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First Edition! New School Year, New Voices! Sakura in bloom sets the scene as TNUSS welcomes a new academic year.

# New School Year Blossoms at TNUSS!

By LEDD (Language Education Development Department)

#### Hello, TNUSS students, families, teachers and staff!

As the sakura blooms and gently marks the arrival of spring in Japan, a new school year begins—full of promise, wonder, and fresh starts. Just as the sakura reminds us of beauty in new beginnings, we welcome you to the very first issue of **TNUSS Voices**—a space where languages and cultures meet, and every voice has a story to share.

Created by LEDD, this initiative is meant to grow with you, shaped by your stories, your ideas, and your creativity. Our vision is to mentor and empower students to take the lead in exploring cultures, sharing experiences, and building bridges across borders through language.

This school year, let TNUSS Voices be your invitation to dream boldly, stay curious, and connect deeply with one another and the world.

Here's to a year filled with language, learning, and laughter just like the fleeting but unforgettable sakura season.

#### Where Words Connect Worlds: LEDD Vision

At the Language Education Development Department (LEDD), we believe that languages are more than just words—they have the power to connect people, spark curiosity, and build bridges across cultures and ideas. Our vision is to:

**Celebrate Diversity:** Encourage students to explore the languages, traditions, and stories that make our world unique.

**Promote Connection:** Help students find their voice and build meaningful connections within our school and beyond.

**Spark Innovation:** Create fun, creative and engaging ways to learn and grow, like newsletters, podcasts, and interactive classes.

Our goal is to make language education an inspiring and inclusive experience for everyone in the TNUSS community.

"Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going."– Rita Mae Brown

### **Meet the Team** ENGLISH COMMUNICATION TEACHERS



With a blend of cultures and expertise, our English teachers connect the world through language.

At TNUSS, our English Communication Teachers do more than teach grammar and vocabulary—they open doors to global understanding. With a strong foundation in inclusive and student-centered teaching, they are dedicated to helping students build the skills they need to communicate with confidence and connect across cultures. Their approach aligns closely with the school's mission to foster respect, empathy, and lifelong learning. Through engaging lessons and meaningful mentorship, they empower students to think critically, express themselves clearly, and participate actively in a diverse and interconnected world.

## Exciting Things to Look Forward To!



## Enrichment Classes Starting in May

We're thrilled to introduce our newest enrichment classes, designed to take you on a journey across the globe!

**Global Voices:** Discover the beauty and magic of languages! You'll learn basic expressions from fascinating languages like French, Spanish, and more. From greetings to everyday phrases, we'll explore how people communicate around the world. Get ready to speak, learn, and connect in a truly global way!

**Global Cultures:** Step into the colorful world of traditions and lifestyles! Explore interesting customs, festivals, and unique ways of life from different parts of the world. Through engaging lessons, you'll dive into the heart of cultural diversity and discover what makes each culture special!

These classes will kick off in May, so get ready to join and make your voice heard.

## TNUSS Voices Podcast Launching in May

Big news! The TNUSS Voices Podcast is coming this May. This podcast will take you behind the scenes with inspiring conversations about language, culture, and student life.

You can look forward to interviews with teachers and students, fun facts about languages, and so much more.

Episodes will be broadcast during lunchtime via your classroom TVs, so don't miss out!



# TEST YOUR GLOBAL IQ

#### Try these fun trivia questions!

- In Australian slang, if someone says
  "I'm feeling crook," what do they mean?
  - A. They're really angry.
  - B. They're feeling sick.
  - C. They're broke (no money).
  - D. They're tired.
- 2. Which of these foods comes from France? A. croissant
  - A. CLOISSAL
  - B. pizza
  - C. sushi
  - D. tacos

Check your answers on the last page of the newsletter and see how globally smart you are!



#### A Note from the Language Education Development Department (LEDD)

As part of our enrichment classes, **Global Voices and Global Cultures,** we're opening the door to everyone! Whether you're signed up for the classes or simply curious, we warmly invite you to join in. Teachers are welcome too!

Each session includes a feedback form, where you can share your thoughts, ideas, and experiences. Selected responses will be featured in the TNUSS Voices Newsletter and Podcast, letting your voice shine throughout our school community.

We're inviting students and teachers to take part in the very first episode of our podcast. We're especially excited to hear about **"My Favorite Thing About TNUSS"**. Share what makes TNUSS special to you, and submit your impressions to LEDD or your English Communication teacher.

This is your chance to connect, share, and be part of something meaningful. Walk in, join the conversation, and let your voice be heard!

Check the posters for more details coming soon around school!

#### Thank you for reading TNUSS Voices!

We're just getting started! Have an idea, a fun fact, or a cool story to share? We want to hear from you! The more you share, the better this newsletter becomes. Let's keep the good vibes going and make TNUSS Voices the heart of our school stories!



A team of global minds, connecting cultures through language at TNUSS.



#### Speak Out, Shine Bright, Join a Contest!



There are many English speech and presentation contests outside school this year—and you could be part of them! Take the challenge and share your voice with a wider audience.

Interested? Talk to your English Communication teacher to learn more and sign up!



