



4 October 2024

Dear Parents,

#### Letter from the Head

The past week was a whirlwind of excitement as we hosted our TPK music evening on Thursday, 26 September. The performances from two of our local schools, Sentinel and Nkisu, brought additional flavour to an evening that filled our campus with joy. Mr. Sakanyi must be acknowledged for his contributions. Many hours were put in behind the scenes to put together such a successful event. Well done, Mr. Sakanyi.

On Friday morning, 27 September, our sports department hosted our Interschool Netball and Football tournament. To see so many students participate in this event from various schools including schools from Solwezi, was heartwarming. Events like these do not go without some serious competition, however, it was all done in a very positive spirit and a sense of comradery.

Thank you to all our parents, students and staff for their contributions towards the OISESA school evaluation process. We are currently working through the results and aim to **address** certain areas that requested improvement.

As always, please do not hesitate to speak to the respective teacher, should you seek any clarity around your child's academic or social performance. Mrs. Astrid Fourie is our KS2 Lead Teacher for Year 3-6 and Mrs. Anna Sakanyi is our KS1 and SEN Lead Teacher. You are most welcome to discuss any school related matters with them. I have an open-door policy and you are most welcome to meet with me should you require any further discussion from my side as Head Teacher.

On the 25th September, we held a meeting with our current Year 6 parents to continue discussions and the plan to open the Year 7 class for the 2025 Academic year. The inclusion of Mr. Andrew Whittall, Educore CEO and Mr. Austin Clarke, the Executive Head at the meeting, set the tone for a relaxed and well-informed meeting, allowing for discussion between all present.

Based on the above developments, we have advertised for a KS2 teacher to fill the academic needs in our KS2 division of our school. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for interviews in due course.

As per the school calendar, the Art evening scheduled for 12 October is to be rescheduled due to some logistical challenges. A date will be set in November and an update will follow accordingly.

Three of our teachers, Mrs. Sakanyi, Mrs. Chitumba and Mrs. Moolo will be attending the ISAZ TTT (Teacher Train Together) Conference on the weekend of 12 October and will be presenting school related topics to fellow colleagues, we wish them all of the best. Arrangements for their classes have been put in place and will be shared with those year group parents next week.

On Saturday, 5 October is International Teachers Day. A day that acknowledges the dedication and commitment to the future leaders of the world. It is with great pride that I take this opportunity to thank my staff for their commitment to our students, their unquestionable drive to see our students succeed and to so with Zest. We salute you and thank you – **YOU ARE VALUED AND APPRECIATED!**

Mr. Jones will be sharing the school photo order form with you as we are scheduled to take our annual school and individual photos on Wednesday, 9 October. Kindly complete the order form and hand in to Mr. Jones in the admin office.

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**IMPORTANT DATES:**

9 October – School Photos (Sport and Individual)

Cambridge Check Point - Year 6 **only**: 14 - 17 October Paper 1+2

Progression tests – Year 6: 4 - 7 November Paper 1

11 - 13 November Paper 2

Year 3 to 5: 14 - 17 October Paper 1

4 - 7 November Paper 2

Art Exhibition at TPK - postponed to November (date to be confirmed).

On that note, I wish you all a wonderful weekend ahead.

Jannie Le Roux

