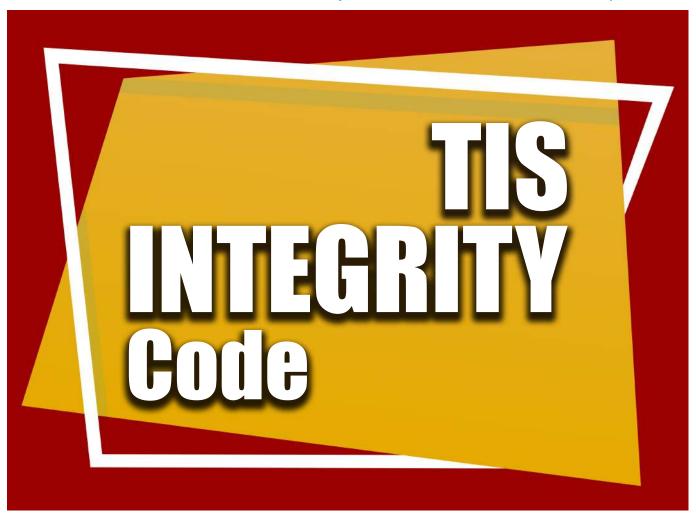
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