

The Wolverine

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Welcome back to school!

by Khadija Wahla

A warm welcome back to school from the Journalism crew! We hope everyone had a blast over the summer, however now it's time to get back to work. This year there are many new faces around the building, and we couldn't be more thrilled about it. In particular, we welcome the newest members of the staff, Mr. Nabi and Mr. Cook, who have won our hearts already! In addition to new people joining us, the school schedule has also changed a bit. As most of you should know by now, TAP has moved from the middle of the school day to the very end of the school day. As we prepare for yet another fantastic academic year, we will be going on a number of exciting trips along the way. Our upcoming trip will be an overnight trip happening by the end of September; however, you will need to be a little patient to find out where everyone is going!



A message from our principal, Ms. Lyn Sato!

As principal, I have high hopes this will be our best year ever at TIPS! Our outstanding and versatile staff is ready for anything. Our school has a record number of excellent, motivated students who I know will surprise us again and again with their readiness and enthusiasm.

One of the easiest ways for you to make this the best year ever for yourself is simple: kindness. The kindness and goodwill that you provide to your school will return to you.

As the late, great tennis champ, Arthur Ashe, is known for saying: *"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can."* These words might sound easy, but imagine what the world would be like if everyone applied them for the greater good of their community.

The teachers and I expect a lot from our students this year, especially in the kindness and consideration categories. We all agree the year has amazing potential.

Do what you can to contribute to the school culture, we expect it!

Staff of the Issue

by Khadija Wahla

We can hardly contain our excitement as we welcome and get to know Mr. Nabi, the newest staff member. Mr. Nabi is from Afghanistan, where he worked as a school administrator. When asked why he chose to become a teacher, Mr. Nabi replied that he had always been interested in it and had indeed started long ago! He always yearned to experience the real life of a teacher when he was an administrator. He moved to Japan for his master's after finishing his undergraduate studies in India. The University of Tsukuba is where Mr. Nabi obtained his education master's degree. His favorite aspect of Japan is its management and organization, which he has learnt from his professors and colleagues. Soccer is one of Mr. Nabi's hobbies, both playing and watching. When asked what he enjoyed best about TIPS, he replied, "I like the students and how everyone is from different countries and backgrounds. I also like the supportive staff here."



Impressions of Tokyo

by Mischa Dobrowitsky



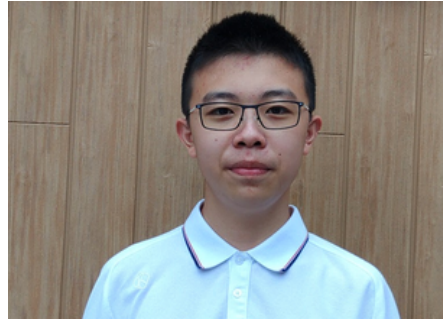
I recently moved from Holland, Michigan to Japan so my mom and I could live with my Grandma for a while. For three weeks we lived in Oshima to get settled in; we spent some time in Saitama with my great uncle. Recently we moved to Tokyo to be closer to the school. It's been fun, there's a lot more to see and experience than Oshima or where I was staying in Saitama. Everything is way more busy and way more crowded than what I'm used to, but it is pretty easy to find your way around and back when you remember the landmarks. Right now there is still a lot to see and experience. I haven't ventured very far into Tokyo and I'm excited to see the sites. I've been having a lot of fun so far. It's also pretty accessible. The school is also pretty cool. The teachers care a lot about the students and try their best to find a way to help them in their school work, and the students are also great here as well. I'm super excited to see what else there is to see here.

Heard That!

What is your favorite part of TIPS so far?



Ryan: Teachers, because they are better than American ones.



Alan: Physical science



Nicolas: The fact that there isn't much homework as my old school.



Izebella: Making new friends

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Ciaran: My favorite part is that TIPS is in Japan.



Kole: Mr. J-P was my first class and it was fun.



Archie: Coding, math, and science.



Dasya: Art, recess, and coding.



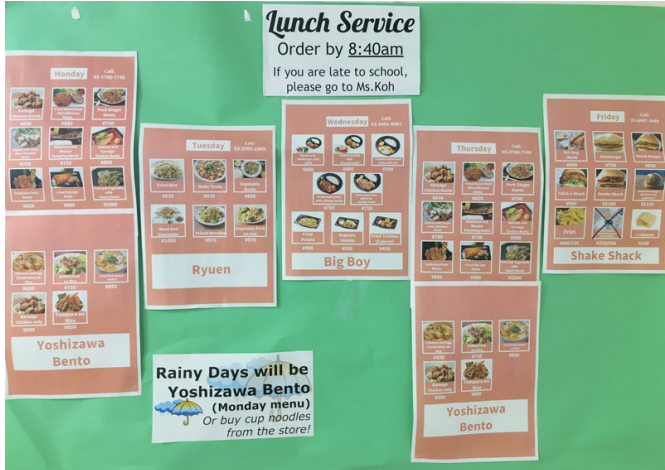
Jack: It's nice because we can go out at lunch.



Daniele: Art with Ms. Sato, recess, coding, and lunch time.

LUNCH SERVICE IS BACK!!!

Please remember to order lunch
before 8:40 am.



Monday: Yoshizawa Bento

Tuesday: Ryuen

Wednesday: Big Boy

Thursday: Yoshizawa Bento

Friday: Shake Shack

Warning Rainy days will
be Yoshizawa Bento or
food from the Snack
Shack

Clubs

From 15:25 to 16:15

Tuesday:

Advanced Board Games - Mr. Wan
Board Games - Mr. Mondino
Coding - TCC
Band - Ms. Koh

Friday:

Soccer - Mr. J-P and Mr. Nabi
Stamp making - Mr. Cook
Music Jam - Mr. Goodman



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**Announcement of great
things to look forward to:**

Arts/photo/poetry contests

Stay tuned!!