

7th June, 2014

KEY FACTS TO NOTE:

- **Valedictory Service 2014**
- **External Examinations 2014**
- **Early Decision 'A' Level programme**
- **International Junior School Certificate Examinations**
- **Effective preparation for promotion examinations**
- **Imbibing a strong reading culture**

Dear Sir/Madam,

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

We give God all glory and praise for the first half of the 2014 Harvest term. The mid-term break for the Harvest Term begins today 7th June, 2014.

PROGRESS REPORT

The progress report of your child/ward is hereby enclosed. We encourage you as partners in progress to review their work, discuss their progress with them and encourage their diligent and effective preparation towards the forthcoming promotion examinations.

RESUMPTION

Students are expected back in school on Saturday 14th June, 2014 especially in view of the promotion examinations which begin on 30th June, 2014.

VALEDICTORY SERVICE

The valedictory service for the outgoing set of 2014 comes up on Saturday, 21st June 2014. Please find important details highlighted below:

Venue: **JBJ Auditorium, Lifestar International High School**

Time: **11:00am**

Dress Code: **Formal**

All parents, families and alumni are cordially invited.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

To the glory of God, the Cambridge Checkpoint examination and the WASSC examinations 2014 have been successfully concluded. The Cambridge O and A level papers are still in progress till June 11th, 2014. We appreciate our Triune God for tangible grace and favour that overshadowed the meticulous preparation of our students and continue to trust Him that the good work He has begun in them will be crowned with a bountiful harvest of A*, A1 and 6.0 grades in Jesus name!

EARLY DECISION PROGRAMME (FAST TRACK A LEVEL PROGRAMME)

An unquestionably win-win entry path to the most prestigious universities in the UK, USA, Canada and Nigeria. The Lifeforte International Early Decision (ED) is an accelerated A level programme which compresses the 2 year sixth form course into an 18 month academic programme commencing in the 12th grade. The unique authenticity of the programme is proven by our outstanding Oct/Nov As results (please visit our website – www.Lifeforte.org)

Further benefits:

Instructional help in Critical thinking, BMAT, UKCAT and LNAT exams.

American SAT 1 & 2 classes.

We have established links with Universities and give personalised support for applications into Russell group universities in the UK, Ivy League universities in the US and top universities in Canada.

Fantastic university offers have already been secured by the current set of students on the Early Decision Fast Track programme.

Don't miss out on this golden opportunity.

Lifeforte – Educationists' and Mothers' First choice!

INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (IJSCE)

In line with our commitment to providing the best in education, Lifeforte School introduced the INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS (IJSCE) for students in Grade 9/JSS3 which is written in conjunction with the Cambridge checkpoint exams.

The exams based on the key stage 3 syllabus (which was introduced over 4 years ago) is aimed at broadening the students' knowledge and sharpening their ability to apply what they are taught to practical real life situations in preparation for the key stage 4 syllabus to be taught at Senior High School. Students will be examined in the following subjects:

A. Core

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| 1. Math | 8. Christian Religious Studies |
| 2. English | 9. History |
| 3. Physics | 10. Literature |
| 4. Chemistry | 11. ICT |
| 5. Biology | 12. Technology |
| 6. French | 13. Igbo/Yoruba |
| 7. Geography | 14. Citizenship and Leadership Studies |

B. Options

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| 1. Music | 4. Business Studies |
| 2. Art | 5. Drama |
| 3. Physical and Health Education | 6. Design |

Moreover, in a world that is so highly competitive, alongside the good recommendation, the JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL CERTIFICATE will help to showcase and give our children the extra competitive edge they need for admission into top universities.

The best student overall with an A* in at least 10 core subjects (Math, English and Sciences inclusive) and 3 A's will be given a scholarship of 50% OFF TUITION for the entire duration of their senior high school tenure. The runner up with an A* in at least 9 core subjects (Math, English and Sciences inclusive) and 3 A's will be given a scholarship of 25% OFF TUITION for the entire duration of their senior high school tenure.

This is to also remind parents that since inception, Lifeforte educational system strives to give our students intellectual breadth to cope with National and International demands, scope and expectations. We operate an inclusive system which combines the Nigerian curriculum and related examination (WASSCE by WAEC) with the foreign curriculum and related examinations (CAMBRIDGE, EDEXCEL) such that the Nigerian curriculum is expanded into a larger one which incorporates an international curriculum. We still offer a dual curricula and parents may opt for the WAEC syllabus in Grade 10 if they so desire.

The IJSCE examinations will commence on the 9th of June 2014 and will be concluded on the 19th June, 2014.

MENTORING DEPARTMENT

Recognizing early preparation to be a key ingredient for excellent success, the mentoring team has prepared a structured format for students in grades 7, 8, 10 and 11 that enables them to read systematically (study time-table) and cover sufficient number of pages (or topics) during each reading session. In addition to helping students prepare for the promotion examinations in good time, it assists mentors and teachers to monitor how much ground is being covered by a student and determine if more reading time is required to ensure completion of the syllabus before the revision week. We would like our parents to know that this schedule of topics (for the 2013/2014 session) has been affixed to their reading jotters and hope it can be useful as they do some light reading over the short holiday. We appreciate your support always.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

MORNING ASSEMBLY

This half term we continued to uphold our tradition of offering students a rigorous and balanced educational curriculum to enrich their lives. Our students continue to be instructed that 21st century education encompasses collaborative, communicative and critical thinking skills. Thus, the first half term provided a series of exciting activities including Children's Day Celebration, Movie Night, 'What Do You Know', Science, French, Yoruba and Igbo Quiz competitions, Get Your Grammar Right, Vocabulary development, News Presentation (in English and Yoruba), Club Meetings, Public Speaking/Social Graces and Etiquette classes. Students are encouraged to wear their manners at all times as they have a positive impact all around and make people react favourably to them.

READ TO BE INFORMED

In our determined effort to promote reading culture in the students, the project "Read a book over the mid-term continues. The immense benefits of this project include enlightened minds, increased mental ability to process information, potential to add value to other people's lives and improved vocabulary and power of expression. Parents are enjoined to support this initiative by ensuring that their child/ward

obtains and reads at least one of the titles recommended for their grade during the midterm break.

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We deeply appreciate parents who have paid their children's fees and other bills promptly. All outstanding bills should be paid on or before 14th June, 2014 to ensure a seamless issuance of clearance from the Bursary department.

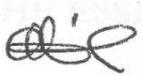
GENERAL

Parents/guardians should please ensure that their children/wards return to school with ALL notebooks from previous years in addition to the current session's notebooks. This is essential for excellent success in the promotion examination.

We encourage parents to watch over the spiritual lives of the children while at home. Television, usage of the internet and literature read should be adequately monitored to ensure appropriateness. They should also be encouraged to continue in constant fellowship with God in daily prayer and Bible reading.

May God bless us all.

Love from us all – Lifeforte family



Mrs. Grace Aina
Principal

PROJECT 'READ A BOOK OVER THE MID TERM'

Grade 7

Tom Sawyer	Mark Twain
The Incorruptible Judge	Olu Olagoke
The 39 Steps	John Bunyan
Around The World in 80 Eighty days	Jules Verne

Students are strongly encouraged to choose and read **AT LEAST 1** book out of the titles recommended for their grade. They will be expected to give a synopsis of the book on resumption.

PROJECT READ A BOOK OVER THE MID TERM

Grade 8

Ivanhoe	Sir Walter Scott
Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson
Jero Plays and Jero's Metamorphosis	Wole Soyinka
Purple Hibiscus	Chimamanda Adichie

Students are strongly encouraged to choose and read **AT LEAST 1** book out of the titles recommended for their grade. They will be expected to give a synopsis of the book on resumption.

PROJECT READ A BOOK OVER THE MID TERM

Grade 10

So Long A letter	Mariama Ba
A Play of Giants	Wole Soyinka
To Kill A Mockingbird	Harper Lee
Half of a Yellow Sun	Chimamanda Adichie
David Copperfield	Charles Dickens

Students are strongly encouraged to choose and read **AT LEAST 1** book out of the titles recommended for their grade. They will be expected to give a synopsis of the book on resumption.

PROJECT READ A BOOK OVER THE MID TERM

Grade 11

The Great Gatsby	Scott Fitzgerald
Sizwe Bansi is Dead	Athol Fugard
Things Fall Apart	Chinua Achebe
Uncle Tom's Cabin	Harriet Beecher Stowe
The Hadassah Covenant: A Queen's Legacy	Tommey Tenney and Mark Andrew Olsen

Students are strongly encouraged to choose and read **AT LEAST 1** book out of the titles recommended for their grade. They will be expected to give a synopsis of the book on resumption.