



Tiffinian Association Bulletin

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Over **900** have so far applied for usernames and passwords for the **Tiffinian Association website**

www.tiffinfriends.org

Please register on the TiffinFriends website and encourage your Tiffin friends to also register.

Facebook

Please click on the logo above to become a 'fan' of the new site 'Tiffin Friends – the Tiffinian Association' Facebook 'fan' page



Please click on the logo above to enter the **Tiffin School website**



Please click on the icon above to see the **September 2011 Tiffin School Newsletter**

Tiffin Medics Society's First Meeting!

5pm to 7pm on Saturday 29th October 2011

This will be held in Tiffin School's main hall and is open to current students, alumni of both Tiffin Schools and current/past Tiffin parents who are connected to medicine and dentistry. Medical and dental students, doctors and dentists will have the opportunity to network and discuss how the Society could be of use to its members.

Kush Abeysekera (2005) is organising the group and will introduce the evening. There will be *no charge* to attend this reception, as the event is being sponsored by an Old Tiffinian, but we ask that you **book your place** via the TiffinFriends website. Admission is strictly by ticket only.

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News

Tiffin School Choir in Oz...

During the summer, the Tiffin School Choir had a very successful tour around Australia, visiting leading schools and venues in Brisbane, Canberra, Sydney, Melbourne and Perth. They were pleased to meet many Old Tiffinians at the concerts and at reception at the British Consul-General's Residence in Sydney.

[Click here](#) to view photos of the reception.

[Click here](#) to hear the choir singing Howells' *Like as the Hart* recorded at St James', King Street, Sydney



Tiffin School Leavers' Celebration at Kingston Parish Church

Despite the guest speaker, Zac Goldsmith MP, being unable to attend due to sickness, the evening was an entertaining and fitting tribute to our 2011 leavers. Prizes and TAL ties were presented by Miss Clarke; the boys were congratulated by Tiffin governor, John Lulham, MBE.

Summaries of the prize winners' achievements, written by their teachers, were read by current prefects. The guests heard how the boys excelled not only academically in their AS and A level results, but also in their sports and community service.

[To view photos of the evening, click here.](#)

[To view the 2011 university destinations, click here.](#)

[To view the 2011 university courses, click here.](#)



New sports facilities on Tiffin School site...

Through generous donations from Mrs J Dixon, in memory of her husband **Jim Dixon** (1963), the Desai Family, the **Neil Desai** Foundation, parental donations to the Tiffin Education Fund and a successful application for grant funding from PlaySport London, new facilities have been built.



1) The Jim Dixon Sports Facility, a 'MUGA' (Multi-Use Games Area) consisting of a large enclosed floodlit artificial pitch designed for rugby and football practice and matches. It will provide a valuable facility when bad weather prevents the use of Grist's or when there are academic demands on the Sports Centre.

2) The Neil Desai Cricket Nets replace the original 1999 nets. There are eight nets with gates across each of them.

3) Athletics has not been forgotten with the provision of a new long jump pit and a discus throwing circle.



Tiffin School Arts

Please click on the title above to see the Tiffin School Arts Calendar for this term.

It includes details of the annual Oratorio Concert at the Rose Theatre on 20th November and the School's production of 'Sweeney Todd' on 7-10th December.

Further information and tickets can be obtained by contacting the Tiffin Music Office on 020 8546 4638 ext 133



On 25th August 2011, a team of six, including OT **Mark Delstanche** (1992), reached the 1996 position of the Magnetic North Pole in Deer Bay, after rowing across the Canadian Arctic, from Resolute Bay. A route only possible because of reductions in sea ice. The crew spent over four weeks on the nine metre-long rowing boat, under constant threat from sea ice and polar bears.

Please [click here](#) to see more details of Marks exciting achievements (including reaching the summit of Everest in 2010).

Do keep us informed of your achievements since leaving Tiffin!



TAL Events



OT Rugby Club

Vice-Presidents' & Ex-Players' Lunch

The next lunch will take place on Saturday 8th October at Grist's, and the opponents that day will be CL London.

The bar will be open from noon, lunch will be at 1.15pm and the match will start at 3pm.

Tickets are priced at £20 (which includes some beer & wine on the tables). All are welcome.

Book your place with **Peter Smith** on 020 8398 4748.



RBS 6 Nations Tickets

Tickets are available through the OT Rugby Club for England's games against:

- a) Wales on Saturday 25th February 2012 and
- b) Ireland on Saturday 17th March 2012.

Ticket prices, including a £1.00 booking fee, are £57.00, £66.00 and £81.00.

There is a two ticket limit per person.

To order tickets, please email **John Wright** at johnwright@clifton66.freeserve.co.uk



Tiffin School Remembrance Day Service

Friday 11 November 2011 at Tiffin School

Alumni are most welcome to attend the service at the school.

Please contact Alex Swift on TAL@tiffin.kingston.sch.uk

or ring her on 020 8546 4638 if you wish to come as numbers are restricted.

The 100th Tiffinian Association Annual Dinner, 11-11-11!

Friday 11th November 2011 at Tiffin School

We are delighted that **Derek Wood** (1956) CBE QC has agreed to speak at the Dinner.

Drinks (beer and wines) will be available from 6pm; carriages at 11pm.

Tickets are £30 each. Please [click here](#) to purchase your ticket.

[Click here](#) to see the names of some of those who will be attending.



The Tiffinian Association AGM

Wednesday 23rd November 2011

Dean Pavilion, Tiffinian Sports Ground, Summer Road, East Molesey KT8 9LS

The bar will open at 7pm and the meeting will start at 8pm

All members of the Tiffinian Association are welcome to attend

Other Tiffin Associations

Tiffin Schools' Boat Club (TSBC)



New Landing Stage at the Boathouse

Following the refurbishment of the changing facilities earlier in the year at the Boathouse, another milestone was reached on Saturday 1st October when the Mayor re-opened a brand new landing stage. Work had started on replacing the old (and quite dangerous!) landing stage in March and was completed in August. Not only is there now a state-of-the-art landing stage, but the river bank has been repaired and enhanced by the Royal Borough of Kingston. The £100,000 landing stage was funded by Tiffin Schools' Boat Club, Kingston Rowing Club and generous grants from the Veolia Trust and the Waterways Trust.



TSBC Barn Dance

7.30pm 'till 10.30pm

Saturday 15th October in the Tiffin School main hall.

The "Banshee Ceilidh band" will play with a caller and a licensed bar.

Tickets are £10 and available by emailing bastian.ellis@btinternet.com



The TSBC crew will be rowing in a sponsored **Oxford-Kingston Row 2011** on 8th and 9th October 2011, as advertised by British Rowing in their [latest online publication](#)

Tiffin Parents' Association, In Conversation with...Simon Andrewes

7.30pm on Thursday 20th October in the Judge Lecture Theatre

Simon Andrewes, a recent Chair of the Tiffin Parents' Association, Governor and father of two ex-Tiffinians will be In Conversation with Hilda Clarke on Thursday 20th October. Simon will be giving an insider's perspective on BBC News, based on his 30 year career there as a producer, editor and ultimately as Head of Newsroom Development where he played a leading role in shaking up the organisation for the digital age. He left last year to become a consultant and is currently engaged by the BBC as Programme Director for the Journalism Portal, a ground-breaking online tool to help collaboration between radio, television and online news services.

Tickets: £2 child/student; £5 adult are available online by [clicking here](#) or can be purchased on the door.



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