

13th February, 2010

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Dear Sir/Madam,

The mid-term break for the Bloom term begins today and we thank God for a wonderful start in this Year of New Dominion. We are sending you the progress report of your child/ward. Students' scores were based on overall assessment from class exercises, test, assignments and projects done thus far. You are enjoined to review their work and discuss their progress with them during the short break.

IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT! IMPORTANT!

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTIFY PARENTS/GUARDIANS THAT CONTRAVENING OF SCHOOL RULES AS STATED IN OUR STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS ATTRACTS THE METING OUT OF DISCIPLINE TO ERRING STUDENTS. WE ENJOIN PARENTS/GUARDIANS TO BE EXTRA VIGILANT. WE SOLICIT THE INPUT OF PARENTS /GUARDIANS IN HELPING US RAISE THESE CHILDREN AS LAW ABIDING CONFORMISTS. THEREFORE PARENTS/GUARDIANS SHOULD PREVENT THEIR CHILDREN/WARDS FROM BREAKING SCHOOL RULES AND BRINGING CONTRABAND ITEMS TO SCHOOL.

MID TERM BREAK AND RESUMPTION

The mid-term break for this term begins today 13th February, and it lasts for one week. Students are expected back in school on Saturday, 20th February, 2010. We appeal to parents/guardians for their usual cooperation in ensuring the punctual return of their children/ wards as this term is particularly short.

ENTRANCE AND TRANSFER EXAMINATIONS

The School's Entrance examination into Grade 7 and Transfer examination into other grades took place on 30th January, 2010 at the Ibadan, Port Harcourt and Abuja centres. There was an overwhelming turnout of parents and students particularly at the Ibadan center. The CEO, Mrs. Sarah Johnson addressed the prospective parents in an interactive session that was both warm and informative. Parents were later given a guided tour of the school facilities and served a sumptuous lunch in the school auditorium. We are indeed thankful to the Lord for fulfilling our dreams as He continues to make Lifeforte a family school having up to two to five siblings in a family passing through the school.

EXTENSION PROGRAMME

As stated in the last newsletter, our intensive coaching programme towards the external examinations for Grades 9, 11, 12 and A-Level students will take place during the Easter break i.e. Monday 29th March – Thursday 15th April, 2010.

This exercise, always of tremendous advantage to the students will run for three weeks at a cost of N90,000.00 per student to cover tuition, feeding and accommodation. Payment should be made by resumption from the mid-term break in respect of those students who may not have done so already to enable such children obtain their Hostel Clearance.

MENTORING DEPARTMENT

The Mentoring Department worked to provide support to challenged students through tutorial sessions in various subjects including Mathematics, English, French, Science, Introductory Technology, Yoruba, Christian Religious Studies (to name a few) while above average students in these subjects have had supervised prep sessions during which they practiced answering questions in the subjects.

Specialized assistance was also available to protégés through one-on-one or small group (two to four students) sessions with teachers to enhance a clearer understanding of subject topics hitherto considered difficult. Subsequent testing through take-home tasks have revealed possible deficiencies teachers are able to correct, promote mastery in the subject and so improve student's self-confidence.

As our students are stimulated to become established in the culture of regular study and practice, we expect they will imbibe the resilience to cope effectively with the rigorous workload in the second half of the term and so attain higher grades at the end of the Bloom term by the grace of God.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Inter-house Sports Competition

The School's Annual Inter-house Athletics Competition took place at the University of Ibadan Sports Complex on the 23rd January, 2010. With parents and students cheering passionately, each event was keenly contested including the Invitation Relay which featured five other schools from within the state. Paul House once again emerged overall winner of the competition, followed by Ruth House while Daniel House emerged the winner of the March Past event. Memorable highlights of the day included the Parent/Staff soccer match in which the Lifeforte Victors (parents team) captained by the Chairman Pastor Olubi Johnson, overwhelmed the determined Lifeforte Conquerors (teachers team) in a 2-0 win and their goal-keeper Mr. Gerry- Ofor emerged the most valuable player.

The keenly contested Mothers' 50m dash was won by Mrs. Omotayo Ojutalayo, followed closely by Mrs. Ibiroke Adeleye while Mrs. Linda Ukabiala came third.

We would like to thank all our parents for their wonderful support, our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer for their constant inspiration and encouragement and our dear children for participating so wholeheartedly to make the event a huge success!

1. Girls Volleyball Competition

The girls volleyball competition turned out to be well participated and exciting as each house put in their best effort to win. After a keen competition, Daniel House emerged winner of the junior girls' category defeating Paul House by a close margin of 8 points to 7.

The senior girls category was decided in a thrilling contest through tough spikes, drop shots and spinning serves displayed by both houses. At the end, Paul House defeated Daniel House by 25 points to 10.

2. Annual School Tour

The School's annual trip to Sao Paolo and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil was a very exciting one. Visiting places of interest during the 10-day period, the group of 49, led by the CEO enjoyed the beaches of Sao Paolo and took time out to visit:

- *the Morumbi and Maracana Stadia in which revered players like Pele, Rai and Kaka had played.
- * the Ibirapuera Park
- * Cathedral da Se
- * Wet n Wild Water Park
- * A miniature train running through the steep Atlantic Rainforest also took the group on a full day tour of Corcovado to view one of the world's best known and best visited monuments, the statue of Christ the Redeemer, standing 710 metres tall located on top of the Corcovado Mountain.
- *Cable car rides also took the group to the sugar loaf as the students enjoyed the breathtaking view over the city.
- *The highlight of the tour was the helicopter rides! The children took turns on a 5 minute ride to catch stunning glimpses of Rio as they watched the city spread out in a magnificent panorama.

3. International Day

We thank our beloved parents for their solid contribution towards making last year's International Day programme a huge success. We continue to solicit your support as our children prepare towards this year's event coming up in the Harvest term.

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We encourage parents to pay all outstanding bills on resumption from the half-term. We pray for divine enabling grace and supply as you invest in our beloved children; God's heritage.

GENERAL

Parents/Guardians of students in Grades 9, 11 and 12 should please ensure that their children/wards return to school with their Grades 7 and 8 or Grades 10 and 11 notes respectively. These are essential to guarantee good success in the Mock and Final examinations.

Finally, we implore parents to monitor what their children read or watch on the television. Please ensure that they do not lose the trend of daily prayer and reading of the word of God.

May God bless you all.

Mrs. Grace Aina
Principal

LIFEFORTE SPORTS BOWL

We'd like to thank God for the overwhelming goodwill and support Lifeforte enjoys with our parents. We're glad that all the projects we have embarked upon in school have been successful, hugely supported by our parents.

For instance:

- * the Lifeforte Scholarship Foundation
- * JBJ Hall
- * Lifeforte Hostel Road Project.

We now have another project THE LIFEFORTE SPORTS BOWL.

After the huge success of the Inter-House Athletics Competition, one of the parents muted his interest and the possible interest of other parents in being involved in the development of our Sports Bowl. We're therefore calling on all of our dearly beloved parents to join force with us and donate in cash and in kind for the implementation of this needed facility we are now planning on starting.

We're trusting that you'll sign up with us as a member of the implementation committee. All parents are welcome to join and interested parents should signify by sending a short e-mail to us at lifeforte@lifeforte.com with Lifeforte Sports Bowl in the subject line.

PLEASE JOIN US IN MAKING THIS DREAM A REALITY.