



APPLICATION  
**BOOKLET**  
2018



# INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Dear Parents/ Carers,

A very warm welcome to Telfair International Primary School. We hope the following pages will give you a glimpse of what our wonderful school offers. There is no denying that every child is unique and this is valued and celebrated at Telfair. Our ambition is to nurture all children, enabling them to achieve well, regardless of their starting point.

We also feel strongly that it is our job as educators to encourage children to become resilient, confident, responsible, well-rounded people who know the difference between right and wrong. A positive learning culture is evident throughout Telfair; we encourage our pupils to develop enquiring minds and a “can do” attitude to all aspects of the curriculum.

Alongside this, we provide a caring and supportive environment meaning that every child is given the opportunity to be the very best he/she can be; that they value themselves and build self confidence. Beyond the classroom, we offer a rich and extensive range of clubs for children to develop a variety of skills, interests and talents.

Please get in touch with us if you would like to come for a tour of the school. We look forward to welcoming you to Telfair International Primary School.

From the Telfair Team





# OUR SCHOOL

Telfair International Primary School is an English co-educational school situated in Tamarin. The school first opened its doors in January 2007. We cater for children from 5 to 12 years old who then follow on to one of the private secondary schools on the island. We are presently a direct feeder school to Le Bocage Secondary High School in Moka. We are pleased to say that together with Le Bocage, Telfair International Primary School and our feeder school Tiny Tots Day Care Centre will be integrating into the new smart and happy village of Cap Tamarin.

Telfair is a small community school that has a warm and happy atmosphere. Our teacher-student ratio is low to encourage individualized teaching. Each teacher has the support of an assistant teacher and this greatly helps to give more attention to each child to reach his/her full potential.

We are presently occupying two large houses and two large playgrounds. Our school has a homely and family feel where our children are nurtured as they increase their learning process and social skills. Our children are encouraged to socially mix across all ages.

Our air-conditioned classrooms are bright and provide a happy and conducive learning environment. We have separate rooms for: Computers, Library, Drama, Monkeynastix, Art, Dancing, Music as well as a shaded area where all children are seated at tables to eat their lunch.

All children are to wear a school uniform. This consists of a cotton shirt for both boys and girls, grey shorts for boys and grey "skorts" for girls. Children are allowed to wear sandals in summer and closed shoes and white socks in winter. Footwear must be dark (except for those used during sports activities -dark or white sports shoes) along with their School Sports Wear.

# OUR AIM

We would like our children to leave us knowing the importance of

**RESPECT:** respect yourself, respect others

**UNDERSTANDING:** understand what you learn, what you see and what you do

**RESPONSIBILITY:** take responsibility for your actions and words

We believe it is important for children to feel confident and happy in their achievements, while remaining keen to progress through the challenges TIPS curriculum offers.

We seek to promote positive attitudes and awareness of others and respect for the richness of all cultures. Our aim is that when our children leave us, they take with them not only a valuable academic grounding, but also sound values and perseverance.



# OUR CURRICULUM

We provide a broad, balanced, relevant education incorporating the British National Curriculum. Within this framework, we provide an education, which offers a coherent and continuous range of knowledge and skills, which allows our children to participate, and to develop an inquiring mind and a confident personality.

## OUR SUBJECTS

Numeracy	Geography
Literacy	Music and Singing
Design and Technology	Art and Design
Science	Drama
Citizenship, Personal and Social Education	Physical Education (Dancing, Aquagym, Team Games, Monkeynastix, Athletics)
French- First and Foreign language	Library
Computing/ Educational Games/Robotics	
History	

Our classes are divided into Key Stage 1 (Classes R – 2) and Key Stage 2 (Classes 3-6). Our qualified and experienced staff are fluent English speakers. French classes are given by qualified teachers who teach in their mother tongue as first language and second language depending on the child's level.

Our teachers are carefully selected to meet our standards of excellence in modern teaching methods, providing quality delivery of our curriculum, assessing and promoting each child's way of comprehending and applying their knowledge in a positive environment.



# DATES AND TIMES

Our school year runs from January to December and is divided into three terms. We have a midterm break during term two and three. These dates are confirmed at the end of each year for the following year and will be sent out to each parent.

The school day starts at 8.15 am and ends at 2.15pm on Mondays to Thursdays.

On Fridays, school ends at 1.00pm.

There is a short morning break of 15 minutes and a lunch break lasting 40 minutes.

# MEALS AT TELFAIR

Parents are welcome to send in a snack and lunch, but Telfair International Primary School does collaborate with an external canteen lunch service, and parents are welcome to choose a balanced, cooked meal for each day of the month. Parents are to deal directly with the caterer for cancellation or any other questions regarding the canteen service. All our children sit at tables together and eat their lunch. Lunches go into fridges in the morning and we heat up their lunch.



# OUR ADMISSION PROCEDURE

**WE WELCOME CHILDREN THROUGHOUT THE ACADEMIC YEAR AND FROM MANY DIFFERENT COUNTRIES. THE PROCESS FOR CHILDREN APPLYING IS AS FOLLOWS:**

- Fill out our Application Form and pay the registration fee. The school will then put your child's name on the school list or waiting list. This fee is non-refundable.
- Call to book an interview with our Head or Deputy Head Principal to visit the school and for any testing that may be required. Please bring along the latest school report, samples of work and any reports your children may have obtained from doctors or specialists. Children joining Telfair from our feeder school, Tiny Tots, will be tested at school in September. Orientation Day: They will be invited to Telfair for a visit to meet the teachers and see the school from the inside.
- Children coming from a different curriculum may be required to make an appointment and go for testing with our SEN teacher for a placement evaluation. This will also ensure that there are no gaps coming from other schools and different countries and that their integration in Telfair is as smooth as possible.
- Kindly fill out our Enrolment form and pay the enrolment fee once your child's place has been confirmed at school to secure your child's place. Children joining Reception Class are to pay this fee by April (the year before joining Telfair). This fee is non-refundable.
- Expat children are to pay a term's deposit, which is offset against the fees should the correct written term's notice be given. This will be off set during the last term at school. Children starting Reception Class are to pay this deposit by the month of September of the year before joining.
- Fill out and sign all the forms in our Admission Pack - confidentiality forms, photo and playground authorisation forms, insurance forms, and attach copies of reports. Kindly send a copy of your child's birth certificate, Mauritian ID card and a passport photo of your child.
- Please note that children coming from other curriculums may be required to sit an entrance exam to assess their level and put them into the correct ability class.

# SCHOOL FEES

We have a school fee increase at the beginning of each year. Fee changes for the following school year is communicated to parents at the beginning of the third term.

There is a two-tier system of fees - one for Mauritians and an alternative one for non-Mauritians.

## OUR FEES STRUCTURE FOR 2018 ARE:

	<b>MAURITIAN</b>	<b>NON-MAURITIAN</b>	
Application fees	Rs 2 100	Rs 2 100	Non refundable
Enrolment fees	Rs 35 000	Rs 50 500	Non refundable
<b>Expats:</b> One full Term's deposit	-	Rs 55 200	<b>1. Expats: An additional deposit representing one full term will be applicable to all Non-Mauritians.</b> This deposit will be offset against school fees should the proper notice be given.
Fees per month	Rs 10 300	Rs 13 800	Over 12 months
Fees per term	Rs 41 200	Rs 55 200	Each term covers 4 months x 3.

# PAYMENTS

Application and Enrolment fees are non-refundable. Fees can be paid termly or monthly

School fees are to be paid in advance by the start of each month or term.

The monthly fees are due before the 28th of each month or by the 3rd day of the term for the termly fees.

Each term covers 4 months of the year.

School fees include the cost of textbooks, exercise books, stationary and art materials.

Extra Curricular Activities are per paid termly

### Bank Details:

**Account name:** Telfair International Primary School

**Bank:** Mauritius Commercial Bank Ltd

**Branch:** Black River

**Account No:** 0000 38 051 8406

**Reference:** Child's Name

**Cheques drawn to:** Telfair International Primary School

For reconciliation purposes



# OUR FEEDER SCHOOL



TELFAIR INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL IS A FEEDER SCHOOL TO LE BOCAGE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND SENDING OUR CHILDREN ON TO LE BOCAGE INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL (LBIS)

LBIS is a well-established International School in Mauritius that caters for the education of boys and girls from the ages of 11 to 19. The school is an authorized IBO World School offering an English medium international education. The school is accredited by the Council of International Schools (CIS). The current enrolment is just over 600 students. LBIS offers the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (Forms 1 – 5) and Diploma Programme (Forms 6 & 7), and the Cambridge IGCSE (Forms 4 & 5) For further information, kindly visit their website: [www.lebocage.net](http://www.lebocage.net)



# WHY “TELFAIR” INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL?

Dr. Charles Telfair was an English surgeon who worked on the British Navy ships between 1808 and 1810. In many respects, he proved himself to be innovative, knowledgeable and above all humane. He was the first sugar estate owner to set up a school for his workers’ children. He introduced machines to increase productivity and was the first to use a horizontal sugar mill. He was the founder of the Natural History Society in Mauritius. He used his extensive botanical and zoological knowledge to introduce new plants and animals to the island.

Dr. Telfair lived through and participated in the Napoleonic Wars, but he befriended and was admired by French and British alike. Throughout the years he lived in Mauritius he sought to raise the living standards of the inhabitants, regardless of their ethnic backgrounds. He remains an inspirational figure for his often selfless contribution to his adopted country. His logo, of an arm with an arrow, was derived from his conviction that with self confidence, vision, courage and strong beliefs, your arrow would reach its target without the need of a bow.



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