



22nd Aug 2023

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to the New Academic Year 2023-24!

Welcome back to returning students and welcome to students and parents who are new to Tanarata! As we begin our 17th year of operations, we hope you enjoyed your summer holidays and we look forward to seeing your children on the first day of school on Wednesday, August 30th. I am most excited to walk this academic journey with you, and I look forward to working together with you to make this a year of learning, growth, and success.

As your principal, my goal as always is to create a safe, welcoming, and supportive environment where all students can thrive. I believe that every student has the potential to succeed, and I am committed to providing them with the resources and opportunities they need to reach their full potential.

IGCSE Results for June 2023 Examinations

Let me begin by sharing with you the happy news of excellent results by our outgoing class of 2022-23. We had 90 students of our own and 6 private candidates from Year 9, 10 and 11 sitting for a total of 295 papers in 20 subjects of which 64% scored either an A* or an A! 90% of all of our students who sat have at least an A* or an A grade. This is phenomenal as CAIE has been trying to adjust the grades to get back to the pre pandemic levels. Please read the statement by CAIE in the link below.

<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/exam-administration/results/>

A more detailed analysis of the results will be posted on our facebook (fb) page soon. A handful of students are disappointed with their Art & Design grades. We are unsure as to what went wrong but Art & Design is also a subjective curriculum unlike the Sciences and Mathematics.

Sale of Books for the New Academic Year

Books and uniforms for the coming academic year is available at the online bookshop since 15 July 2023. I do hope you have been able to procure your items as listed in the booklist. More details on

this is available on our website. The link to the page is [here](#). Some books that are printed by the school will be available through the subject teachers once we return.

Note to New Students and their parents

1. Orientation for all new students

Date: **29th Aug 2023 (Tuesday)**

Time: **8 am - 10.00 am**

Venue: **School MPH for new students from Year 1-3.**

New Students (with their parents) joining us in other classes will be met by their class teachers on the same day.

2. To enhance the security aspects and minimize the likelihood of unauthorized person/s entering the campus, we have been issuing school **car security stickers**. Each family is entitled to two such stickers which should be collected personally from the security guard house after providing your vehicle registration number/s for school records. It is mandatory that every car entering the school premises to drop off or to pick up students have the car sticker clearly visible on the vehicles' windscreen.
3. Parents visiting the campus on the first day may wait at the café.

Parking and Traffic Flow Reminders

As you may know, traffic congestion during the peak times during the start of school and dismissal causes a gridlock at the entrance to the school. We ask again that parents and students obey traffic laws, demonstrate common courtesy, comply with our guards and parking attendants, and think SAFETY FIRST.

We encourage parents to choose to drop off and pick up their children from the parking area in the campus. Proper use of this area will decrease traffic congestion in the parking lots and reduce headaches. Above all, **please be courteous, considerate and patient.**

Parents wanting to walk into the campus to help their children into the classrooms will be allowed to do so only during the first week. After this period, parents are advised to walk with them only till the green gate closest to the old building and not beyond that into the classrooms. We would like to encourage students to become independent and responsible.

Shifting of Classes /Teachers

In the new academic year you might find that your child has been moved to a different class. This shifting and movement is done randomly. Requests for shifting of class from A to B or the other way around will not be honoured. Once your child has been placed in a classroom, they will remain there for the remainder of the year, barring extenuating circumstances. All our teachers are qualified and prepared to teach both classes. If you should have questions, please check in with your child's teacher regarding their progress or send me an email.

Parent Involvement in School

Tanarata has thrived due to a strong and positive influence from our parent community. As always, this year too, we will be focusing on a number of areas, including,

- Increasing student achievement in all areas
- Promoting student engagement and motivation
- Creating a positive school climate
- Building strong relationships between students, staff, and parents

The school community organises many functions like carnival, sports and swimming meet etc where your expertise will definitely go a long way.

The teachers and staff are looking forward to get to know you as parents and your child over the next few weeks. Lastly, throughout the school year, your child's teacher(s) and I will be making a specific effort to stay in touch with you. You will be informed of your child's progress and of school activities on routine basis. Look for papers coming home, newsletters, email updates, tips and reminders. Each and every student and parent is a special part of our school community. Your communication with the school and your support for our programs is very important to us.

I am confident that we can achieve great things together. I encourage you to get involved in your child's education and to support them in their academic and personal goals. Together, we can make this a year to remember.

Thank you.

Barnali Guha
Principal

Calendar *Dates to Remember !*

28 th Aug	Mon	Staff Meetings
29 th Aug	Tue	Orientation for new students
30th Aug	Wed	Start of new Academic year!
31 st Aug	Thurs	Merdeka Day (Public Holiday)
4 th -8 th Sept	Mon –Fri	Meet the parent week
11 th Sept	Mon	ECA starts
16 th Sept	Sat	Malaysia Day



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