



# HELLO NORTH GREEN. IT'S TERM 2!

## Message from the Heads of School

Mr. Moses M. Kawuma (Primary) & Mrs. Sophie N. Bamwoyeraki (Secondary)

Welcome back from the Christmas break! The children and teachers look rested and ready to take on the term head on. Just like last term, we have a lot to cover through the 11 weeks of this term.

We would like to welcome all the new families to The North Green School and wish them a great time with us. If you have expertise in a specific field or an unusual hobby that you would like to share, please let us know.

### Our Focus

Among other things that we have to do in school this term, we are focusing on reading and mental math strategies. The teachers will receive in-service training in order to be able to teach these areas confidently.

### Reading

We have to deliberately ensure that our children are consistently reading on a daily basis. The reading sessions must be meaningful and should add value to the child's learning. It is also a good idea to encourage children to read for leisure.

When your child comes home with a reader, please confirm that he/she has read it and remember to write in the diary that it has been read so that the teacher can change it. Some children will have a follow up activity, please support them to complete these tasks.

The secondary school students and Year 6 have got an elaborate book review which they are expected to fill in and discuss whenever they complete reading a book. Please ask the child(ren) to share with you what they have written in their book review.

### Mental maths

Mental math is the practice of doing calculations in one's head without the need of paper, pen or calculator. One can think of it as manipulating numbers in the mind. In both primary and secondary, we do mental maths every day; when thinking of how much time is left for the class to get over; or how much money you need to buy a number of things. It's a very useful skill; yet remains one of the most under-developed. This is a skill children should learn at a very early age and so teachers are going to spend more time on equipping themselves and the children with the different mental maths strategies.

Read about the importance of mental maths strategies in our next Newsletter.

### Key Dates for Term 2

Date
Monday 29th – 2nd February
Tuesday 13th February
Wed/Thurs 14th – 15th February
Monday 26th February
Monday 5th – 9th March

Event
Book Week & Modern Languages Week
Swimming Gala
Half Term
Secondary School End of Term Exams
Poetry Week

### Guiding Scripture for the Week

#### GOD'S PROMISE

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Jeremiah 29:11

### Star of the Week

Year 1	Dara Tendereza
Year 2	Kolaiah Kemirembe
Year 3	Ethan Kawuma
Year 4	Kimberly Kamikazi
Year 5	Kayla Kunda
Year 6	Michelle Shawna

Wednesday 7th March

Monday 12th – 16th March

Tuesday 13th and 14th March

Friday 16th March

Friday 23rd March

**Beginning and End of the School day.**

We would like to encourage you to bring your children on time so that they don't miss out on the morning activities. Similarly, children should be picked latest at 4.30 p.m. otherwise every child left in school after that will be referred to the late room, which will attract a late collection fee charge of 15,000/= per child. This will have to be paid every end of month.

### Guitar and Piano Lessons.

We now have a teacher from Kampala Music School who will be teaching guitar/piano on a one to one basis. If you are interested in enrolling your child(ren), please contact Susan at reception. At 140,000 shillings a term, your child will have a lesson every week until the end of the term.

### Homework

Staying involved in your child's education is the key to a successful year. Engage your child in conversation about his/her day, but know that children won't always give out much information. Check in the homework diaries and sign them. Kindly check your child's homework diary each day, and make sure that your child returns the homework whenever it is due.

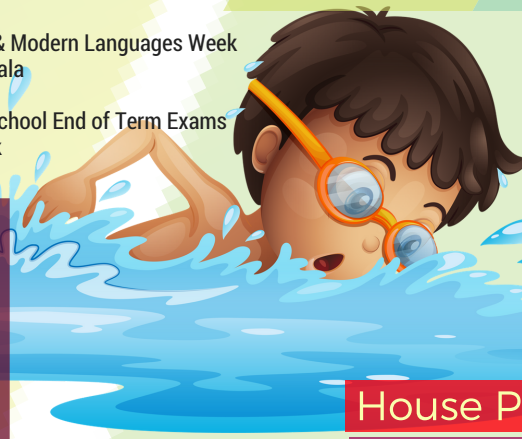
You are invited to contact us or visit the school any time that you have a question concerning your child's progress.

We consider it a great privilege to be responsible for your child.

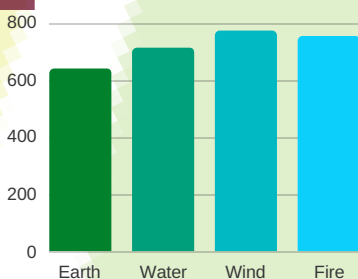
## the big splash

SWIMMING GALA

On Tuesday 13th Feb 2018, TNGS will converge at Machame Health Club Naguru (Vale Rd) for the first ever interhouse swimming gala. Houses Earth, Wind, Water and Fire will battle it out for the top prizes in the various activities. Come and cheer the children, parents and staff as they participate in the first ever interhouse sporting competition at The North Green School.  
Mr. Philip Kiwana (Sports Department)



### House Points



1. Fire 754
2. Wind 773
3. Earth 640
4. Water 713

### WHY SWIM???

Swimming is a great workout because you need to move your whole body against the resistance of the water. Swimming is a good all-round activity because it: keeps your heart rate up but takes some of the impact stress off your body. builds endurance, muscle strength and cardiovascular fitness.

SWIM NOW