



Two Boats School

Newsletter

8th September 2023



Hello Everyone,

Here is the first edition for this new school year. I hope all the students have had a lovely holiday.

It has certainly been a busy time for those students who were here on the Island this year.

Our summer school activities were well attended and the students all had an amazing time. There was the Explorers sessions organised by the Conservation team and activity days organised by Two Boats Club, thank you to all the teams for organising these sessions for our students. I know they were greatly appreciated by the parents and enjoyed by the students.

Examination results were received on 16th August. Well done to all those students receiving their IGCSE grades. You should all be extremely proud of your achievements.

The new academic year has started and it has been lovely to welcome back the students and staff.

We welcome to TBS three new teachers; they each bring with them a wealth of skills and experience. I am sure you will all join me in wishing them well and hope that they enjoy their time here on the Island. You will hear more from them in the coming weeks.

Ms Taiwo Akinbusoye - Deputy Head Teacher
Miss Florence Afolabi - year 5/6 Teacher
Ms Jo Smith - Year 3/4 Teacher

Our student numbers are increasing, starting the new term with us we have:

Huxley Coleman – Nursery
Eli Henry – Nursery
Aiden Smeets – Nursey
Kenzo Shoesmith – Yr 3
Zacharias Akunne – Yr 4
Logan Par'e – Yr 6
Kaya Par'e – Yr 8
Matteu Akunne – Yr 8
Ikechukwu Akunne – Yr 8



Dental Checks

The six monthly dental screening sessions will take place next week here at school. Wayne and Samara will be up at school to carry out the screening. Please could you return the permission slip returned so that your child can be seen by the dental team.

Naafi lunches will start again from Wednesday 13 September. Attached is the new menu. If you would like to order lunch, please send orders to Tash by Tuesday mornings along with the correct money. Thank you to Colin and his team for continuing to provide us with this service.

Gentle Reminder:

A reminder also to return the permission slips for trips, visits, photographs that were sent out with the parent handbook.

School

The painting programme is progressing well. The inside spaces have all been done and the painters are now working on the external areas.

I will leave you with a photo of the TBS team 2023:



There will be student photos once all permission slips have been returned.



TBS will once again be taking part in J4G day on Friday 22nd September.

For the cause, for fun or just for the love of denim!

Every £1 adds up and makes a difference. If you would like to support this worthy cause by taking part too, please could you let us know.

That's it for this week!

Tania Maggott
Head Teacher



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Hello from Year 11

Welcome back to all our fellow peers! At the end of the last academic year, we as Year 10 students were given the opportunity to carry out Work Experience at various work places around the island. We would like to express our thanks to the Companies and all their staff for their time given to support this.

Here is what we did:

RAF Met Office: Created forecast reports for the weather, attended regular meetings, learnt about the different graphs and readings used to record weather.

Two Boats School TA: Helped with reading, playground duty, did Art with EYFS and Year 1&2 pupils

Encompass Engineering: Daily repairs with transmitters, programmed the 'Women's World Cup Football', climbed towers and pedestals, carried out meter readings around the island.



Liana



Kylie



MITIE Ration Store: observed staff stocking freezers with meats and other frozen goods
MITIE Security: searched plane, guided passengers to waiting area, people watched
AIG Carpenters: made a gate for an accommodation, used an electric orbital sander to smooth wood for gate





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Allie



USAF - Wolf Creek Stores & Supplies:

Given a tour of the Base Exchange shop, storeroom and office. Used the cash register in the shop and did some admin work.

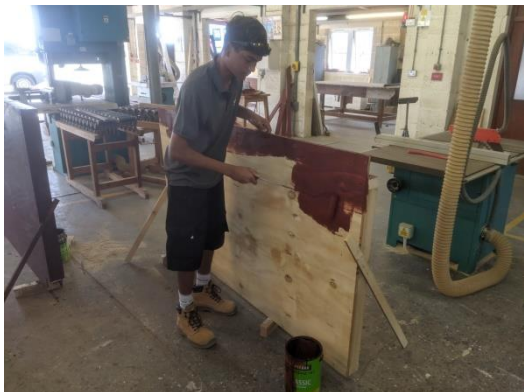
MITIE Fire Department: Used the fireman suit and breathing apparatus, carried out an exercise to find a casualty in a smoky room, checked water pumps on fire truck, be a Breathing Apparatus Control Officer.



Nathan

MITIE Carpenters: Changed nets in fly-screen doors, made trellis, replaced carpet tiles

I mostly enjoyed making the trellis for the accommodations.



Tarell

Encompass Riggers: Checked antenna fields, make field switch, matrix checks, climbed towers

MITIE Carpenters: Tile and grouted a bathroom wall.





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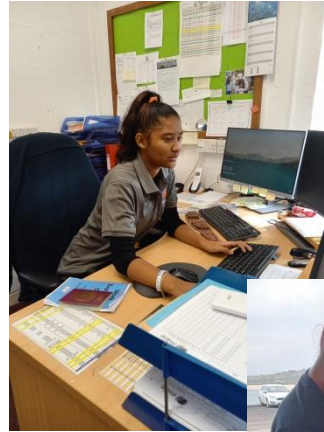
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AIG Motor Pool: Carried out MOT on vehicles, fitting tyres, used a tyre tracking machine, visit the incinerator site, used a variety of machines and tools e.g. hydraulic lift, torque wrench, impact etc.

MITIE Admin: did e-boards, e-days and run reports for staff absences, processed work orders, input timesheets, answered telephone, flight bookings.



Kyra



AIG Operations & Facilities: Spent time supporting staff in the following sections – Shipping Office, Motor-pool, Finance, Hydroponics, Help-desk, Sea Rescue.

Encompass Admin: administrative tasks mostly but had the opportunity to work with the riggers and even climbed a tower.

I've enjoyed having the hands-on and practical experiences and hope that I have helped people in their work.

Isabella



Finally, we like to welcome Ikechukwu (Ike) to our Year 11 class, who has joined us from Lagos, Nigeria. We hope he will enjoy his time here with us at Two Boats School and also living on Ascension Island.

Hi, my name is Ikechukwe Akunne. I don't talk much unless I'm asked a question, so generally I'm just quiet. My hobbies are gaming, coding and music. I am musically 'gifted' as my father was a musician. I have been playing the piano since I was 5, so about a decade now. With Coding, I have always had an interest in it. As a young boy, I loved playing video games and is fascinated by the development that went behind it. So ever since I got my first laptop, I have been using Python. It comes naturally to me as well.

