Dear Parents,

**Dates for Your Diary**

- **Hari Raya Holiday**: Thursday 09.09.10 – Friday 17.09.10.
- **INSET**: Monday 18.10.10. School closed for students
- **Deepavali Holiday**: Thursday 04.11.10 – Friday 05.11.10.
- **Hari Raya Haji**: Wednesday 17.11.10.
- **End of Term 3 (SST)**: Tuesday 30.11.10.
- **End of Term 1 (TIS)**: Friday 03.12.10.
- **Start of Term 2 (TIS) & Term 1 (SST)**: Monday 03.01.2011.
- **INSET**: Monday 24.01.11. School closed for students
- **Chinese New Year Holiday**: Monday 31.01.11. – Friday 04.02.11.
- **Thaipusam Holiday**: Tuesday 08.02.11.
- **Birthday of Prophet Muhammad**: Tuesday 15.02.11
- **End of Term 2 (TIS) & Term 1 (SST)**: Friday 08.04.11.
- **Start of Term 2 (TIS)**: Wednesday 20.04.11
- **Start of Term 3 (TIS)**: Monday 25.04.11.
- **Labour Day Replacement Holiday**: Monday 02.05.11.
- **Wesak Day Holiday**: Wednesday 11.05.11.
- **Mid-term Holiday**: *new date inserted*
- **End of Term 3 (TIS)**: Friday 22.07.11.
- **End of Term 2 (SST)**: Wednesday 27.07.11.

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**Weekly Newsletter**

Most written communication is channelled via the weekly newsletter which is accessible only on the school website: [http://www.tenby.edu.my/setiaecopark/newsletter](http://www.tenby.edu.my/setiaecopark/newsletter). Newsletters will be uploaded on Fridays or Saturdays of each week.

**Hari Raya Holidays**

Please be informed that all departments (administrative & academic) at the school will be closed from Monday 13.09.10 to Friday 17.09.10.

**TIS: New Staff**

Here is a little introduction about themselves from the teaching members of staff.

**Shum Swee Ting (NT)**

Hi! I am Shum Swee Ting. Teaching young children is my passion. I have been teaching in preschools for 15 years and I still love it. My previous attachment was as a principal in a kindergarten of 250 children. I hope my tenure in Tenby will be a great and wonderful adventure!

**Sirlinder Kaur (SE)**

I've been teaching for 20 years. I started out teaching in the local schools and moved on to International schools in 1999. The last school was Garden International School where I taught there for 9 years.

**Kaswinee Ganesh (Assistant Teacher)**

I'm Kaswinee Ganesh and I have just completed my Bachelors Degree in TESL. I have some experience teaching secondary students and am currently looking forward to new experiences with primary children.

**Kaelvle Krisnashamy (Assistant Teacher)**

Hi, my name is Kaelvle Krisnashamy. I have recently completed a Bachelors Degree in TESL which I thoroughly enjoyed. I believe in life-long learning and I am looking forward to improving upon my skills whilst working with the primary children and teachers at Tenby.
Daini Navaratnam (2N)
My name is Daini Navaratnam and I am the new Year 2 teacher. I enjoy working with children and I am happy to be part of the Tenby family.

Jane Slingsby (HoD English)
Moving to Malaysia has been exciting, interesting and rewarding, and I can't wait to explore this diverse country. Having taught in the UK and in Egypt, it has been a real revelation to come to a place where individuality is embraced and respected. I have found the staff and students here to be hardworking and inspirational and I'm really looking forward to my future at Tenby.

Rohayati Abd. Rahman (Science - Physics)
Hi, my name is Rohayati Abd. Rahman and I’m teaching Physics from Year 8 - 11. I have just recently returned to Malaysia after staying abroad for almost 18 years. I completed my degree in Mechanical Engineering from Michigan Technological University in Michigan USA and had a wonderful experience working with Hitachi and Motorola for few short years. I started teaching Science and Physics about 4 years ago. I am very excited about the opportunity I have at Tenby and armed with my experience and dedication, I am looking forward to a new challenge.

Philip Sanderson (Humanities - Geography)
Hello my name is Mr. Sanderson and I teach Geography. I have been teaching in the UK for the last 6 years and have always wanted to teach at an international school. I am looking forward to teaching the students of TENBY the most interesting, dynamic and exciting subject of all – Geography!! I believe learning about different countries, cultures, traditions and environments, helps students develop a greater understanding of the world in which we live in.

Yap Lai Ken (Humanities - Business Studies & Economics)
I am pleased to continue to be a part of the Tenby community. In the coming school year, I will be teaching in the Humanities Department wherein I look forward to applying my practical experiences and bringing current events to students’ coursework.

Patricia Devanandan (Mathematics)
I came to Tenby International School after completing my Mathematics degree. I’m looking forward to working with Key Stage 3 and 4 pupils. I have a passion for Mathematics with the door always open for any pupils that might need further assistance. In my spare time I like to keep fit with badminton being my favourite sport.

Iain Stevens (SENCo)
Iain Stevens comes to the Tenby International School as the SENCo based in The Learning Centre. He has spent the last 10 years of his teaching career working within a Special School in the UK where he was also a Head of Department. Mr. Stevens very much looks forward to working across all the Key Stages within the school. Outside of school Mr. Stevens likes to keep active and follows the football in the UK supporting West Bromwich Albion.

Rinnie Russo (EAL Teacher)
I have been teaching EAL for the past 6 years and look forward to working with Tenby International school students. I have a passion for languages and I speak Italian, French, Malay and Indonesian fluently. I am also an interpreter for the Italian Embassy. I love music and dancing in my spare time.

Robert Mugridge (Head of Design Technology)
I have been in Malaysia since August 2000 and found it very difficult to leave. I’ve spent much of my time off road in the jungle and even more time at the mamak stalls! My favourite food is udang petai. I am looking forward to guiding Tenby students on the wonderful journey of creative design.

Donald Horvath (Humanities - History)
I am from a very small town in the North island of New Zealand called Waipukurau. I am married with two children, and a dog called Max. On the weekends in New Zealand I could usually be found hunting or fishing. Prior to becoming a teacher, I had worked for many years with people who were disabled, and spent a number of years self-employed. One of the highlights of my teaching career certainly has been coming to teach in Malaysia.
Kamalini Achan (English Teacher)
Kamalini Achan, who has recently joined us has a passion for teaching and creativity. She is a trained teacher and has specialised in preparing students for the O Level examinations.

Lee Shok Sean (Mandarin)
Hello! I am Ms. Lee. I taught Mandarin in an international school in Indonesia for 3 years. I am really happy to join TIS and hope that every student will enjoy their Mandarin lessons.

‘Meet and Greet’ Meeting for Early Years – Year 7
Parents are given an opportunity to meet with their child’s class teacher (primary) and form tutor/subject teachers (Year 7) to find out more about the routines and expectations for each year group/class. Please note that this is not a time for teachers to report on individual progress. The meetings will take place at the following times:

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USPSR Examinations
These examinations will start from Tuesday 21st until Thursday 23rd September. Every child has already been given the examination timetable and a copy of this timetable is on the whiteboard outside the Bahasa Cina Room (Ground Floor) for reference.

Students must be in school by 7.30am and report to the teachers in their homeroom before entering the Auditorium by 7.50am.

Parents should not pick up their children in front of the Auditorium throughout this examination period as this area is out of bounds. The only pick-up point is the Cafeteria.

Pre-Examination Progress Reports (Std 6S, Form 3S & Form 5S)
These progress reports will be handed to parents in a file every fortnight. Please sign and return reports to the Homeroom Teachers the following day. Parents are expected to monitor their children’s progress and revision at home before the public examinations. The first reports were given out on Wednesday 8th September.

Maybank and Moneytree Financial Literacy Programme for Years 7 – 9
The financial literacy programme spanning four lessons will take place for students in Years 7 – 9 starting this week.

Use of Students’ Toilets by Adults
Please note that drivers, maids and parents are not permitted to use the toilets in the students’ changing rooms in the Sports Pavilion. Kindly inform your drivers and maids of this. The only toilets that may be used by drivers, maids and parents are located in the Foyer of the Administration Block.

Lost & Found Items
Just a reminder that the school does not keep lost property. Therefore, please ensure that your child’s belongings are clearly labelled with their name and class. This includes uniform, socks, PE Kit, mobile phones, wallets, shoes, socks, watches, classes, pencil cases, text books, thumb drives, water bottles exercise books, food containers etc. Only named items will be returned.

Car Pooling
The following request has been made for car pooling. If you are able to assist, please contact the persons below:

1. Area : in Bangsar & Damansara Heights
   No. of Children : 3 (Year 3, 5 & Nursery)
   Contact Person : Lian 017-3322832
2. Area : Taman Danau Desa, Taman Desa
   No. of Children : 1 (Year 1)
   Contact Person : Elly 016-6446984
School Dismissal
Parents are reminded to be punctual to pick up their children after school. Please give clear instructions to your children to wait to be picked up at the cafeteria only (Std 1-Year 3 upwards). Teachers on duty do not allow children to walk down the road to be picked up elsewhere.

Any students who are not picked up by 2.45pm will be sent to a classroom.

U18 Tennis Trial (From Ms. Warnes)
These trials will be held on Wednesday 29th September from 2.40pm – 3.40pm on the tennis courts with Ms. Warnes. The squad will comprise of 8 girls and 8 boys and training will be on Wednesdays at 2.40-3.40pm. Players attending the trials should be performing at club or state level.

Sports Updates
Cross Country
The annual ISAKL cross country will this year be hosted by JSKL and the venue is Bukit Jalil Park. The event is on Saturday the 2nd October and any interested pupils from Year 3 to Year 11 should see any of the PE staff for more details. Athletes are encouraged to build up their training intensity in preparation for this event. Distances covered will be 1.5km (U9 & U11), 3km (U13 & U15) and 5km (O15).

Swimming
The annual ISAKL swim meet will be held in December. Swimmers interested in representing the school should sign up for swimming CCA and speak to their PE teacher for more details. There will be a friendly meet on the 22nd October at the Australian International School in preparation for this event.

Duathlons/Triathlons
There are numerous duathlons and triathlons this term for various age groups. This is a great way to monitor improvements in your fitness as well as an opportunity to make new friends in other international schools. See Mr Danny for more details.

Upcoming Events
- Tuesday, 21st September – Senior Boys’ and Girls’ Soccer (Friendly) @ ISKL
- Tuesday, 21st September – Senior Boys’ Volleyball (Friendly) @ ISKL
- 24-26th September – Senior Boys’ and Girls’ Soccer Tournament @ Dalat, Penang
- Saturday, 2nd October – Senior Girls Soccer Tournament @ ISKL
- Saturday, 2nd October – U9-U18 Boys’ and Girls’ X-Country @ Bukit Jalil Park
- Saturday, 9th October – Senior Boys’ Volleyball Tournament @ ISKL
- Saturday, 9th October – Senior Boys’ Soccer Tournament @ ISKL (TBC)

Extra Football Coaching (From Mr. MacInnes)
There will be additional football coaching on offer for Primary and Secondary pupils from SST and TIS to be held on Saturday mornings. Details as follows:-

Date : Saturday mornings from Saturday 25th September until the end of next term.

Time : Primary (U9 & U11) will take place from 08:00 – 09:30am. Secondary (U13-U15) will take place from 09:30 - 11:00am.

Venue : Tenby School, Setia Eco Park

Coach : Players will be coached by Amir Haiqah, a former professional football player in Malaysia.

Fee : RM180.00

If you would like to book your son/daughter a place for these coaching sessions, please complete the form below. Payment must be received via cheque only made payable to ‘Tenby World Sdn Bhd.’ Completed forms and payment should be handed directly to Coach Amir at the first session.

Please note that parents/guardians are responsible for arranging transport for their child(ren) both to and from school.
Wishing all Muslims ‘Selamat Hari Raya’ and to those who do not celebrate Hari Raya, have a good holiday.

Jane Kuok
Principal
Tenby International School

Lee Mei Leng
Principal
Sekolah Sri Tenby

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**Extra Football Coaching For All Students**

Completed forms and payment should be handed directly to Coach Amir at the first session.

Name of Student: .................................................................    Class: ..........................
Date of Birth: .........................................      Gender: .......................

I am aware that, while every precaution has been taken to ensure the safety of my child in this school activity, I do not hold the teacher-in-charge or the School responsible for any mishap or untoward incident that happens prior to, during or after the said activity.

Signature: ..................................................      Date: .......................
Name of Parent/Guardian: .................................................................

In case of an emergency, name of contact person: ............................................................
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