

TIS RECORD

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At TIS,

we believe that personal success is best judged by one's proficiency in demonstrating daily the ten IB Learner Profile attributes: thinker, inquirer, reflective, caring, open-minded, communicator, knowledgeable, risk-taker, balanced and principled.

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Key Dates

- 6/8/24: Teachers resume duty.
- 12/8/24: Student Council executives return to campus.
- 14/8/24: Secondary School Newbies arrive (11.00am+)
- 16/8/24: Personal Project: Criterion B draft due.
- 18/8/24: Secondary School continuing students return to campus.
- 19/8/24: First semester commences at each campus.

Thought for the Week

Competence is how good you are when there is something to gain. Character is how good you are when there is nothing to gain. People will reward you for competence. But people will only love you for your character.

- Mark Manson



Ready to Start/Return?

As the old adage goes, it's better to be prepared than to be sorry. So, with only 12 more days before our 2024 Secondary School Newbies commence (and 16 days for returning secondary students and 17 for Primary School students), it's time to start getting ready for the new academic year.

Main Campus (Secondary School)

Our new secondary school students will commence on Wednesday, 14 August. Newby families should arrive from 11.00am to set their child/ren up in their dorms and be ready for a 'Welcome' meeting at 2.00pm. Parents will be required to depart by 4.30pm.

Continuing students will return to campus on Sunday, 18 August by 4.00pm.



"My definition of integrity is a set of beliefs, values, and actions that others can depend on."

-Steve Bollar

SAT & ACT

- Best advice: students who are required to complete SAT and/or ACT requirements should do so by the end of Grade 11. Leave it until G12 and you have created a personal time-management monster.
- Please follow instructions and details provided in the weekly Counsellors' Corner section of the TIS Bulletin.

Making Us Proud

- Congratulations to **Tiffany Forson** who achieved the top score of 42 in the 2024 May DP exams.
- Congratulations to **Obaapanin Tweneboah-Koduah** who is representing TIS and Ghana at the Student Leadership Conference in Atlanta (USA).
- Due to her hard work, **Ramatu Ibrahim (IB Class of 2023)** has been awarded the Syracuse University \$1,000 Invest in Success Scholarship.
- Our newest Alumnis are looking forward to their stage in their journey. BOL.

Student Council executives return on 12 August to prepare for the arrival of our Newbies.

*** Parents must advise by 11 August if a late start to the semester is required.**

Primary School Campus

The Primary School classes will commence on Monday, 19 August. This will be preceded by a Meet the Teacher session on Friday, 16 August (at 1.30pm).

ManageBac (MB)

All new parents and students were sent a 'Welcome Email' from ManageBac (MB) to set their password and logon to MB. This is our main communication tool. You will receive an email each time about relevant notifications. Please email me if you have any issues accessing your MB account.

Accounts

Please ensure first semester fees are paid prior to commencing unless you have an approved payment plan.

Payment plans must be received by me for approval by Friday, 9 August. The first payment of any plan must be made by 16 August.

I appreciate your support. Enjoy each day.

Dr Ken Darvall (Principal)

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BEING SCHOOL READY

Getting ready for a new school year after a long vacation can be exciting. Here are a few critical things students can do to prepare:

1. **Get organised:** Start by organising your study materials, textbooks, and stationery. Having everything in place will help you stay focused and save time.

2. **Set goals:** Think about what you want to achieve in the upcoming year. Set realistic goals for your academics, extracurricular activities, and personal growth. It'll give you something to work towards.

3. **Review previous material:** Take some time to review the subjects you learned in the previous year. It'll help you refresh your memory and be better prepared for the new material.

4. **Establish a routine:** Start gradually adjusting your sleep schedule to match your school routine. Getting enough rest is crucial for staying alert and focused during classes.

5. **Plan your schedule:** Take a look at your class schedule and extracurricular activities. Plan out your day, including study time, breaks, and leisure activities. Having a schedule will help you manage your time effectively.

Remember, it's important to ease back into the school routine gradually. But, be ready to go from 19 August.

Importantly, start reducing screen time so that FOMO and twitchy fingers are not a major distraction when school starts.

Dr Ken Darvall



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World
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#Make a Difference



TIS 2024/25 School Calendar

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COLOUR KEY

	School Closed/ Holidays		Teacher in-Service Day (no school for students)
	Main Campus Event		First and Last Day of School (Main Campus)
	Primary Campus Event		First and Last Day of School (Primary Campus)

NOTE: All dates/activities are current as of the date of publication and may be subject to change.

SECONDARY SCHOOL CAMPUS**Public Holidays**

4/8/24	Founders' Day
21/9/24	Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Day
6/12/24	Farmers' Day
7/1/25	Constitution Day
6/3/25	Independence Day
31/3/25	Eid Al Fitr (TBC)
18/4/25	Good Friday
20/4/25	Easter Monday
1/5/25	Labour Day

SI Internal Dates: Main Campus

1/8/24	2023 MYP Results Released; 2023 MYP Enquiries Upon Results Open
1/8/24	Senior management staff resume
6/8/24	Teachers resume; review of school policies
12/8/24	Student Council executives return
14/8/24	Newbies arrive
16/8/24	Personal Project: Criterion B draft due
18/8/24	Continuing students resume
19/8/24	Secondary School classes commence; G9&11 Subject Selection
22-24/8/24	G11 CAS & Dukies Orientation Camp
24/8/24	SAT
25/8/24	School Performance auditions
31/8/24	TIS Senior & Junior Soccer Championships
1/9/24	Thanksgiving Service (11.00am) NO EXEATS
7/9/24	TISSA Soccer Championships/TISSA Badminton Championships
13/9/24	PP Criterion B final due
13-14/9/24	TIS Handball Championships (PM only);
14/9/24	ACT; MYP Parents Information session. (10.00am) NO EXEATS
20/9/24	DP Geography Excursion
21/9/24	TIS Sporty Family. NO EXEATS
23/9/24	TIS Volleyball Championships
24-25/9/24	DP Evaluation Visit
26/9/24	DP Geography IA data collection
27/9/24	DP Geography data collection
28/9/24	TISSA Handball Championships
29/9-6/10/24	21 st Anniversary TIS Spirit Week. NO EXEATS
3/10/24	TIS Founders' Day. Main Campus admissions open for 2025/2026
5/10/24	SAT;
6/10/24	21 st anniversary Thanksgiving Service. NO EXEATS
7-9/10/24	Dukies Camp (Bronze, Silver and Gold)
7-12/10/24	Mid-semester break
12/10/24	PSAT; ISSAG Football
13/10/24	Students return to hostels
14/10/24	G9/G11 Changes to Subject Selections close
19/10/24	ISSAG Football, Handball, Tennis and Badminton.
20/10/24	PP: Criterion C draft due
21/10/24	Student Council (SC) shadowing process commences; SEC Universities Fair (2.00-4.00pm)
22/10/24	G12 EE Café
26/10/24	ACT
2/11/24	SAT
9/11/24	Annual Production NO EXEATS
11-12/11/24	Group 4 Project
16/11/24	ISSAG Volleyball, Swimming and Table Tennis
20-26/11/24	G10 end of semester eAssessments (Reports due 9/12/23)
20-29/11/24	G11-12 end of semester exams (Reports due 10/12/23)
29/11/24	PP Criterion C completion;
1/12/24	SC applications open for 2024 elections
2/12/24	Christmas Lunch
4/12/24	Last day for the first semester: Students may depart after 3-Way interviews.
10/12/24	PP Final Report due: photo evidence & bibliography upload
11/12/24	Last day for teachers

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9-10/1/25	Staff training days
12/1/25	Students return to hostels; applications for 2024 SC positions close
13/1/25	Second semester commences.
13-19/1/25	Alumni Homecoming Week
19/1/25	Alumni Thanksgiving Service
20/1/25	SC Manifesto Readings
22/1/25	2023 Student Council elections by voting (7.00am-4.00pm)
24-25/1/25	ISSAG Basketball and Hockey.
25/1/25	TIS Athletic Championships. NO EXEATS BEFORE 1.00PM
29-31/1/25	IDU Days; G12 EE; G11 EE, 11/12 CAS Dukies Reflection Day
1/2/25	SC Leadership Camp NO EXEATS FOR SCHOOL LEADERS
2/2/25	Student Leadership Induction Ceremony NO EXEATS
7/2/25	TIS Badminton Championships; TIS Tennis Championships
8/2/25	TIS STEM Fair. NO EXEATS
10-14/2/25	MYP Mock eAssessments NO G10 EXEATS
13/2/25	G11 TOK Exhibition. NO G11 EXEATS
14-15/2/25	TIS Basketball Championships; TIS Squash Championships;
15/2/25	Chocolate Friendship Day
17-28/2/25	DP Mocks. NO G12 EXEATS
22/2/25	ISSAG Athletics
26/2/25	PP standardisation and moderation (teachers)
1/3/25	MYP Projects (Personal & Community) NO EXEATS
2/3/25	TIS swimming championships (3.00 – 5.00pm)
8/3/25	SAT; TISSA Basketball Championships; TISSA Tennis & Squash Championships
8-9/3/24	DP Geography Field Trip
14/3/25	Pi Day; PYP/MYP Info Day at Main Campus
15/3/25	Expression Day NO EXEATS
20-30/3/25	Mid-semester break
21/3/25	PP:Academic Honesty First Record
23-25/3/25	Dukies Bronze & Silver expedition camp
31/3/25	PP Criterion A draft due; Draft 2025/2026 Calendar Overview Released
5/4/25	ACT
7/4/25	G12 Grad photos (All day). NO G12 EXEATS
13/4/25	Exam Candidates' Service NO EXEATS
17-21/4/25	Easter break
21/4/25	MYP5->DP1 info session; PP Criterion A draft due;
23/4-16/5/25	DP Final Exams
3/5/25	SAT
5/5/25	PP Criterion A final due
5 – 16/5/25	MYP eAssessments
17/5/25	Leavers' Dinner
19-30/5/25	G11 semester exams
23-29/5/25	G9 eAssessments
30/5/25	MYP4 (2025/2026) subject selections
7/6/25	2025 Annual Achievement and Graduation Ceremony; Last day for Secondary Classes
13/6/25	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published.
9-12/6/25	Dukies' (Bronze, Silver and Gold Levels) Expedition Camp
14/6/25	ACT
16/6/25	France/Spain trips commence
6/7/25	France/Spain trips end
26/7/25	PP: Final Product (Photo evidence upload)

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- TIS Speaker of the Year
- Inter-Colour Language Competition
- TOK Exhibition
- G11 EE CAfe

PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMPUS

Public Holidays

4/8/24	Founders' Day
21/9/24	Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Day
7/12/24	Farmers' Day
7/1/25	Constitution Day
6/3/25	Independence Day
31/3/25	Eid Al Fitr (TBC)
18/4/25	Good Friday
20/4/25	Easter Monday
1/5/25	Labour Day

S1 Internal Dates (Primary School Campus)

7/8/24	Staff prep commences
16/8/24	Meet the teacher session (1.30pm)
19/8/24	First semester commences
20/9/24	Sign Language Day
20/9/24	End of UOI #1 3WI
7-12/10/24	Mid-semester break
1/11/24	End of UOI #2 Celebrations
11/12/24	Book Day
29/11/24	End of UOI #3 3WI
29/11/24	Last day for teachers

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9-10/1/25	Staff Training Days
14/2/25	End of UOI #4 3WI
14/2/25	Celebrating Additional Languages
14/3/25	PYP/MYP Info Day at Main Campus
21/3/25	Mother Tongue Day (Celebrating Culture)
21/3/25	End of UOI #5 Celebrations
23/3-2/4/25	Mid-semester break
19/4/25	Spelling Bee
16/5/25	PYP Exhibition (Sports Picnic)
23/5/25	End of UOI #6 3WI
31/5/25	2024 Achievers and Graduation Ceremony/VAX
6/6/25	Last day for teachers; S2 reports published

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To Do List

FOCUS

WORK HARD

BE CREATIVE

OPEN YOUR MIND

SPREAD POSITIVITY

STAY AWAY FROM DRAMA

ENJOY THE LITTLE THINGS

PUT IN 100% EFFORT

TAKE CHANCES

SMILE MORE

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TIS INTEGRITY Code

“TIS, as a family school that provides unique experiences, embodies a spirit of integrity and respect for others which are central to the personal, academic and ethical development of each member.

As a TIS family member,

**I promise to uphold and demonstrate its values,
and protect the reputation of the school.**

I make this pledge in the spirit of honour and trust.”



