

4th December, 2009

Dear Parents/Guardians,

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Compliments of the Christmas Season!

On behalf of the CEO, entire Board of Directors, staff and students, we want to wholeheartedly thank God for His mercies and faithfulness in successfully seeing us through the official end of this year and the Genesis Term (First Term) of the 2009/2010 session. We also appreciate you all, dearly beloved parents, for your support and confidence reposed in us.

1. **END OF TERM/RESUMPTION:** Today marks the end of this term which commenced on 5th September, 2009. The Bloom Term (Second Term) begins on Monday, 4th January, 2010. All students are expected to resume on this day.
2. **PROGRESS REPORT:** We have enclosed your child's academic performance. Please check through the report booklet and your child's examination scripts, class notes, tests and assignments. If you desire to discuss your child's progress with us, do feel free to do so on resumption.
3. **EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS:**
 - i. Registration for the WASSCE 2010 is in progress. This will be followed by registration for JAMB 2010. Both registrations cost N30,000.00 (thirty thousand naira) only per candidate.
 - ii. Registration for Federal JSCE will take place early in year 2010 (depending on the dates fixed by the NECO examining body).
 - iii. Enrollment for Cambridge May/June examination usually takes place in January. This includes the Checkpoint, O level and A level examinations. Parents will be informed early in January of the fees for these examinations. Please find below the 2009/2010 examination schedule.

4. EXTERNAL EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

	CLASS	EXAMINATION	PERIOD
i	Grade 12	JAMB	April/May 2010
ii	Sixth Form	Cambridge A level (for qualified students)	May/June 2010
iii	Grades 11 and 12	Cambridge O level (for qualified students)	May/June 2010
iv	Grade 12	WASSCE O level	May/June 2010
v	Grade 9	Cambridge Checkpoint (for qualified students)	May/June 2010
vi	Grade 9	Federal JSCE	May 2010

5. EXTENSION CLASSES

The Grade 9, 11 & 12 and A level students will be staying back in school for intensive coaching during the Easter holidays to effectively prepare them for their forthcoming external examinations. The registration fee of N90, 000.00 (ninety thousand naira) only is to be paid along with the school fees in January.

6. LIFEFORTE SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE SMART & GIFTED

A range of merit based scholarships are awarded in Lifeforte International High School each year for excellence in academics, music, art, public speaking and sports. Consequently, the keenly contested scholarship examination for the Smart and Gifted took place on Saturday 14th November 2009 at the school premises with an overwhelming turn out of students and parents. Followed by a panel interview on the 27th November, scholarship awardees emerged in 4 different categories namely: Academics, Sports, Public Speaking and Special Needs.

7. LIFEFORTE ENTRANCE EXAMS.

This year's Entrance Examination into grade 7 for the 2010/2011 session comes up on Saturday, 30th January, 2010. Entrance forms are available for sale at:

*Lifeforte International High and Junior Schools, Ibadan

*The liaison office, 156 Awolowo Road, Ikoyi, Lagos

*Montessori International School, 58, King Perekule St, GRA Phase 2, Port- Harcourt.

OR

*To fill and submit forms online, please visit lifeforte@lifeforte.com

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8. As part of the events lined up for the end of term, each grade was given the task of making a Powerpoint presentation on an assigned topic choosing their presenters. The students' presentation was highly educative, informative and interesting displaying proficiency and excellent depth of knowledge.

Grade 7: Presented by Toni Akintunde, this broadened everyone's knowledge of our beloved country '**NIGERIA**'. (Quiz question for parents: do you know the meaning of the emblems in our coat-of-arms?).

Grade 8: Presented by Enitoluwafe Owolabi and Anuoluwapo Olotu, this showed off the wonders of scintillating tourist sites in Nigeria '**TOURISM IN NIGERIA**'. (Make Obudu Cattle ranch a must-see sight for you).

Grade 9: Presented by Yebo Sheshi and Esosa Jaiyeola, this enlightened the student body on the latest '**TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS**'. (What is a nanoneedle?).

Grade 10: Presented by Victoria Okorie and Chike Enwezoh, '**HEROES**' motivated us all unto selfless service encouraging us all to look around us and make an impact in the lives of those around us.

Grade 11: Presented by Joshua-Olubi Johnson and Esosa Ogbeide, this sensitized the Lifeforte community to the dangers of '**GLOBAL WARMING**' and encouraged us all, in our own little way, to contribute to the solution by planting a tree.

Grade 12: Presented by Sope Akintunde, Sope Bob-Soile and Deji Awoniyi, this rounded up the presentations with the most current American discourse '**HEALTHCARE REFORMS**'.

9. CAREER TALK

On the 2nd December 2009, by invitation, one of our parents Dr. Kofo Ogunyankin (Associate Professor of Cardiology) from Northwestern University, Chicago gave a talk to the Senior High students on career choices. Dr Ogunyankin wanting to contribute his own quota making an impact on the student body spoke passionately and extensively with great insight.

At the session which was mainly interactive, Dr. Ogunyankin addressed the following issues:

- Is money the basic motivation for a career choice?
- How do my parents and I come to a suitable conclusion on my career choice(s)?
- I'm a science student, why do I need to take a subject in the liberal arts?
- I plan to study Chemical Engineering but I do not like Chemistry – what are my options?

Delving into his wealth of experience and exposure, Dr. Ogunyankin laid to rest the concerns underlying the students' questions as he patiently explained the process involved in making a career choice and the steps leading up to it.

10. INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF GRADES 11, 12 & A LEVEL STUDENTS

- a. It has become mandatory for parents of Grades 11, 12 & A level students to inform the school about their plans for prospective admission of their children into higher institutions/universities in the different parts of the world.

This is with a view to enable the school effectively guide, counsel and give the necessary prerequisites for admission into such higher institutions.
In the light of this, parents are expected to fill the form attached and submit to school on resumption, 4th January 2010.

b. JAMB Registration template

We implore interested parents/guardians to discuss career and Nigerian University choices with their children/wards. The enclosed e-registration form template should be filled and returned on or before 4th January, 2010 along with the information in 9a above.

11. SCHOOL TOUR BRAZIL 2009

Our annual school tour again promises to be exciting and memorable. The group of almost 50, led by the CEO, by the grace of God, is geared to enjoy an educational, fun-filled 10 day visit to Brazil. Notable sights to be visited (amongst others) include:

Morumbi Soccer Stadium –largest private stadium in Brazil.

Government Palace of Sao Paolo

Ibirpuera Park –the city’s largest leisure area.

Statue of Christ the Redeemer.

The Corovado Mountain

Sugarloaf.

The school group will be spending the 10 day period in both Sao Paolo and Rio de Janeiro.

12. PROMPT PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We appreciate parents/guardians who pay promptly. We enjoin all those who have outstanding fees to pay on or before resumption date. We appeal for more consideration for the school Management.

13. GENERAL

We encourage parents/guardians to monitor the children closely. Please censor what they read and watch on television. They need to continue with daily prayers and the reading of the word of God.

On behalf of the Chief Executive Officer and the entire members of staff of Lifeforte International High School, we wish you a prosperous New Year 2010.

God bless you all.

Mrs. Grace Aina
Principal

INFORMATION FORM

Name of child:

Class:

	UNIVERSITY ADMISSION IN VIEW	COUNTRY	EXAM/INTERVIEW DATE (in school/not school)	EXAM REQUIREMENTS (CAMBRIDGE/SAT/WAEC)	SCHOOL RECOMMENDATION REQUIRED/NOT REQUIRED	OTHER REQUIREMENTS (specify)
1						
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