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First of all I would like to say a big thank you to all members of the school community for an enjoyable and successful year. Wonderful students, dedicated staff and supportive parents all make a winning formula and looking back over a year that has contained so many sporting events, Arts Week, our Music Festival and all of the trips, assemblies and celebrations that have made up our calendar, we can all enjoy the satisfaction of a job well done as well as the prospect of a good rest.

On a personal note I am very sad to be leaving this school so quickly. On arrival I had thought that I would be here for at least three or four years, but working for a successful group like Tenby does bring many different opportunities and I am looking forward to my new role immensely. It will be strange to think of going to ‘the office’ after thirty years of my working life going ‘to school’, but I am happy that I am staying in Ipoh and look forward to visiting the school as Director of Education. I wish my successor, Ms Jane Kuok, every happiness and success in her new role and know that the school is in very capable hands.

I would like to thank the Senior Management Team for everything that they have done to make the school run so well this year; they are an able and dedicated team. I would like to say a special thank you to Neil Page, who has been in charge when I have not been around the campus for his cheerful and unflappable approach and real care for all members of the community.

A short while ago we canvassed the opinion of parents on some proposed changes to the school timings, especially on Fridays with a view to increasing teaching contact time. We have made one or two adjustments to our timings, not least to ensure a calmer dismissal on Fridays and these new timings are published later in this newsletter. These will take effect from August 10th when Sekolah Tenby and our Sixth Form return from their summer holidays. There will be further review and consultation in the new academic year.

As we finish the term tomorrow with our Hari Raya assembly, I wish everyone a happy, safe and restful holiday.

With best wishes,

Howard Bullock.
Firstly, I would like to proffer my deepest thanks to Mr. Howard Bullock who has led the Campus for the last 12 months. Back in January 2014 when he was appointed Campus Principal, and I was made Head of International Secondary, we spent time having regular chats via Skype, on how he was relishing leaving Astana and I leaving Addis Ababa. The Campus SMT has been a happy and productive one, and having Howard there to call upon has been fantastic. On behalf of the wider TISSI community, I would like to wish him a fond farewell and hope that he has every success in his new role down the road in Greentown as Group Director of Education of Tenby Schools.

It is hard to believe that a whole school year has been and gone. Having ‘bedded in’ to the school in the final term of the last academic year, I was excited about being part of a wonderful school for the entire academic calendar. It has been a very good year from terrific success at IGCSE and A-Levels, outstanding sporting events, a superb Music Festival, a dazzling Arts Week, and capped off most recently with amazing Checkpoint results. This modest list is just a handful of things that have gone well this year, the others are too many to list. For all those people playing a part in our success, my profound thanks to one and all.

On Wednesday 8th July we held our Years 7 & 8 Parent-Teacher conferences. The turn-out was amazing with 77% in attendance to process the end of year reports, and to meet teachers, and no doubt hear them wax lyrical about all of our very able learners. Prior to this we had our first ever Parent Forum, and naturally this was specifically targeting the parents of students in Years 7 & 8. We had 19 parents there, and the discussions were lively and robust. There were
lots of points raised, and as we return to school in early September, I will be sharing the minutes of this meeting with the entire Years 7 & 8 parent body. At the time of writing this article, we are busy preparing for our upcoming Years 9 & 10 Parent Forum, and Parent-Teacher conferences, scheduled for Tuesday 14th July. Building strong and committed partnerships between school and home allows the school to move forward.

Open Day was thrust upon the Campus at relatively short notice, but boy did our TISSI teachers and students make their mark. To mobilise 30+ teachers, and then get around 200 students involved was a stunning achievement – so well done to all involved. I think the response from the TISSI teaching team and the students most aptly reflected the fact that we all love this school, and will always go the extra mile to make ourselves better and stronger. It is likely that we will be doing more of these Open Days in the coming months, and I know that the TISSI community will step up.

Our 6th Form students have been out and about in various different venues from UTAR Kampar and Ave Maria Convent School, representing the school by performing their Shakespearean plays. On top of this, they continue to be involved in various global perspective debates, one of which falls inside the vacation period. Good luck to our students, and we know in our mature adult learners in 6th form that we have students in which we are rightly proud of.

Last week was arguably one of my best days of the year, and certainly for this term. It was our KS3 and KS4 Rewards Assembly. My thanks to Mr. Ian Hayes and Mr. Ricky Singh who did a sterling job in getting things organized. The fact that I am now suffering from RSI (repetitive strain injury) having signed literally mountains of reports, reflects just how dedicated our learners all are to pushing themselves to meet or exceed their target grades. A summary will be given by our Key Stage Coordinators within this edition.

To all of our departing students, we bid your farewell and wish you every success as you join a new school. As students depart, so inevitably must some of our teachers also. We say good bye to the following teachers: Ms. Wong Mae Ze, Ms. Amy Wong, Mr. Jeremy Lau, Mr. Ian Hayes and Miss Nikki Sullivan. Each of these dedicated practitioners has brought success to their role within the school, and more important success to the learners under their charge. Whether it departing students or teachers, please keep in touch and let us share in your future news and triumphs.

On Sunday 12th July, 6 Tenby Ipoh Parent took on 7 Tenby Ipoh Teachers in a fun match of golf and for a newly purchased trophy that will be played for annually. Mr. Andrew Lowery has been given the chance to write this up in this edition, so watch out for it later in this newsletter. Suffice to say, after a very enjoyable 18 holes, followed by a lengthy discussion in the 19th hole, the Parents were victorious 128 – 125 points. Well done to the Parent team, and we will be pulling out all the stops to win it back next year.

The final concluding message is to the parents of our incredible learners. Let your children rest and take a well-deserved break. In the long run, it simply will not serve your children well if they are driven straight into 6 weeks of tuition, as they will not get to recharge their batteries for the challenges that lie ahead. Have a vacation, spend some time together as a tight-knit family, go for day trips, have a cycle ride, play some sport, but above all else, switch off from work.

Have a magical vacation, and although I will be in Kenya for the first couple of weeks of the holiday, I will be back in Ipoh from August 3rd onwards. Should you need to get an email to me, or pop in and see me in August, my door as ever is always open.

Neil David Page
Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we reach the end of yet another school year, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your help, support and interest this year. We have had another very busy and successful year in school and you, as partners in the education of your children, deserve much of the credit for that. Throughout the holiday please do keep checking the website: http://www.tenby.edu.my/ipoh. We will continue to update it throughout the school vacation.

Your Child’s New Class: The new classes were posted on Wednesday in A and B blocks. These class allocations were made by class teachers who have used their knowledge of the children and the dynamics of particular groupings to ensure that children were placed fairly. School policy is that after allocations are made that children will not change class. Please allow your child settling time into their new class with new teacher. Classes have not changed significantly from this year.

Class Teachers for September:


Thank You:

We are very fortunate to have a number of people who work tirelessly throughout the year to ensure that our school is able to do its best for your children. All of these people give their time, energy and enthusiasm, often working unseen, unnoticed, above and beyond what is asked of them and to them we say thank you:

- The Teaching Staff and Teaching Assistants; not only for their dedication to teaching, but also for the pastoral care they give the children and for their own individual contributions to creating a warm, welcoming and vibrant school community.
- Ms. Shona; for the support she has given the staff this year and for all the work she has done in the school office.
- The school Administration staff; for their dedication and supportive help to us in the Primary section.
- Mr Loo and the maintenance and cleaning team; for their great work in keeping on top the gardening, school grounds and making certain that our wonderful cleaners kept the school tidy at all times.

The PA for their insight and help to me as the new Head of Primary, in developing this section of the school.

Finally, I would like remind each and every parent that you are all very welcome to come into school to talk to either me, or any of my team. It is vitally important that we listen to you first hand so that we can work together to sort out any issues or problems that may have arisen. Please do not hesitate to make arrangements to meet with me or the staff member when you want to talk. I am looking forward to working with you over the course of the next school year.

David Key
From the Head of Sekolah Tenby

Warmest greetings to all.

In conjunction with Parents’ Day, a Colouring Contest was organized by the UOB Ipoh Branch from the 1st – 12th June 2015 for school children in the 7 – 9 years age group. We are proud to announce that our KSSR students swept the top three prizes. Congratulations to the following students for their achievements:

Healesya a/p T. Ellanggovan (KSSR 3A) – Champion
Ivan Pang Hoe Yan (KSSR 1) – 1st runner-up
Ally Chen Yik Yi (KSSR 1) – 2nd runner-up

Two of our KSSR 6A students, Arwin Nannya and Lim Li Ann also did us proud with their excellent performance in the Cambridge Primary Checkpoint which was held in April 2015. Both of them scored a maximum of 6.0 for all three subjects, English, Mathematics and Science. Well done and keep it up! I hope your success will spur you to work even harder and motivate the other students to emulate your success in the coming UPSR Examination.

Wishing all our teachers and students a very enjoyable term break and to all our Muslim staff and students, ‘Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri’.

Choong Chee Kong

Li Ann & Arwin.
Dear Parents/Guardians,

It’s hard to believe that another academic year is coming to a close. Wow! What a great year it has been — the year has been an eventful one with many interesting and enjoyable activities. As the term comes to an end, I would like to thank many people at TEYCI.

To the parents and guardians, I just want to encourage you to acknowledge your child for an excellent year. Many thanks for your care and support in all school events especially your generosity and compassion during the Nepal Earthquake Relief donation drive which has been inspirational and truly promoted a positive school climate.

My acknowledgment would not be complete without saying thanks to our strong staff. I appreciate each and every one of them for their dedication, hard work, humor and sensitivity to the needs of our students. Most of all I appreciate them being there with me during every success and also in more difficult times.

In the meantime, our Year 1 students were ferried to Tenby School, Meru Raya for a transition visit on Tuesday, 7th July 2015 in order to familiarise themselves with the school and classroom environment. They were taken on a tour by our teachers Ms Janel Kong and Ms Arveen together with Ms Susan Chai, the KS1 coordinator and Mr David Chu. The children were shown where the library, canteen, ICT rooms were and to other areas where they will be moving around. They came back with full excitement and their facial expression showed that they can’t wait to start their new term in a bigger school and the new environment which has more facilities come September, 2015.

From the Head of Tenby Early Years Centre, Ipoh (TEYCI)
The Meet - the Parents session (Parents’ Evening) on Thursday, 9th July 2015, went on smoothly with most of the classes having 85% to 90% attendance. We could see how enthusiastic parents were in their children’s academic and overall performance. Some shared their concerns about their child’s progress while many acknowledged our teachers’ contribution in guiding the children but most of all appreciated the school for the effort taken to make learning fun.

Having said this, over the summer vacation, the teachers and I strongly encourage all parents to read to your child every day, practise handwriting in both upper and lower case and practise counting - both orally and in writing. Doing one or two of these activities each day over the holidays will help keep your child’s skills sharp. Moreover, they will more than ready to face the challenges as they move to the next level.

We wish you all a happy and safe summer break. For those families and children who will be moving to other schools or leaving during the term or over the holiday break, we will miss you; but we wish you all the best with your new learning journey. Thank you for all the wonderful times that we have shared with you at our Early Years Centre. For those returning to us in September, we look forward to welcoming you back and hearing all about your summer break.

For your information, the Holiday Enrichment programme is on till 21st August 2015 and many of our children have signed up for it. We are pleased to inform you that the pick-up time for the Afternoon Enrichment will be extended to 6.00pm starting September 2015.

To all our Muslim families, the staff and children would like to wish all of you “Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri, Maaf Zahir Batin”. Have a joyous celebration with your loved ones.

Happy Holidays everyone!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Puvanes Mahendran
Dear Parents and Guardians

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of the school year, and wow, what a year it’s been! We have covered a lot of material and participated in many fun and exciting activities. We have had some great events and have seen some wonderful assemblies. All children are well on their way to developing skills needed for their move to either Reception or Year 1. More importantly, we have made many new friends along the way.

Each of your children have brought such joy and happiness to our classrooms. We were fortunate to have had such a wonderful group of children. It has also been a pleasure getting to know not only your children, but you as well. Having parental support and open lines of communication is an essential part of any school year. Thank you for all you have done to support your children this year, it has helped to make their year fulfilling and memorable.

It is always a bitter sweet time of year for teachers and TAs. To see our classes almost a year older and wiser fills us with pride, but we also feel a tinge of sadness that they are no longer in our care. Hopefully they will visit their old teachers once in a while!

On behalf of the Early Years team, I hope everyone has a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in the new school year.

Kind regards,

Samantha Leuty
From Ms Nikki Sullivan

To the wonderful Tenby Schools, Ipoh community.

It is with a heavy heart that I write this farewell message to you all. It has been my privilege to work as part of the TISSI team over the past 2 years. I have met some wonderful people who are a credit to their profession – whether it be teaching or support staff.

What strikes me most as I look back over my time at Tenby, are the amazing accomplishments of our students who continue to rise up to the challenges we put before them. They are an astounding group of young people – an astounding group of individuals, each with their own unique personalities and talents, which we must value and recognise.

For some, a vital part of their journey is in recognising their success in coming off report and improving their attitude to learning – with that little bit of support from staff along the way. For others, it will be in recognising their success in achieving all ‘outstanding’ Attitude to Learning levels.

For some, a vital part of their journey is in recognising their success in raising their hand to answer a question in class. For others, it will be in recognising their success in school leadership and giving them the opportunity to become a Prefect or to be involved in a whole school event.

For some, a vital part of their journey is in recognising their talents, whether it be in the Arts, Sports, Languages, Maths or any other of the subjects and extra-curricular opportunities that we offer.

We must always recognise all of these achievements and successes and allow the students to shine – as unique individuals.

The students are polite, hardworking and driven. They are a credit to the school. The students are what make Tenby Schools, Ipoh such a phenomenal place to work. The students are an inspiration. It has been a pleasure to be part of their education and I wish them all the success that they deserve.

To the Parents / Guardians and the wider Tenby Schools community: Thank you for your support and feedback. Thank you also to those Parents / Guardians who have supported our school events – your contributions are invaluable and you truly help to make this a school community.

To the staff: working in a school, in any role, is a profession and not a job. Any role in a school contributes to a students’ education and therefore contributes to a students’ life – their well-being – their happiness – their future. Never forget the outstanding difference that you make day after day – let the students inspire you to give of your best in order that they can give of their best.

My time in Malaysia is full of happy memories and happy faces – thank you all for being part of it and for welcoming me into your wonderful country and wonderful school.

Keep smiling 😊
From Mr Ian Hayes

Goodbye!

My two years at Tenby has flown by, and I must say it has been an absolute pleasure working with such great colleagues and students. There have been some very memorable moments for me during my time here in Malaysia. My first time arriving at school and meeting my form 8 Blue, reaching the top of Mt. Kinabalu with my friends from Tenby, and of course tasting my first durian and almost passing out, will be memories that I will hold dear forever.

Firstly I’d like to thank my colleagues across all the schools at Tenby Ipoh. I’ve made some true friends and I hope to keep in touch with you all. When I first arrived the welcoming atmosphere and helpfulness shown to me by the other teachers and staff really stood out for me.

Secondly I’d like to thank the parents for their support and positivity. I’ve very much enjoyed meeting and chatting to you all at parent’s evenings and social events and the students at Tenby really are a credit to you all.

Finally and most importantly I’d like to thank the Tenby students. I have to say you really are the best I have ever taught. Not only are you respectful, friendly, and extremely hardworking, but you also have great personalities, plus a bit of cheekiness at times, which has made teaching you extremely rewarding and fun for me. I know teachers probably always say this when they leave, but we really do remember the students we teach, and I wish you the best of luck in your future education and lives.

Farewell, and I hope to see you all again.
Year 6 Assembly

On Friday 3rd July Year 6 invited parents, staff and students of Years 3 to 5 to the ‘Tenby Globe Theatre’, to enjoy a performance of drama, music and dance.

The Year 6 students are on the edge of leaving Primary school, and they wanted to celebrate this significant milestone by sharing their creativity and artistry. Some were performing with their friends for the last time.

Demonstrating the theme of international mindedness which underpins our School’s approach to education, Year 6 collected stories from across the globe which have stood the test of time, surviving many generations, even millennia, as popular folk tales. The personal qualities of morality and personal growth, which are common to all humanity, were also among the thematic strands of the production.

The performance truly belonged to our fantastic students who work so hard to succeed in school this year. Every child who wished for one had a speaking part in the show. The students also had responsibility for their own script editing, costumes, props and backdrops, and will provide their own sound effects, lighting, and set removal as well.

The production was a hugely successful demonstration of the Tenby vision – a united world at peace – with teachers and students working in harmony.

Thank you to those parents who attended and well done to all students who work so hard to make the show a success.

Mr. Lowery & Mrs. Kumar.
Year 6 Graduating Classes of 2015

Year 6 Blue with Mrs Kamini Kumar.

Year 6 Green with Mr Andrew Lowery.
Year 6 Graduation Night 2015

Last Friday night, on the 10th July, the Year 6 students celebrated their graduation ceremony with a night of dinner, song and dance.

The night was a celebration of their final year in Primary school before they venture into Secondary school in September. Teachers joined in the fun filled evening which included singing performances by the trio Ashley Shannen Anog Cortez, Ryan Teh, Daniel Teng. Another song featuring Jayshree Ravichandaran, Marybel Rodriguez and Meressa Melwyn Crasto. The group comprising of Adreena Ellyza Binti Zulherick, Tharinni Ravendaran, Rachel Lam, Vanessa Lee and Phoebe Chor danced to Maroon 5’s song “Maps”.

The climax of the evening was the presentation of certificates to the Year 6 students and special awards to our top achievers for the Cambridge Primary Checkpoint Examinations - Nashat Zaman and Mohamed Baasim Isa, both of whom scored perfect sixes in their exams.

The night concluded with students and teachers getting on the dance floor and dancing the night away! It was a wonderful night which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone in attendance.

A huge thank you to all the teachers and students who contributed their time and effort into making this a memorable night that our dear Year 6 students will remember for many years to come.

We wish our Year 6 students all the best of luck in Secondary school. We will miss you!

Mrs Kumar & Mr Lowery.

Interact Club - Installation of the New Board for 2015/2016

On Friday 3rd of July 2015, from 2.00 pm till 4.30 pm, the Interact Club of Tenby Schools Ipoh hosted their annual Installation day which aimed to usher in the new board members in preparation for the new Interact Year and at the same time thank and relieve the previous board members of their duties.

The event officially started at 2:00 pm and our guests arrived with timed precision. The Rotary Club of Greentown, Principals of Tenby Schools Ipoh and external Interactors were among the invited guests. The Installation began with a speech by Mr Neil David Page, Head of International Secondary on behalf of Mr Howard Bullock, our Campus Principal. Mr Uithayakumar, President of Rotary Club of Greentown’s speech followed suit.

Past President, Annisa Afandi in her speech, spoke of her appreciation for her Board and the school allowing her an opportunity to lead the Club for 2014/2015. She also projected several community service ventures and fundraising activities for the attendees. The newly elected President Toh Jo-ey addressed the crowd and lined up activities for her term in office. She also thanked everyone for the support and encouragement to lead the ‘busiest’ CCA in the school.

A buffet high tea was served for all present. Lined up performances from Lara Alina Zaman from Year 9 was a dance to the tune of “Let It Go” by Passenger. Her graceful and mesmerizing movements impressed the audience. This was followed by Dawn, who is the sister of our Secretary, Deborah Howell, and her friend Ming, who did their remix of various popular songs.
The main event, which was the Investiture Ceremony, began with the following students being installed as elected office bearers of Tenby Schools Interact Club Board for 2015/2016 by Mr Uithayakumar and Mr Neil Page:

President - Toh Jo-Ey
Vice-President - Desmond Yeoh
Secretary - Deborah Howell
Treasurer - Lisa Elizabeth Finney
Funding Director - Areena Erika Zulherick
IU Director - Amera Irissy
Community Service Director - Margaret Lim
Publicity Director - Adlina Kamilia
Club Service Director - Audrey Chang
Sergeant-at-arms - Mohd Igbal

The members installed had their group photos taken followed by Interactors of Form 5 and Year 11 who had their certificates presented by Mr Choong and Mr Page respectively in recognition of their services to the Club. A certificate to inaugurate the change of name of our club from Tenby International School Interact Club to "Tenby Schools Ipoh Interact Club" was presented by Rotary Club of Greentown Past President Mr Sathyamoorthy to Mr Neil Page.

Next, the emcees (Desmond Yeoh and Cindy Lim Hui Bing) from Year 10 performed a song entitled Bright by Echosmith. Further performance by our very own talented Interactors Baek Ye won and Chaiw Ern Ni was well received. A group of Interactors then showed their support by waving flashlights in the air which was a truly dazzling sight. Finally appreciation gifts in the form of button badges were handed out to the visitors including teachers, Rotarians and Interactors. At 3:30pm the event officially ended but continued among all Interactors with icebreaking games. Tearful goodbyes ended the day.

A huge thank you to the School Management, especially Mr Loo and his team, our respected Principals and visitors from Rotary Club of Greentown, not forgetting our superb performers, for making this memorable day possible. Compliments to our Interactors for having put up a great show and organizing the day perfectly in a short span of time. Congratulations to the new board and all the best in carrying out their duties in their term.

Reported by:
Desmond Yeoh, Organising Chairperson
Pen Portrait by Stephanie Jukes

Hello! My name is Stephanie and I am very excited to be coming to teach drama at Tenby, Ipoh.

My passion for drama and the arts was born through watching musicals as a small child, so I joined a tap class at age 4 and got involved in lots of shows. I loved being on the stage from that moment on and have always wanted to share my passion with others!

I’ve been teaching drama for nearly twenty years. I love teaching drama as I believe it has so much to offer. I have seen young people flourish through drama in both mainstream and within special needs settings and sincerely hope that during my time at Tenby, Ipoh, the benefits will become clearly evident here too! For example, in drama, we will be using our imagination: helping us to become great thinkers. By working closely with classmates and through studying characters in play scripts, we shall also learn about human relationships, discover more about traditions in our own culture and others around the world, understand what community is just by looking around our class, get in touch with our emotions every lesson, and use higher order thinking skills like decision making, interpreting, analysing, evaluating, and reviewing. In drama we regularly use both sides of our brain at the same time – not as easy as it sounds! We love making things, exploring possibilities and taking risks. In all, I hope to make drama a lot of fun both within the classroom as well as outside of the classroom!

Apart from loving drama, my husband and I try to keep healthy, be active and always enjoy a challenge – we have been Foster Carers, completed half and full marathons and done a sky-dive and I, personally am hoping to try new things in Ipoh like Tai-Chi. My husband and I are also looking forward to the delights of eating what we have been informed of as ‘amazing’ food and visiting the many temples.

As I get ready to leave England, I look forward, with anticipation, to meeting and making many new friends in this wonderful environment.

Pen Portrait by Paul Wilson

Hello everyone. I am from the UK and was born in the city of Liverpool where I also grew up. I studied at Ulster, Lancaster and Keele universities where my highest qualification was a Master of Arts in International Relations. In fact, internationalism was to become a constant theme throughout the following years. After becoming a teacher specializing in the humanities type subjects, I embarked on a career which has taken me to places as far flung as Scotland, Kenya, the Arabian Gulf and the northeastern part of Thailand. This travelling has been of great and constant use when introducing fascinating anecdotes during my Travel and Tourism, History and Geography lessons.

I look forward to sharing all of them on a lesson-by-lesson basis with the lucky students at Tenby! When not holding the awe and attention of pupils in school I enjoy natural history, conservation, conversation and watching the English Premier League. I have visited Malaysia before but don’t recall visiting Ipoh. Therefore, it is with expectation and excitement that I look forward to the new academic year.
Maths Department on Open Day

During the Open Day of Tenby Ipoh, the Maths Department held a competition for making the best poster about Maths. Groups of around four students began their work of creating a poster during the early hours of the Open Day. Each group could choose any topic from Maths or Additional Maths. Some groups chose a simple topic like Geometry while others chose to do more difficult topics like Kinematics. Nevertheless the appeal of the poster mattered just as much as the content. These posters were not only used for the competition, but would serve as decoration for the Maths rooms during the next academic year.

The Maths room was filled with energy as many students from years 7-10 gathered to participate in this event. The prizes that potentially await the winning groups were not the only motivation. During the Open Day, students were also excitedly chattering and joking while completing their posters. The students had a fun time while working on these posters. Though the prizes of winning were not revealed, the students worked hard throughout the day perfecting their masterpieces. At the end of the day, students left anxiously waiting for the impending announcement of the winning groups.

Many parents touring the school visited the bustling Math class on Open Day. Each time they were greeted happily by both teachers and students. As they asked questions regarding the school they looked on to see a room full of joy as the students busily worked on their posters. The students were happy to answer any questions posed by the parents as well as the potential new students.

Open Day was a success for the Maths Department as parents and students left satisfied, while an abundance of artistically created posters await inspection.

Written by: Mohammad Ridzuan Yahya Mat Som
(Year 10 Yellow)
Year 6 - Transition Day in the Science Lab

The Year 6 spent their Science lesson during the transition day looking at the density of different liquids. A fun time was had by all and the Science Department and we are looking forward to welcoming them full time after the summer break.

Year 9 – Eco-House Project

Year 9 students have been working on an eco-house project since their checkpoint exam in order to give them a flavour for all 3 sciences and what is in store next year. They have been looking at creating bio gases for fuel. Recycling rain water and filtration. Renewable energy resources including solar panels and wind turbines. They then took all their knowledge and modelled what should be an eco-friendly house.

The houses were then judged mainly on whether or not it is ecofriendly.

Other areas looked at were:

If built like the model would it sustain life? Is there sanitation? Power? Provision for food? Does it look good? Would you want to live in it?

The pupils have put an amazing amount of hours in to this after school and breaks as well. It was a very worthwhile project.

The results were:

1st: 9 Yellow
2nd: 9 Green
3rd: 9 Blue

Myra Pyne
TISSI End of Year Rewards Assembly

Wednesday 8th July saw a marvellous celebration of our TISSI students’ achievements, as Years 7-10 gathered for the End of Year Rewards Assembly.

At TISSI, we feel it is vital to recognise the progress and achievement of students across the curriculum and to also recognise the various achievements outside of the classroom. The Auditorium was alive with atmosphere as students gathered to see who would be awarded.

All the termly Rewards Assemblies are special, but the End of Year ‘bumper edition’ includes Student of the Year awards for a wide range of achievements.

It would be impossible to list all of the awards that were given out but some of the highlights can be found below. Particular mention to Cindy Lim Hui Bing who won the overall ‘Student of the Year’ award, as selected based on the number of house points achieved and then voted for by the teaching staff.

Jupiter were victorious in winning the ‘House of the Year’ house points trophy for 2014-2015. At the time of writing this article, the Interhouse Trophy title is still to be confirmed!

Congratulations to all TISSI students who continue to shine!

Student of the Year Awards

Pastoral Awards:

Year 7  Cordelia Loh Pui Hua
Year 8  Guo SiYuan
Year 9  Lee Clara
Year 10 Desmond Yeoh Kah Sin

Curriculum Area Awards

Language:

Year 7  Ching Li Ann
Year 8  Harry Liew Kai Yue
Year 9  Li Ka Ying
Year 10 Leong Zheng Tao

Maths and ICT:

Year 7  Queenie Chong Hor Yi
Year 8  Tan Sean-Ferng
Year 9  Chang Jin Ying
Year 10 Jyrteanna Teo
Science:
Year 7  Chong Jo Lynn
Year 8  Tan Sean-Ferng
Year 9  Rachel Chan Chien Yi
Year 10 Desmond Yeoh Kah Sin

Arts, DT & PE:
Year 7  Queenie Chong Hor Yi
Year 8  Thang Kitt Fay
Year 9  Julia Elisa Haglsperger
Year 10 Jyrteanna Teo

Humanites:
Year 7  Jon Tan Yan Heng
Year 8  Alicia Kong Xinyuan
Year 9  Foo Siew Jack
Year 10 Desmond Yeoh Kah Sin

Sports Awards:
Basketball Player of the Year: Irvin Lam Khai Ze
Footballer of the Year: Grant Choo Way Leong
Netballer of the Year: Lisa Elizabeth Finney
Athlete of the Year: Megan Fishwick
Individual Performance of the Year: Sandesh Supparamaniam
Commitment to the Performing Arts: Emily Tan and Marco George

Dedication to Learning Awards:
Year 7  Looi Ai Naa
Year 8  Darlene Tan Shu-Yi
Year 9  Natalie Chan Ze Qi
Year 10 Lim Hui Bing
Continuous Professional Development in Tenby Ipoh

Professional development has always been seen as a valuable area at Tenby Schools.

In line with that, teachers are always encouraged to acquire academic and professional qualifications as a way of gaining knowledge and improving teaching and learning practices.

Since February of this year, a group of 18 teachers from Tenby Ipoh has signed up for the Cambridge International Certificate in Teaching & Learning (CICTL) program.

The tutorials for this program are held on designated Saturdays by the training team from the corporate office comprising of Mr. Loh GJ, Dr. Goh KK and Mdm. Lee YS and is supported by me as the mentor teacher who is based in school.

All candidates have attended 10 lecture sessions for Module 1 of the program, observed an experienced practitioner and have had themselves been observed while teaching a lesson.

It has been a rigorous and challenging experience for the candidates as they had to fulfill the requirement of the program whilst still teaching full time at the school.

The key focus of the program is to:

- understand principles of learning and teaching and apply these principles to their own practice
- articulate their own personal theory of learning
- design coherent learning activities that focus on planning for active learning and teaching
- use approaches to teaching and learning appropriately to help learners to learn more effectively
- develop their reflective practice skills to help them evaluate and develop their own practice
- learn collaboratively, supported by their colleagues.

Upon completing this program, successful candidates will move on to the Cambridge International Diploma in Teaching & Learning (CIDTL) or Postgraduate Certificate of Education (International) (PGCEi).

Prepared by:
Zalyah Gazali
Senior Mentor Teacher
Parents vs. Teachers Golf Day

Sunday 12th July saw the inaugural Parents vs. Teachers golf event on a sunny and windy afternoon at Meru Valley Golf Club.

13 players – seven teachers & six parents – signed up to participate in the friendly competition organised by Mr. Neil Page. The standard of golf ranged from the ‘hack & (no)-hopers’ to single-figure handicappers and everything in between.

The rare complication of wind at the normally placid Meru Valley course made for a challenging game on the Valley and Waterfall courses.

Players were grouped into two flights of four players, a flight of three and a flight of two.

Ng Keh Jun and Charles Ng played the first game vs Andrew Lowery and Stand Woolscroft. The second flight saw Gordon Teoh vs Des Wilson and Ian Hayes. The 3rd flight sat Lo Ban ho and Dr. Frances Nelson play vs Ricky Singh and Neil Page, and the final pairing of Mr. JoJo vs David Key. The scoring method chosen was Stableford points of the top four players in each team.

After a sporting and honourable 18 holes in a draining 5hrs+, the scores were calculated at sunset on The Dome terrace, with parents emerged victorious with a score of 128 to the teachers 125.

Such was the enjoyment of all players, the event will now become a termly fixture, with the trophy at stake in July each year. We hope more parents and teachers will step forward to join the occasion at the next meeting in Term 1 2015-16.

Mr. Andrew Lowery.
**Year 2 – IPC Topic:**

**We Are What We Eat**

In this Term 3, the last topic in IPC for Year 2 was, We Are What We Eat. It was about food. Food plays a vital role in history and culture throughout the world because food is essential to life. By learning about the different types and amounts of food our bodies need, we can plan healthier diets and enjoy longer lives.

In the International Theme, we learned about the famine and drought around the world. Some of the worst hit countries are Ethiopia, Kenya, Djibouti and Somalia. The rains never came as they usually do late February to the end of May. If they fail again in August, there won’t be a harvest in September.

People without food aid will definitely be in trouble. Most times they have no chance to survive. Many people are facing starvation, with entire families and communities abandoning their homes in desperate search of food and water.

Although we in Malaysia do not face famine, there are still people in Malaysia who face shortages of food, especially those in areas that are blocked from supplies during flood or drought, during the monsoon seasons or those who cannot afford it.

Apart from studying in the class, the Year 2s also ran a charity drive and the donation collected was handed to the Pertubuhan Pengurusan Anak-Anak Yatim dan Miskin Anning Ipoh, Perak. The person in-charge is Mr. Loke, who look after 35 children in this organisation.

Ms Susan Chai  
Year 2 Class Teacher

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**Sophia Yasmin Khan -**

**Classruum**

An ex-Sekolah Tenby student, Sophia Yasmin Khan from the class of 2008, has already made her mark in the field of on-line entrepreneurship. Together with Ariz Ramli (better known as Caprice, a Malaysian-based rap artist), Sophia has conceptualized **Classruum**, an educational platform that incorporates activities, games and opportunities for student learning and interaction online. Already, the duo have proved that their concept of what would make a good learning environment for the Malaysian students of today, is a sound one, with the successful test-run of a simple educational gaming platform called Giffy.com. Sophia and Ariz have presented their platform to the **Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission** and received a substantial grant to fund their project. To date, **Classruum** has seven teachers and four classrooms on board, but before the end of the year, Sophia and Ariz hope to have 200 to 500 schools actively participating in **Classruum**.

For more details on **Classruum**, go to [http://edgy.my/creating-curiosity-classruum](http://edgy.my/creating-curiosity-classruum). Sekolah Tenby Ipoh is happy to share in Sophia’s success and is very proud of her achievement to date.
News on Sports

From the track to the pool to the mean slopes and tricky terrain, our students have been actively involved and committed to our school interhouse competitions which have been ongoing since September 2014. The race for the House Champions Trophy has been one full of ups and downs for all involved and here is a summary of the events that took place over the course of the year.

The year began with the first secondary 5km road run at our new campus and it was an event filled with excitement, excellence and endurance. All students were well prepared and had trained hard during their PE lessons in the month leading up to the event. In the end it was Neptune House that emerged victorious, obtaining a 4 point lead over Jupiter House in second. Netball was next on the agenda and after two weeks of closely fought matches between the houses, it was Neptune who once again ended victorious. At this point they had extended their lead over Jupiter House to 7 points, and were well set with interhouse football around the corner.

Interhouse boys’ football is always a competition that brings the crowd out, as students passionately cheer on their peers and act as a 12th man for their respective teams. Matches from both the U14 and the U18 competitions were fiercely competed with defence from all teams proving incredibly difficult to beat. In the end however, it was Jupiter House that walked away the victors and in the process, closing the gap to Neptune House to only 2 points. Interhouse Girls Football followed and again drew great support from students. Matches were frantic and the desire and passion was evidently on display throughout this competition. After all the matches were completed, it was Mars House who registered their first win of the interhouse season and finishing the competition undefeated.

Another sport that draws huge interest from the student body is basketball and over the two week period of the interhouse basketball competitions, the basketball court was packed full of both teachers and students. After comprehensively winning the U14 boys competition, Jupiter House were the favourites in the U18 boys competition; however Neptune House fought back hard and only narrowly ended up taking the U18 boys competition. Shortly after the completion of this competition, we turned our attention to girls’ basketball and this competition saw Mars House claim victory in all three of their matches. With Mars House taking maximum points they were firmly back into contention, meaning the top three houses were separated by a mere 7 points heading into sports day.

Saturday 18th April started in a rather wet and gloomy manner, but by early afternoon the sun was out and everyone in attendance was enjoying an intensely fought battle between the four houses in their quest for overall supremacy on the track, and on the field. All four houses at some point during the day had the lead, but as the day progressed it was Mars House’s athletes that had established themselves firmly as champions for 2015 and lifted the shield much to the joy of their peers. Mars’ victory meant that they had leapfrogged both Neptune and Jupiter Houses and now had an 8 point lead over their nearest competitors, Neptune House.
Only one week later it was time to test our houses once more at the inaugural secondary swimming gala. Much excitement and anticipation had built up in the weeks leading up to the gala and this was clearly evident on the day itself. As with sports day, there was dozens of students in participation and the commitment and talent on display was a delight to witness. It was a closely contested affair, with both Neptune and Jupiter Houses sharing the lead, but in the end, Jupiter House emerged victorious and claimed vital points in a bid to rejuvenate their flattering campaign. Results at the gala now meant that by finishing runners up to Jupiter House, Neptune were able to retake the lead from Mars House and Jupiter House also moved up above Mars House into second position.

From the pool back to the field; the race for the house champion’s cup moved on to its next competition, Ultimate Frisbee. Another very popular sport that has seen Jupiter House dominate over the years. This year was no different as they romped to victories in both the U14 and U18 competitions, remaining undefeated for yet another year. These victories also meant that they had cut Neptune House’s lead to 8 points as we moved indoors for interhouse badminton. Here we saw Jupiter House take an early lead to proceedings with a win in the U14 competition, only for Mars House to throw a spanner in the works and take both the U18 and mixed doubles competitions, and most importantly, top spot for the competition. This result meant that Jupiter House was only able to take 2 points away from Neptune House, who took a 6 point lead into the final event of the year, interhouse dodgeball.

The last event of the year is often the one most observed and definitely the most aggressively fought as targets are acquired and balls are launched across the courts with only one goal to aim for, the complete annihilation of the opposition. Interhouse dodgeball is always a very closely contested competition and this year the conquerors were Jupiter House.

After a year where the lead of the race changed frequently as we went through many different competitions, I am happy to announce that the winners of the House Champions Trophy for 2015 are Neptune House!!!

A huge congratulation to all those who gave their all and showed their support for their house over the course of the year, and a special mention to their three house leaders, Tan Shing Yee (Captain), Marcus Yap Mun Wai (Vice-Captain) and Toh Jo-ey (Secretary), who have worked incredibly hard this year as part of the house committees. Also, thank you and congratulations to all those involved in the house committees for all your hard work and leadership this year; although you may not have been victorious this year, you have all excelled in your roles as leaders.

Ricky Singh
Key Stage 4 & PE Coordinator
Announcements:

From the Finance Department

Please be informed that credit card facilities will be discontinued with effect from 1st August 2015. However, as a gesture of goodwill, we will continue to offer this facility at Tenby Schools Ipoh until 31st August 2015. Please contact the Accounts Department at accounts.ipoh@tenby.edu.my for more information.

New Caterer from September 2015

We are pleased to announce that we have a new canteen operator when school reopens in the new term in September 2015. After a thorough and stringent process of selection, can.teen has been selected as the new catering provider at the school.

We wish can.teen all the best and look forward to welcoming them to the school. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Haw Teng, our current canteen operators for their service and support over the last two years.

TISSI Form Tutor List 2015 - 2016

Students in classes of Year 7 – Year 10 Blue, Green & Yellow, will all move up to the next class.

Please find the Form Tutor List attached for your reference.

Upcoming Events:

Tenby International

16 July - 31 August 2015

Term Break

Sekolah Tenby

16 July - 9 August 2015

Term Break
## SCHOOL TIMES

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