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Result of the District Soroban Competition in Tongatapu

The District Soroban Competition for Primary Schools in Tongatapu concluded on Thursday, 24 August 2017, with the Western District Soroban Competition held at the Alai Pulotu Hall, Te'ekiu village.

49 Primary Schools again participated in the districts competitions this year, and brought about 830 soroban students from classes 3, 4 and 5 to compete each other in the three judging events; the Written examination, Oral examination and Flash examination.

St. Falakiko 'Asisi Primary School won the Central District Soroban Competition held on Tuesday, 15 August at the Queen Salote Memorial Hall, Hoi Government Primary School won the Eastern District Competition held on Thursday, 17 August at the Vakaua Hall, in Vaini and Tokomololo Government Primary School won the Western District Competition. The top 30% students from each district competition will represent Tongatapu Primary School in the National Soroban Competition scheduled next year in March.

Soroban education has been proven by Tonga's Ministry of Education and Training to have strengthened the mathematical skills of primary students, since its introduction to the Kingdom in the 1970's. The Embassy of Japan in Nuku'alofa in close collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Training have co-hosted the soroban competitions since 2010, simultaneously awarded winners of the Class 5 Written Category from the National Competition an opportunity to visit Japan and participate in a soroban summer camp funded by the Japan International Soroban Diffusion Foundation.

The 2017 Soroban Competition began with the competitions in the outer islands of Ha'apai and Vava'u, and following the district competitions in Tongatapu will be the soroban competition for 'Eua islands in September. The soroban competition is greatly supported each year by the Tonga Soroban Education Association, JICA Tonga Office, and Japan International Soroban Diffusion Foundation.

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Attached: District Results & Photos

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Result

Central District Soroban Competition, 15 August 2017

Class 3

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Malia Siena Pe'ei	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Chin Tonga'onevai	GPS Nuku'alofa	'Alipate Tausinga	St. Falakiko 'Asisi
2	'Alipate Tausinga	St. Falakilo 'Asisi	Fe'auini Fotofili	GPS Nuku'alofa	'Atelaite Tahī	St. Falakiko 'Asisi
3	'Asinate Mafi	St. Falakilo 'Asisi	Kayliana Singh	GPS Popua	Malia Siena Pe'ei	St. Falakiko 'Asisi

Class 4

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Paula Misa	Hillard Memorial School	Fe'ofa'aki Lavakehelotu	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Likamoana Kautoke	St. Falakiko 'Asisi
2	Lexington Tupou	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Lexington Tupou	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Lexington Tupou	St. Falakiko 'Asisi
3	Likamoana Kautoke	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Kalonikakala Tu'a	GPS Kolomotu'a	Lu'isa Alamea Palu	GPS Kolomotu'a

Class 5

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Joshua Tupou	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Tilema Vaivelata	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Siaosi Sovaleni	Ngele'ia
2	Luseane Leger	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Pisila Katoa	GPS Kolomotu'a	Falasia Tongia	Ngele'ia
3	Kalapu Taulanga	St. Falakiko 'Asisi	Sulia 'Ilangana	GPS Ngele'ia	Uilamila Fahamoekioa	Ngele'ia

Teacher

1	'Akosita 'Anau	GPS Fasi
2	Latai Uhi Paongo	Fanga
3	Taina Faupula	St. Falakiko 'Asisi

School

1	St. Falakiko 'Asisi
2	GPS Ngele'ia
3	GPS Fanga

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Result - Eastern District Soroban Competition, 17 August 2017

Class 3

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Tevita Kava Leone	Lapaha	'Ofa ki Manono Finau	Ha'amonga	Rosary Tangifua	Hoi
2	Melisa 'Amone	Mu'a	Monalisa Fungalei	Mu'a	Melisa 'Amone	Mu'a
3	Lavelua Pulu	Kolonga	Tevita Kolo	Mu'a	Maria Lolesio	Lapaha

Class 4

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Vila Malia Sili	Ha'amonga	Marina Vaiangina	Kolonga	Vila Malia Sili	Ha'amonga
2	Viliami 'Akau'ola	Mu'a	Hingano Finau	'Atele	Vai Mafi	Mu'a
3	Losa Falekaono	Hoi	Vila Malia Sili	Ha'amonga	Losa Falekaono	Hoi

Class 5

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Tupou Neiafu Leone	Lapaha	Fai'ana Moala	Ha'amonga	Tupou Neiafu Leone	Lapaha
2	Sipola Ma'upese	Hoi	Makeleta Kaumavae	Afa	Mirian Pulu	Kolonga
3	Makeleta Kaumavae	Afa	Fotu'avakaola Vea	Kolonga	Sioeli Hafoka	Hoi.

Teacher

1	Vahengafo'ou Po'uli	GPS Tu'aliku
2	Tupou Katoa	GPS Hoi
3	Lupe Mahe	GPS Afa

School

1	GPS Hoi
2	GPS Ha'amonga
3	GPS Mu'a

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Result - Western District Soroban Competition, 24 August 2017

- Class 3

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Kolianita 'Ungo'unga	Tokomololo	'Amelia Kaufo'ou Latu	Hofoa	'Eseta To'a	Tokomololo
2	'Eseta To'a	Tokomololo	Saia Tavake	Hofoa	Kolonita 'Ungo'unga	Tokomololo
3	Temaleti Moala	Tokomololo	Manutaliu Mafi	Hofoa	Kasinita Havili	Tokomololo

- Class 4

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	David 'Aho	Tokomololo	Irene Mapa	Tokomololo	Tupou Seini 'Ungo'unga	Tokomololo
2	Kaneisoni Mafi	Ha'alalo	Tupou Seini 'Ungo'unga	Tokomololo	Irene Mapa	Tokomololo
3	Tupou Seini 'Ungo'unga	Tokomololo	Kaneisoni Mafi	Ha'alalo	Milise 'Etu	Tokomololo

- Class 5

	Written		Oral		Flash	
1	Malie 'Olie	Tokomololo	Malia 'Olie	Tokomololo	Malia 'Olie	Tokomololo
2	Haitelenisia Tu'utafaiva	Tokomololo	Lavinia Tanimana	Tokomololo	Seini Prescott	Hofoa
3	Vetea Mahe	Tokomololo	Ma'u Vite	Tokomololo	Teuaki Lutui	Tokomololo

- Teacher

1	Kolianita 'Ungo'unga	GPS Tokomololo
2	Luseane Hui	GPS Pea
3	Veisia Faletau	GPS Tokomololo

- School

1	GPS Tokomololo
2	GPS Hofoa
3	GPS Pea

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Soroban Student from St. Falakiko 'Asisi Primary School who won the Top School of the Central District Soroban Competition on Tuesday, 15 August 2017.



Top 3 of the Class 5 Written Examination from the Central District Soroban Competition.

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Top 3 of the Class 4 Written Examination from the Eastern District Soroban Competition on Thursday, 17 August 2017.



The Eastern District Soroban Competition at the Vakaua Hall, at Vaini.

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Top 3 of the Class 5 Written Category from the Western District Soroban Competition, on Thursday 24 August 2017.



Winners of the Written Category from the Western District Soroban Competition, on Thursday 24 August 2017.

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