## My Favourite Novel: Tuesdays with Morrie

Good morning Principal, Vice-principals, teachers and students,

Today I would like to share with you a book named 'Tuesdays with Morrie'.

The story is about a professor, Morrie, and his student, Mitch. Mitch once had a dream but he did not realize it until after his graduation. He has been living aimlessly as a well-paid journalist for 16 years and, one day, he comes across his favourite professor, who has been diagnosed with ALS, on television. Mitch contacts his beloved professor and travels to Morrie's home to visit him. After that first meeting they decided to meet up every Tuesday. During their meetings, they discuss matters of life, like love, work, social issues, popular culture and even ageing and death. They share a relationship more like that between father and son than teacher and student. Mitch tape records his discussions with Morrie so that he may compile notes with which to write a book, a project which he and Morrie refer to as their last thesis together. Finally, Morrie dies.

I have learned a lot through reading their discussions. Morrie said, 'When you learn how to die, you learn how to live.' This saying tells us that we only live once. In order to get meaning from life, we should devote ourselves to loving other people and to our family and the community. We should cherish time spent with loved ones and learn how to equip ourselves to face unknown challenges in the future.

Tuesdays with Morrie is a very inspiring book and I strongly recommend it to you. This is the end of my sharing. Thank you.