Lifeforte International Schools



Bloom End Newsletter

24th March, 2016

Key Facts to Note:

- Extension Classes 2016
- External Examinations 2016
- International Day 2016
- International Women's Day 2016

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

We give all the glory to the triune God for His faithfulness in seeing us through the Bloom Term, 2015/2016 session. On behalf of the Chairman, CEO and the entire members of staff of the school, we wish our dear parents a wonderful Easter, praying that as we seek Him with greater humility, our experience of His resurrection power will usher in abundant glory into our lives and families in Jesus name, Amen.

RESUMPTION

Today marks the end of the Bloom (2nd) term which commenced on 6th January, 2016. The Harvest term begins on Saturday 16th April, 2016. All students are expected to resume on this day. We solicit your usual co-operation in instilling the virtue of punctuality in our children especially in view of the forthcoming promotion examination.

PROGRESS /REPORT

Your child/ward's academic report for the term is enclosed. We strongly encourage parents to review the reports carefully with a view to taking full advantage of the school's Open Door policy to discuss directly with school management on 08052264640 or send an email to <u>principal@lifeforte.com</u> in order to explore personalised learning strategies where necessary.

We would like to remind parents desiring to discuss issues concerning their children directly with the CEO Mrs. Sarah Johnson to do by email at <u>sarahj.enquiries@lifeforte.com</u> or through our suggestion box link on our website (<u>www.lifeforte.com</u>).

EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS AND EXTENSION CLASSES

Extension classes begin for Grades 9, 11 12 & A level students as earlier advised. Detailed preparations for forthcoming external examinations will commence in earnest. We trust the Lord for guidance, empowerment, anointing, favour and excellence of spirit for our students as they prepare for their examination. We believe God together with you for outstanding results of A*s and A1s in Jesus name, Amen. The external examinations to be written are;

1. Grade 9

- a. Cambridge Checkpoint April 2016
- b. IJSCE May/June 2016

2. Grade 11

a. Cambridge O/L May/June 2016 (as a trial run only for students who met the set requirements)

3. Grade 12 & A level

a. Cambridge O/A level respectively May/June 2016b. WAEC March/May 2016

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Morning Assembly Programme

'How to achieve A*/A1 in exams' was the focus this half term and successive programmes focussed on English Language, Mathematics, Science and Social Science subjects at junior and senior levels as a means of assisting our students with preparing for the exams. Stimulating quiz sessions were organised as part of each presentation to reinforce concepts taught and to provide specific examples of questions with varying levels of difficulty.

INTER-SCHOOL BASKETBALL - LIFEFORTE vs ACA

Having defeated American Christian Academy (ACA) away from home last year, the Lifeforte basketball team hosted an ACA team looking keen to avenge their defeat. The game began with a fast pace as both teams tried to establish dominance early on. The points built up slowly as blocked shots, intense rebounds and free throws became prominent in the game. The coaches called for frequent time-outs in a bid to outdo the opponents. Lifeforte took an early five point lead which seemed intact until the fourth quarter when ACA tied the match at 22-22 after a couple of three pointers in quick succession. The Lifeforte team resumed the match (after time-out) with better teamwork and a flurry of passes earning a free throw and a rebound to win the match at 25-22. Well done Lifeforte! Thank you ACA for a good match.

GLOBAL ISSUES: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2016

Lifeforte News Desk gave a special presentation to commemorate INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2016 themed **'Planet 50-50 by 2030: Step It Up for Gender Equality'**. The presentation was highly educative and aptly summed up with an extract from the speech given by the UN Secretary General, Ban Ki-moon to celebrate the event. "We have shattered so many glass ceilings, we created a carpet of shards. Now we are sweeping away the assumptions and bias of the past so women can advance across new frontiers."

INTERNATIONAL DAY 2016

The much anticipated International Day competition between grades took place on Wednesday 23rd March featuring **Greece** (grade7), **Costa Rica** (grade 8), **Egypt** (grade9), **New Zealand** (grade 10), **Jamaica** (grade11) and **China** (grade 12). The competition kicked off in the morning with a quiz on national facts where representatives from each grade displayed their robust knowledge of respective countries. China and Greece came out on top in this category with a tie of 16 points. At a point, competitors were required to render the national anthems of their respective countries without prior notice. Later in the evening, the main event was graced by the presence of our elegant and loving CEO, Mrs Sarah Johnson and an expert panel of judges. It commenced with timeline presentations aimed at presenting salient facts about each country in minutes. Jamaica secured first place with a well organized presentation rich in content and colour delivered with impressive clarity. Egypt and New Zealand were second and third in this category. In the drama/dance/song category, China put up a command performance with such aplomb that not only drew a standing ovation, but earned them first place in this category with a whopping 19.8 out of a maximum 20 points! Jamaica was a close second with their beautiful rendition of "Be happy" by Bobby McFerrin and an exciting dance presentation. Egypt came 3rd with a drama /dance presentation of an ancient Egypt palace court scene. In the category of arts and crafts display, Jamaica emerged winner with notably an extraordinary painting of Bob Marley and a splendid arrangement of cupcakes to depict the Jamaica nfag.

An elegant fashion show exhibiting the costume worn in different countries concluded the show. Overall, Jamaica emerged winners followed by China and Egypt. We say a heartfelt 'thank you to every member of our expert panel of judges and a big 'well done' to our wonderful children ably supported by talented staff of our performing arts department. Congratulations to Grade 11 and well done everyone!

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We encourage parents to pay on or before resumption for the Harvest term to ensure a seamless issuance of clearance from the Bursary department. We pray the Lord to grant you divine enabling grace and an abundant supply of resources as you invest in our beloved children, God's heritage.

GENERAL

Please monitor your child/children's spiritual growth while at home, censoring what they read and watch. You are enjoined to encourage them in daily prayer, daily Bible reading and communion with the Holy Spirit. God bless you all. Have a wonderful Easter Holiday.

Love from us all – Lifeforte family.

Mrs Grace Aina Principal