



## Principal's Message



This edition of TRINS on Tuesday reflects that the majority of students have now started their holiday and will return to school in June - it is a lean edition. The final classes will take place this week. This certainly does not mean that the school has 'closed for the summer', despite the heat. As mentioned in the previous issue, the board examinations are underway and will continue until mid-June. And the teachers are both attending to end-of-year administration and preparing for the new academic year, including having input from outside providers, as you will read.

We had a virtual visit during the week linked to our application to join the Council of International Schools. Visits like this are a bit nerve-wracking; however, it was also a positive experience in that it was an opportunity to present the many qualities of Trivandrum International School, its students and teachers. You will not be surprised to learn that both students and teachers impressed our visitor with their enthusiasm for their school experience. In addition, there were questions that challenged me as head of school to reflect on what we do and how we might improve – progress is about moving beyond where we are. One of the school's many strengths is how seriously we take our motto 'Learning is for Life' and that striving for constant improvement is an institutional characteristic. We look ahead to how we can build on the successful year that is coming to its conclusion.

Mr. Richard Hillebrand

## TRINS MAIN CAMPUS

### SESSION ON TIME MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES

On Wednesday 24th April, High School students had a session on time management techniques. It was conducted by the Trivandrum chapter of Young Indians; Ms. Aditi and Ms. Shankari led the session. This was an interactive session with guidance and tips on how to use time effectively and manage a balance between school work and the other demands on their time that students have.

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**JOLLY PHONICS AND GRAMMAR TRAINING WORKSHOP**

Professional Jolly Phonics and Grammar Trainer, Ms Shaunas Jussa, the Founder and Director of Phonickids, conducted a four-day workshop, training all teachers from EY, SEN and PYP literacy team this week. The workshop provided a systematic and deeper understanding of teaching children how to read and spell using systematic phonics and its progression into Jolly Grammar.



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