

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the first edition of our school Newsletter for this school year 2025 -2026. It has been a busy week with students smoothly transitioning back into school routines after the long break. It really has been lovely having staff and students back.

Year 10 Work Experience

During the last two weeks of the last school year our students went on two weeks of work placements. Here they got a taster of what it is like in the World of Work. By all accounts they had a very enjoyable time. They will be writing to thank Employers personally, but on behalf of all at TBS thank you for having them join your teams in the work place.



Exam Results

Our class of 2025 are to be congratulated on some very good Exam results. Their hard work and efforts paid off in the end and they received results they can be proud of. Thank you to the teachers past and present who helped them achieve this success and to the parents for their ongoing support to their children. TBS wishes all of them well for their next steps, Rhiann and Jada back in St Helena, Leeanna, Jaylen, Lucas, Wyatt and Zayla who have all been successful in gaining Youth Trainee placements with employing organisations here on the Island. Enjoy the World of work! Thank you to the AIG, MITIE and Encompass for continuing to support this programme. We are all extremely grateful. Last but by no means least congratulations and best wishes to Jordan who has been accepted into Chichester College to study Performance and production Arts (Dance). To our class of 2025, this is the first step of your journey



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into your next chapter. Grab every opportunity and go on to achieve even greater things! Good Luck.



Summer School

We had a fantastic time with our primary students in the holidays. Those attending the Summer school sessions had lots of fun taking part in the activities organised by teaching staff for them. This could not have happened without the willingness of the team, giving up some of their holiday time, so thank you. I hope you all had as much fun as I did!



School Works

Over the holidays there has been a lot of work done around the school. Thank you to the AIG facilities and Operations teams, and our own Kevin and Karen for all the hard work to make the school ready for us. It is very much appreciated.

Welcome to TBS

This year we welcomed two new staff members to the team, they have both written a few words by way of an introduction.



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Ms Catherine Drinkwater:



Hello and thanks to all your children for making me feel really welcome at the school. This is the first time I have travelled outside of Europe, so quite a change! However, one thing is certain about me and that is I love teaching English and I love seeing students learn. I have taught for 25 years in a variety of U.K.

schools and have enjoyed positive relationships across parents, teachers and, of course, students. My default is to remain upbeat and I love it when my students enjoy their lessons with me. I take my job very seriously and believe that I am very lucky to be a part of a student's life and able to move them on to the next stage of their journey. I trust I can make a difference for your son or daughter in their English studies and look forward to getting to know them even more. When I am not in the classroom, I like to read (of course!), write and soak up the beauty of nature and my surroundings. I am deeply grateful for the hospitality I have received so far!

Mr Aidan Walters:



Hello my name is Aidan Walters and I am the new Maths Secondary Teacher at Two Boats School. I am originally from Yorkshire in the UK, but over the past 12 years I have taught Maths all over the world including in the UK, the Falkland Islands, the Cayman Islands and Saudi Arabia. I am looking

forward to seeing you around the island as my hobbies include playing squash and badminton as well as scuba diving and hiking. You might also see me in Two Boats club, or the NAAFI bar as I enjoy watching rugby matches and playing darts.



We also welcomed into Year 1 Ariana Stevens who joined us from St Helena. We hope Ariana settles in and make lots of new friends here at TBS.

House Points



The weekly cup was awarded this week to Dampiers House! Well done to all those in Dampiers, what a great start to the year!

Our stars of week 1 were Matthew for Primary and Cohen for Secondary. Congratulations to both boys.



Friday 12th September TBS will once again celebrate Jeans for Genes day. All staff and students are invited to come to school in their jeans (or non-uniform) for a donation of £1 or £2. Employing organisations on the Island have all being invited to join us in this fundraising effort. Monies collected will be sent to the UK to help support children living with Genetic conditions. The charity celebrates its 30th anniversary this year.

Finally, a reminder to all parents to please return the permissions and policy slip sent out this week.

That's it for this week!

Tania Maggott
Head Teacher