



TENBY INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL MIRI

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SENIOR STUDENTS FORGE LINKS WITH CURTIN UNIVERSITY

Tenby has always enjoyed a close relationship with our neighbours at Curtin University Sarawak, but this week has been a little special.

The first meeting of the Student Leaders took place on Tuesday with Jonathan Warner and Mo bin Haji Kamit, President of the Student Council at Curtin who spoke about how he had overcome youthful shyness by attending similar groups at School and now was taking the lead in designing and promoting the University's Open Day at the weekend. Later on Thursday, students from Years Nine and Ten attended the Curtin Geology Week

Student Day, with presentations and guest lectures on this important element of the IGCSE Science curriculum.

The School will hold pride of place with a stall at the University's Open Day on Saturday 20 September, where our Student Leaders will be on hand to inform prospective parents about the School and help younger children take part in the competitions and activities as part of the 'Kid's Corner'. In addition, the 'Tenbeats' School band will be performing as part of the opening Ceremony and have been invited to perform again at the evening concert.



Student Leaders and role models at both School and University-level

INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY CURRICULUM

The School has a proud tradition of using the IPC to foster cross-subject thought and an international attitude.

The children in Reception have been studying 'Up and Away' as their first unit in IPC, learning about things that fly or float in the air. They have built aeroplanes and helicopters using construction bricks, designed and made their own kites and even tested flying them!

Similarly, Year 3 have been learning about the world through the 'Gateways to the World' IPC topic. They have started to look at the role of airports, our international connections and air travel in general. The children relish the opportunity to study a realistic activity relevant to their own lives.

Year 6 have got to grips with the concepts of their IPC topic 'Black Gold', investigating the importance of the oil industry to the world. The connections to living and working in Miri are obvious!



Active, engaged students learning across subject boundaries: the IPC at its best!

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TIS Miri: LEARN LOCALLY, EXCEL GLOBALLY

EDUCATION BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

This week has seen the start of the co-curricular activity programme and individual music lessons.

Here at TIS Miri, we believe that education does not only take place in the classroom but on the sports pitch, performing on stage or exploring in the field, and so all students at the School are encouraged take risks, develop existing interests and try new ones via participation in activities. For example,

nearly 30 students participated in individual music lessons on string instruments, guitar and drums with our visiting instrumental teachers. Spaces for these lessons are now full, but please get in touch with Ms Sarah if you would like your child to be added to the waiting list, or you are interested in your child learning a different instrument.

Due to Tuesday's public holiday, Mr Wee will be teaching on Monday 15 September rather than Tuesday 16.



'Wonderful to hear so much music in the Creative Arts block' - Ms Sarah

PARENT POWER: THE PTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Parental Involvement is crucial in the health and success of any School, and the key route is via the Parent-Teacher Association.

The PTA at Tenby has a long and proud history of promoting and organising events ranging from activities for the children, international days and raising money for charity. We hope this can develop by involving parents in the School's forward planning.

The PTA will hold the Annual General Meeting on Thursday at 8.15 am, discussing future plans and electing officers to help steer the group in the year to come.

We hope the meeting is very well attended, and as many of you as possible wish to become involved in this crucially important body. Only by working together can we ensure the growth and success of TIS Miri in the future.



Great Events bring us all together

CALENDAR FOR THE FORTHCOMING WEEK

	Saturday 13		
	Sunday 14		
WEEK 4 Sept	Monday 15	0730-0740 1455-1545 1500-1600 1545-1700	Academic Staff Briefing, <i>Library</i> PADI Seal Team Scuba Training, <i>Swimming Pool and Classrooms</i> Heads of Department Meeting, <i>Conference Room</i> PADI Jnr. Open Water Scuba Training, <i>Swimming Pool and Classrooms</i>
	Tuesday 16		Malaysia Day: School closed
	Wednesday 17	0800-0900 1500-1600	Meeting of the Dutch School Board, <i>Meeting Room</i> Senior Leadership Team Meeting, <i>Meeting Room</i>
	Thursday 18	0815-0900 1830-1930	PTA Annual General Assembly, <i>Library Lounge</i> Parent Information Evening: 'Sixth Form and International University Entrance', <i>Auditorium</i>
	Friday 19	0800-0845	Secondary Assembly, <i>Auditorium</i>
	Saturday 20	0800-1500	Curtin Sarawak Open Day, <i>Curtin University Sarawak</i>
	Sunday 21		