Dear Parents

Welcome to the families who have joined us this half-term and farewell to those who have just left or who are about to leave. I regret to announce that Primary teacher Ms Sarah Black has unexpectedly returned the UK for personal reasons. Head of Primary Ms Yvette Jeffrey and Head of Primary-to-be Mr Nic Roe are stepping in to ensure the continuity of the students’ learning to the end of term; thank you to both.

I am thrilled to announce the first staff appointments for 2013/2014. Ms Katie Sturrock, currently teaching Nursery, will be teaching in the Lower Primary and Ms Sally Thompson returns to her roots with Secondary English. Next week, I will announce the first of the new staff who will be joining us in August.

The Senior Leadership Team recently reviewed the Policies and Procedures affecting student use of Mobile Phones, and ICT Acceptable Use policy. Please see the downloads page on our website at http://www.tenby.edu.my/v2/miri/download.

If you have any queries or concerns, please email me at Robert.Young@tenby.edu.my.

Robert Young
Principal

Message from the Principal

Upcoming Events:

6 – 7 June
U13 Netball Tournament at Jerudong International School

Thursday 8 June
TISM goes to the Malaysian Science Olympiad in Puchong, Selangor

Friday 7 June
Secondary visits to Senadin campus

11 – 13 June
Primary student visits to the Senadin campus

6.00pm Tuesday 11 June
Y6 Parent informational meeting about TISM’s Secondary programme and entry to Y7

Wednesday 12 June – postponed sine die
Secondary Parents informational meeting about Bring Your Own Device

9.00am – 2.00pm Saturday 15 June 2013
KRP v TISM Super-8 Chess Challenge at TISM

The Move to Senadin - Update

Recent photographs of the campus have been posted on our Facebook page. Furniture and other equipment have been ordered and will be arriving soon. Sanitary, light and related fittings are in place and we are on schedule for the power and water connections in the next week or so. Pool tiling, both inside and on the surrounding pool-deck, is almost complete, the outdoor basketball roof installed, and the guardhouse and exterior fencing complete. Initial grass planting has been completed, and we have made our first decisions concerning trees. Laying the interior road surfaces should be done this week; the external city roads have been laid.

The first set of student visits have been arranged, and we are now making appointments for campus tours for prospective parents commencing 1 July.
More from the Principal

The next half term will be busy with preparations for moving to the Senadin campus and appointing staff because of our growth and to replace those who are leaving. At the same time we do, of course, need to ensure that we continue to provide high-quality teaching and learning to our students until the very end of this term.

In order to assist TISM, Tenby Group of Schools (“TGS”) will be more visible on our campus:

- Senior Tenby education officers, either Mr Robert Lloyd (Director of Education) or Ms Denise Sinclair (School Improvement and Development Manager), will spend at least two days here each week
- Mr Kelvin Leong, TGS ICT Officer / Assistant Business Development manager has been based full-time in Miri for the last month to lead the process of furnishing and equipping the new campus
- A follow-up informational meeting about the new campus will be held 6.00pm Thursday 4 July to provide an opportunity for parents to find out more about the new school campus and the arrangements that will be in place from September. Mr Robert Lloyd will also be present at this meeting.

I would appreciate receiving your questions for this meeting in advance so that we can any necessary research.

With the co-operation of our staff, and the liaison between the school and the TGS team, I am confident that we can work together to move forward and successfully to meet the challenges of this final half-term at the Piasau campus.

Robert Young
Principal

Message from the Head of Primary

Dear Parents,

Welcome back after the half term break. I hope you all enjoyed the holiday and that your children are looking forward to the final half term of the year.

It is going to be an exciting build up to the end of term and our final term on Piasau Camp. You will have seen the progress being made at Senadin from the photos displayed at school and also on Facebook. But the best way to see the building grow is to actually visit it! We have been given permission to take the Primary School to the new site next week. Children will be transported there by coach or mini-bus and will have a chance to view the new school safely from within the buses. No children will leave the buses – it is only a coach trip so that the children can see where we shall move to in September. Following the trip, the children will be making things to go in a time capsule which will be planted at the new site. They will draw or write about their memories of Tenby School at Piasau Camp and also what they are looking forward to in the new school. Your child will bring home a permission slip for the trip at the end of the day, so please sign it and return for Monday 10th June.

Our Culture topic for this half term is Canada. Thank you to all those Parents who are contributing - I can’t wait to learn more about Canada and to see the Canadian display! Later on this term we have the Year 3-6 residential trips, Sports Days and the school disco – so much to look forward to and lots to learn!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes

Yvette
Yvette.jeffrey@tenby.edu.my
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Notices

BYOD Parent Informational Meeting

The meeting for secondary parents to introduce “Bring Your Own Device” with Mr Alan Miles, Secoary ICT teacher, has been postponed sine die. A new date and time will be announced shortly. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Earth Day Beach and Reef Clean Up

We are not organising this event, merely passing on the information. Please contact the School Reception (miri@tenby.edu.my) for the Registration Form.

Date: 22 June 2013
Time: 8.00am – 2.30pm
Beach Cleaning: PBC beach onwards

Reef Cleaning:
- a. Seafan Garden
- b. Siwa Reef (North and South)
- c. Belais Reef
- d. Anemone Garden
- e. Sunday Reef

Alternative reefs: Hantano Reef and Eve’s Garden

The venue for the launching will be at Piasau boat club and piasau jetty for divers flag off. The event schedule as well as the registration form will be distributed once it is finalized. Please do not hesitate to contact me (Samantha Kwan) via email or call me at 0178590724 should you require further information.

Samantha Kwan
Wildlife Warden
Sibuti Wildlife Sanctuary
Sarawak Forestry Corporation

Tel: 085-436 – 637

Personal Safety

A family pet was recently taken by a crocodile at a popular ocean beach / riverside swimming and picnicking area in Miri. Previous attacks in this area were unknown and thus people may have let down their guard. Please remember that rivers and beach areas near rivers are all potentially crocodile habitats, and to exercise caution at all times, especially with pets and children.
10th – 14 June
Cardboard / Paper / Newspapers / Magazines

Please remove any non-paper materials (eg sticky tape) and please do not bring laminated papers.

So far, Lions have proved to be the biggest recyclers, winning all three MiRecycles this year. Can Dragons or Cobras step up to the mark this time?

Pizza boxes / magazines / posters – as long as it’s cardboard or paper, we can take it!

The Attic
Tenby International School, Miri presents

The Attic
A Musical by R Hodgson and T Creatorex

Upstairs in the attic under cobwebs and the dust something stirs beneath the junk left to rot and rust

A lifetime full of memories of stories never told of histories and mysteries waiting to unfold.

Jessica doesn’t care about history. Why should she? It doesn’t have anything to do with her. Or so she thinks.

Join Jessica, Spider and DW as they explore the histories and mysteries waiting to unfold in The Attic.

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Featuring students from Year 6, 7, 8 and 9 at Tenby International School, The Attic is a musical historical adventure, and will be performed at Pustaka Miri (Auditorium) at 7pm on 21st June.

Tickets on sale from Ms Linda in the school office at RM15/RM20.
Do you want to know what has happened in all the different groups in nursery, reception, primary and secondary? You want be part of the excitement of the different assemblies through the year? You want to see the children having all that fun again during special events like International Day, Book Week and Swimming Gala?

Well, you can and all of that and so much more will be in the Tenby School Yearbook.

This book is a great gift for every child in the school, but it is also a wonderful present for family members, like the grandparents who will enjoy going through the book with the children and learn all about the excitement that was part of our school the last year.

The price of the book will be **RM35.-**
The deadline for ordering the books is **Wednesday 12th June.**

Please, can you let us know how many books you would like to order, by handing in this slip at the reception, with the money included. This way we know how many need to be printed.

Regards,

The Year Book Committee.

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**Year Book Order Form**

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wants to order ....................................... copies of the Year Book.

Signature: .................................................................
Dutch Kinderfeest 2013

Date: Saturday 15th of June  
Place: PBC playground  
Time: 4-6 pm  
Age: 2-13 years  
Tickets: RM 40 (includes games, drinks and snacks)

Kinderfeest, a Dutch tradition.

With Kinderfeest the Dutch community of Miri celebrates its Queens birthday. Every year we invite all children of all nationalities to celebrate this special birthday with us.

As the theme of this year’s Kinderfeest is Atlantis, we would like to ask you to come to the party dressed in swimming wear or clothes that can become wet. The best dressed child will win a prize, so dress to impress!

At the party you will play many games. Some of them will be in Atlantis style, others are traditional Dutch Queen’s day games.

Vrijmarkt

Many of you will remember the “Vrijmarkt” which is our annual Kinderfeest Flea market. At this flea market children can sell their old toys. If you wish to have a spot at the “Vrijmarkt”, inform us by sending an email to the following email address: kinderfeestmiri@gmail.com.

Snacks and a drink will be free off charge but make sure you bring some money if you wish to shop at the flea market.

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact anybody of the Kinderfeest committee. We are looking forward to see you at Atlantis. Blub!!!

Judith – Andrea – Mieke - Barbara

NVM (Nederlandse Vereniging Miri) and PBC cannot accept any responsibility for any injury caused to anyone by playing the games or using the equipment at the Kinderfeest.