Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome to this, our first newsletter to be distributed to all parents at our two schools, Tenby International School and Sekolah Sri Tenby.

On 8th September last year Tenby Schools, Setia Eco-park opened with just 206 students at TIS. Even this number was almost twice our expectations of a few months earlier. Just four months later, we now have 618 students attending the combined schools and more waiting to join when there are spaces available and teachers to teach them!

This newsletter will usually be published at the end of each week during the school terms. It is circulated by e-mail to all parents as well as staff of the schools. Please make sure therefore that the school has an up-to-date e-mail address for you and that there is room in your mail-box to receive it!

A copy of the newsletter is also posted on the notice board in the school reception area and current as well as past newsletters can be accessed through the school website.
http://www.tenby.edu.my/setiaecopark/newsletter

School security and access to the school campus

Security is an important issue in all schools. With the increase in the number of students and staff using the campus, more stringent measures now need to be put in place.

Identity tags for those TIS parents who applied for them are now available. They will be given to students to bring home next Tuesday 13th January. If your child is inclined to be forgetful, then please ask him or her for it!

Please note the following:

• If you bring your children to school by car then wherever possible simply drop them off and leave. There are only a small number of designated car-parking spaces, please do not park in non-designated areas.

• With effect from Monday 19th January, vehicles without Tenby stickers will not be admitted to the school without security checks. If you have not yet got a sticker then please obtain one from the school office as soon as possible and certainly before the 19th.

• All parents except those of students in the Early Years Centre are now expected to have left the school campus by 8.00am. Parents of early year students should leave immediately after passing their children in to the care of the Tenby staff.

• If you wish to see any member of the school staff we would ask that wherever possible you make an appointment to do so in advance. The guard-house will have a list of parents and other visitors with appointments at the school each day. All parents and other visitors during the school day should please report to the school reception desk in the Administrative Building.
• All vehicles arriving at the school campus between 8.00am and 1.50pm will be subject to security checks at the guard-house. (Vehicles with Early Years stickers will be permitted to enter the school campus between 8.00am and 8.30am to drop off their children and again from 1.00pm to pick them up.)

• All adults on the school campus will be expected to be wearing identity tags at all times. Anyone not doing so is liable to be questioned by members of the school or security staff.

• Identity tags for parents are available from the school reception office. If you come into school regularly, for example to drop off and pick up your child, then please apply for an identity tag.

• Identity tags are also available for “Drivers”. These are for access, drop-off and pick-up only. Drivers should not leave their vehicles or enter the school buildings or Tenby Square.

We appreciate that these arrangements may cause some inconvenience, however our prime concern must always be the safe management and security of all the students at the school.

**TIS Primary Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/teacher conferences will take place for Nursery to Year 6 children during the week of January 12th, 2009. These are held to give you the opportunity to meet with your child’s class teacher to discuss your child’s report and general progress. It will be a chance to raise any issues that you may like to share as well as devise strategies to use between home and school.

As appointments are only for 10-15 minutes, please try to arrive in time. If you are unable to see the class teachers at the time specified, please re-arrange another appointment time. All consultations will be held in the class teachers’ respective class rooms.

**Medical Services**

We are very pleased to inform parents that we have now appointed a fully qualified and experienced school nurse. Nurse Kam joined us at the start of this term and is based in our new medical room situated in the cafeteria area next to the stairs to the library. Please make sure that the school is kept informed of any medical conditions affecting your children.

**Communications**

We are aware of how frustrating it can sometimes be in trying to make telephone contact with the school and are looking into how we can improve matters. In the meantime however please note the following extension numbers:

- Tenby International School Secretary 108
- Sekolah Sri Tenby Secretary 106
- Admissions 102
- Accounts 128
- Administration 130
- School Nurse 133

Best Regards,

Robert Lloyd
Director of Education
Greetings from the Principal & Updates for Sekolah Sri Tenby

On behalf of my entire staff of Sekolah Sri Tenby, I wish all parents “A very Happy New Year”. Our new school, Sekolah Sri Tenby started very well on 5th January 2009 with five levels for Primary and 3 levels for Secondary with a total of 10 classes and a full team of 23 teachers. Our Staff consists of the following :-

Principal : Pn Lee Mei Leng
Deputy Principal : Pn Phoon Pooi Lan
Co-curriculum Coordinator : En Kok Tuck Khow

Teachers
Bahasa Malaysia : En Abu Sahid Bin Jaafar
En Syahril Bin Othman (Std 3S)
En Selvam Narayanasamy (Form 4S)
En Seravanan Muniandy (Form 2S)

English : Pn Amirthavalli Arjunun (Std 4S)
En Kok Tuck Khow
Pn Kiran A/p R Belani (Form 1S)

Mathematics : Pn Shiamala Magasvaran (Std 1M)
Pn Tsai Chen Chien (Form 1M)
Pn Phoon Pooi Lan

Science : Pn Wong Yong Hui (Std 1S)
Pn Saw Hooi Chin

Biology : Cik Chang Kuai Peng

Chemistry : Pn Saw Hooi Chin

Physics / ICT : En Ch’ng Teng Hong

Kemahiran Hidup : En Woo Ah Chee

Pendidikan Moral : Pn Quah Swee Suan (Std 5S)
En Seravanan Muniandy
En Woo Ah Chee

Pendidikan Islam : Ustaz Mohd Najib B Md Kassim

Pendidikan Jasmani & Kesihatan : Pn Quah Swee Suan
En Woo Ah Chee

Kajian Tempatan : En Kwa Wei Choon

Bahasa Cina : Pn Ho Chin Chui (Std 2S)
Cik Lim Siew Fung

Pendidikan Seni Visual : En Kwa Wei Choon
Pendidikan Muzik : Cik Serene Ong
Prinsip Akaun : Pn Munjiah Shaari
Asistant Teacher : Pn Loo Fee Lin

The Home Room teachers are the teachers with their classes mentioned after their names in the list above.

Our ICT Programme

We follow the NCC Education Computer Pioneers which is using the British curriculum. Students who are registered with NCC will be sitting for the external examination at the end of each term. More information will be distributed to all parents through their children next week.

The registration fees for NCC are given as follows :

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The fees include registration, examination, course materials (workbook, educational software, equipment & certification). Fees are to be paid by 22nd January 2009.

Choice Of Basic/Advanced Syllabus for the Chinese Language

An assessment test has been carried out for all classes from Std 2 till Form 2 to determine students who are able to follow which one of the two syllabus types i.e. either the Basic or the Advanced. Students have been informed by their teachers the result of the assessment and the books will be available in the school Book Shop for purchase starting from 15th January 2009.

Swimming During PE Lessons

Swimming lessons will start this week. Please remind your children to bring their swimming attire along on the day of their PE lesson.

‘Sun Smart’ Policy

This policy which requires all primary students to wear our school hat when they play outdoors is also applicable to Sekolah Sri Tenby.

Workbooks/ Books Required

The following books are required to be purchased from the school Book Shop starting from the 15th January 2009 for further reinforcement of the subjects taught.

Primary
Music Manuscript Book

Bahasa Malaysia
Std 1 Praktis Topikal Bahasa Malaysia Pelangi

Pendidikan Moral
Std 1 – 5 Pro B.L.A Pendidikan Moral Sasbadi
Submission Of Forms Distributed

All forms distributed on Orientation Day and on 6th January 2009 must be returned completed to the Reception Counter latest by 14 January 2009.

These forms are as follows :-
1) Health Questionaire (Green)
2) Syllabus Choice for Chinese Language(Pink)
3) Choice for CCAs

Advice from the Principal

Parents of Primary Students are advised to look into the organisation of books in the children’s school bag for each of the school days. The Class Timetable is already distributed to all students.
Please also remind them where to keep their locker key and to bring their wallet to purchase food in the Cafeteria during breaks (i.e. until the smart card is ready)

As for all students, we seek your cooperation to oversee your children doing the Home Work at home.

Thank you.

Best Regards,
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