Dear Parents,

Welcome to Ms Erika Wong who joined us this week as our new Accounts Executive, and to Ms Jennifer Rowe who will join us in August as an Early Years teacher.

Next week is of course the last week of the 2012/2013 academic year (where did it go?). Please see below for information on events and arrangements. The following week will be devoted to packing and moving; we plan to open the Administration at Senadin Monday 29 July but will need a couple of days to get things up and running so if you need anything from us, please contact us from 1 August if possible. We do anticipate issues with the School’s landlines although the general email box (miri@tenby.edu.my) and mobile / handphone number (016 – 596 6387) will be operating throughout.

If you are travelling over the Break, please check our website and our Facebook page for updates. The School office will be open throughout.

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

Robert Young
Principal

The Move to Senadin - Update

Internal roads have been finished and road-marking nears completion. The four main buildings are finished, with minor remediation and touch-ups being done; meanwhile, furniture has been delivered and is being installed in classrooms and offices. The pool is being filled and pumps and filters pre-tested, prior to commissioning next week. Site clean-up and removal of construction debris has begun, the final paving is being done and the sports facilities are close to completion.

The move from Piasau is scheduled for 21 – 26 July, office set up for Monday 29 to Wednesday 31 July and full administration functionality from Thursday 1 August.
Miss Yvette’s Farewell from Shell

Last Friday saw a special Farewell Dinner at the Marriott Hotel for Miss Yvette, courtesy of Shell. Miss Yvette was joined by Patrick Vincent of Shell HR and the three teachers who are working at Tenby School, seconded to Shell (Miss Linda who was unable to make it, sent her apologies). The meal was to recognize, acknowledge and thank Miss Yvette for five years of company service, hard work and dedication to children's learning, the highlights being leading the Piasau School team towards the achievement of IPC Accreditation at Mastering level (the first Shell School in the world and the second school in the world to achieve this award) in 2009, a Learning Focused Accreditation at Mastering level in 2009, and for leading the transition of Piasau School to Tenby International School in 2011. Farewell, and all the best in Dubai, Miss Yvette. We will miss you!

Prepared by: EPA-H-TCH (SSB)

Capitaine Zwarte

Capitaine Zwarte finally makes it to Tenby!

The mysterious Capitaine Zwarte finally made it to Tenby School to read a story to the pupils of Year 3 this week. Unfortunately the original reading had to be cancelled for Health and Safety reasons, due to a blackout on the 27th June. Capitaine Zwarte was scheduled to read the children their bedtime story at a Mystery location on Piasau Camp, as part of the Year 3 Mystery Trip. Whilst the children were thrilled to eventually meet him, perhaps it was best to have the story in daylight after all? He looks pretty frightening to me! Can you guess who the Story Teller is?

On a lighter note, Year 3 completed their Mystery Trip the following morning, on Piasau Beach, and Daniel from the Boat Club was the esteemed judge for the Sandcastle competition.

This is as much as we are willing to share about the Year 3 trip because it is ‘a Mystery Trip,’ and telling would spoil the surprise for next year’s Year 3s. However, I would like to say a huge ‘thank you’ to Marichu Roberts for organising EVERYTHING to ensure that the trip ran so smoothly, Yuni Kemasa for joining us on the first day and Mie Sakuma and Anna Wong For laying out the white pebbles on the mystery trail so beautifully. They were a beacon of light on a dark, dark night.

Prepared by: Miss Julie
Sports Day Track Events

Wednesday 17th July
8:30am – 11:00am
Miri Stadium

All Yr 3 – Yr 9 students will represent their house at the Sports Day Track Events at Miri Stadium.

Track Events: 60M, 100M, 200M, 400M, 800M, 1500M,
Fun Races: Skipping race, Hoop-Lah race, Bean Bag Dash.

YR 3 will compete in a 60M sprint and may choose to compete in any other race.
YR 4 will compete in a 60M sprint and must choose at least 1 other race.
YR 5 must compete in at least 2 races, 1 must be a sprint (60M/100M/200M)
YR 6 must compete in at least 2 races, 1 must be a sprint (60M/100M/200M)
YR 7 – YR 9 must compete in 3 races, 1 must be a sprint (100M/200M), 1 must be a middle or long distance (400M/800M/1500M) or ‘Fun Races’.

YR 3 and YR 4 may only enter 4 races maximum
YR 5 – YR 9 may only enter 5 races maximum

Students will get 1 house point per event that they enter and bonus points will be allocated for 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions.

Students should register in their classrooms and will then be transported to the Stadium by coach. Students should attend school in their PE kit with house t-shirts (or a t-shirt the colour of their house) with also hat and water bottle. At the end of the field events transports will be provide back to school.

If you wish to come a support please be at the stadium by 8:30am.

Prepared by: Chloe Hickinbottom

Year 2 Trip to Miri Helibase
On Monday 7.7.13 the Japanese study group celebrated ‘Tanabata’ which is a Japanese star festival originating from the Chinese Qixi Festival. Tanabata means ‘Evening of the Seventh.’ We learnt about the story of ‘Tanabata.’ There was a girl called Orihime and a boy called Hikoboshi. They liked each other so every day they played together. But the king got cross and he split up Hikoboshi and Orihime. So they worked harder and after that the king was pleased. He decided that in one year and one day they could meet each other on the 7th day of the 7th month. That’s where the ‘Tanabata’ comes from.

On this bamboo branch in the picture, there are origami birds and circular chains. We wrote wishes on the paper. On the square paper there are wishes from the children and the mums, for example ‘to be a football player’ (Shun) and ‘to swim faster’ (Nagisa). It is in the reading Room if you would like to have a look.

The bamboo leaves rustle,
shaking away in the eaves.
The stars twinkle
on the gold and silver grains of sand.
The five-colour paper strips
I have already written.
The stars twinkle,
they watch us from heaven.

In present day Japan people generally celebrate this day by writing wishes, sometimes in the form of poetry on tanzaku (短冊, tanzaku), small pieces of paper, and hanging them on bamboo.

Text and photo by Nagisa Kosuge Year 4 (Prepared by Miss Julie)
Year 7 Field Trip

SHELL - WELLS TRAINING CENTRE FIELD TRIP
Prepared by: Faiza Shaikh, Year 7

I went on a field trip to the wells training centre in Lutong, on the 5th of July 2013. It was a very amazing visit as I would have never gone there if it weren’t for the trip.

We watched a movie that showed an oil blow out. A blow out is when an oil rig blows up. The blow out we saw took around 4 weeks to put the fire out!

After that we went to the simulators. The simulators there were COMPLETELY different than I had imagined them to be. I thought they were like a box device that you get into where a screen is in front of you. Then if something happens on the screen and you move with it. I couldn’t have been more wrong!

Firstly, there was no box in which you step into, but a simulator was used that you either sit in or stood alongside. The 1st simulator we saw was a computerized simulator, therefore you sit. That simulator was a platform drilling one. You control drilling in the ocean. The 2nd simulator we went to was another sitting one. It was a CYBER CHAIR!! It sounds awesome, and it was! It also controlled drilling in the middle of the ocean on a platform-like-boat. The 3rd simulator we saw was a standing one where there where a whole lot of buttons and leavers. There was a leaver to control the speed of the drilling, one to control depth of the drilling and a huge brake. There were lots more though. I got to control that simulator. It was fun but quite annoying when an alarm kept on going off. The last simulator we went to was unlike the others, it had a touch screens and again, lots of buttons!

After that our field trip was over. We all gathered into the mini bus and went back to school. I enjoyed the trip lots and would like to go back there again!

SCIENCE TRIP TO SHELL WELLS TRAINING CENTRE LUTONG
Prepared by: Tope, Year 7

On Friday 5th of July the year 7 class and I went to Wells Training centre Lutong for an educational experience we weren’t to forget. The trip started off at 12.07pm when we headed off in the mini bus with Mr. Peter and Mr. Colum. Mr. Cranfield, Emily’s (Year 9) dad, provided us with lunch and it was magnificent; with different varieties of rice, chicken, puddings and so on.

After lunch, Mr. Cranfield took us into one of the learning rooms were we watched a video based on a real live blow-out. It was of a blow-out in the 1900s and how the people dealt with i.e. how they stayed alive and the methods used to put it out. Finally, we headed off to the simulators that made us feel like we were at an actual off-shore rig. There were a variety of things to do but I was a huge fan of the cyber chair which actually simulated being on the rig and being in charge of the drill. It was great fun and everyone really felt poignant when we were told that we had to go back to the school. I loved it and look forward to going there again.
Primary
Tenby’s got Talent!

Do you have a particular skill that you would like to share with us?

Can you play an instrument, dance, sing or just perform?

If so Tenby’s got talent is the opportunity for you to shine!

Collect an application form from Miss Jenny in the Office or from any Student Councillor.

When: Tuesday 16\textsuperscript{th} July
Where: School hall
What time: 12.45 – 2.00pm
Ms Jennifer Rowe

Originally from Australia, I have had a long and varied career across many areas of education, but focused on young children, particularly early childhood education. Beginning my career in welfare, I worked with families experiencing difficulties due to homelessness, dysfunction and illness. My role was to work with the children ensuring their well-being and engagement with society and education in particular. This work led me to further studies in Early Childhood education and I subsequently operated an Early Childhood Centre for many years. My educational interest during this period became focused on language development and I completed associated further university qualifications. In my pursuit of this interest, my career of international teaching began, and led me to work in the Asian region for most of the past decade. After experiencing teaching all ages of students, I have returned to my strongest love - teaching in Early Years. I look forward to the new experience of working and living in Sarawak, Malaysia at Tenby International School, and most of all, to meeting you and your children!

2013/2014 Invoices
Tuition invoices for Term One are now being issued and payment is due. Please contact the School's Accounts Department if you have any queries or concerns.

Lego Robotics
A Lego Robotics club is to be offered in 2013/2014. Numbers will be limited and due to the high cost of the equipment, a fee will be charged. Watch our website and Facebook page for updates.

Final Week Programme

Monday 15 July
Normal Timetable

Tuesday 16 July
Primary normal timetable to 1230
Secondary normal timetable to 1000
1000 – 1415 Secondary Celebration Day at PBC
1230 – 1400 R – Y6 “Tenby’s Got Talent”

Wednesday 17 July
N – Y2 normal timetable; no swimming
0800 – 1200 Y3 – 9 Sports Day at Miri Stadium; drop off at Piasau campus and school transport to and from the stadium
1200 – 1415 Normal Timetable

Thursday 18 July
Normal Timetable

Friday 19 July
0800 Normal start to the day
0900 Whole-school Leavers’ Assembly
1130 Whole-school final shared lunch in Hall
1300 Student dismissal