6th December, 2013

### **KEY FACTS TO NOTE:**

December 4 - Orphans Day! Early Decision programme 2015 Extension Classes Entrance Examination 2014 School trip 2013 to Beijing, China! Carol Service and Dinner 2013

### **NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

### **Compliments of the Christmas season!**

We are truly grateful to God for faithfully upholding His covenant of life with us and for skilfully guiding us, by His mercy and grace, to the end of the Genesis term of the 2013/2014 school year. We also thank Him for enabling us to effectively execute all our goals this term and wish to thank you, our dear parents, for your wonderful support and patronage.

#### **END OF TERM/RESUMPTION**

The first term which commenced on September, 7th 2013 ends today 6th December, 2013. The Bloom term (second term) begins on Saturday, January 4th 2014. All students are expected to resume on this day. We strongly encourage our parents to help inculcate in our children, the culture of compliance with rules.

#### **PROGRESS REPORT**

We have enclosed your child/ward's academic performance for the Genesis term. Please check through the report booklets and your child's examination scripts, class notes, tests and assignments. If you wish to discuss your child's progress with us, do feel free to do so during the holiday on 234 – 805 226 4640 or upon resumption.

#### MENTORING PROGRAMME

A unique feature of Lifeforte is our mentoring system which serves to ensure that all students receive the attention, support and guidance needed to equip them to fulfil their best potential. This session, our theme of continued advanced progression (CAP) coined by Mrs Johnson has injected fresh passion into our team of mentors to enable them develop a rapport with new protégés and

improve their understanding and care of existing proteges. We expect this to provide a strong foundation for a harvest of A\*s this session in all our childrens' lives in Jesus Name.

# EARLY DECISION PROGRAMME

Our Early Decision programme, an accelerated A level programme which compresses the two year programme into an eighteen (18) month programme, is now established as an unquestionable winwin path to the most prestigious universities in the UK, USA, Canada and Nigeria. (see appendix A for details)

We enjoin parents of students in Grade 12 to strongly consider the highly unique win-win avenue offered by this programme to students interested in studying key courses such as Medicine, Law, Economics, Engineering, Actuarial Science etc in Ivy League (US) and Russell group (UK) Universities, not to mention the opportunity of direct entry placement into the very best Nigerian and African Universities and the Instructional assistance for Critical Thinking and University applications.

Therefore, qualified students in the current class of grade 12 will be invited in January 2014 to commence their compressed A level programme based on each child's ability. However, these grade 12 students will still graduate with the 2014 graduating class in June next year.

Parents of students invited onto this Early Decision A level programme will receive letters of offer in the course of the holiday from the Executive Director (Studies and Curriculum).

# **EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS**

i. Registration for the WASSCE 2014 is in progress. This will be followed by registration for JAMB (UTME) 2014. UTME Registration costs N10, 000.00 and WASSCE N25, 000.00 per candidate.

ii. Enrolment for Cambridge May/June examination usually takes place in January. This includes the Cambridge Checkpoint, Cambridge O Level and A level examinations. Parents will be informed early in January of the examination fees.

Please find below the 2013/2014 examination schedule:

	GRADE	EXAMINATION	PERIOD
1	Grade 12	JAMB	April 2014
2	Sixth Form	Cambridge A level (for Grade 12 students and	May/June 2014
3	Grades 11 & 12	Cambridge O level (for qualified students in	May/June 2014
4	Grade 12	WASSCE O level	May/June 2014
5	Grade 9	Cambridge Checkpoint	May/June 2014
6	Grade 9	IJSCE	

### **EXTERNAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULE**

Parents of Grade 12 students are required to fill the form attached to signify their intention to have their children write the 2014 JAMB UTME examinations. Forms should be returned to the school on resumption to facilitate registration before the deadline.

## **EXTENSION CLASSES**

The present Grade 9, 11, 12 and Early Decision A level students will remain in school for intensive coaching during the Easter holidays to effectively prepare them for their forthcoming external examinations. The registration fee is N100,000.00 and should be paid along with the school fees in January, 2014.

# ENTRANCE AND TRANSFER EXAMINATIONS

The 2014 entrance examinations into Lifeforte International High School (Grade 7/JSS1, Grade10/SS1 and 'A' level) for the 2014/2015 academic session will be taking place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 at 12:00 noon in four (4) centres across the country namely:

1. Ibadan – Lifeforte International High School, #1, Lifeforte Boulevard, Awotan GRA, Ibadan.

- 2. Lagos Civic Centre (Grand Banquet Hall), Ozumba Mbadiwe Avenue, Victoria Island.
- 3. Abuja The Transcorp Hilton (Nassarawa Hall).

4. Port-Harcourt – Montessori International School, 58, King Perekule Street, GRA, Phase 2, Port-Harcourt.

## **ORPHANS DAY** – The essence of living is giving and giving is living.

Last year, December 4<sup>th</sup> was declared as **the Orphans Day** by our very own Mummy CEO, Mrs Sarah Johnson. This day is dedicated to celebrate all orphans as directed by the Word of God in Isaiah 1:17 -19. In Lifeforte, orphans are specially recognised and appreciated as Gods own Constituency.

Since this year's Carol Service coincided with Orphans Day, we decided to dedicate it to the Orphans of the Living Mercy Voice Foundation, an orphanage in Ibadan, giving it the theme, 'Celebrating Christmas with the Ones We Love'. It was truly an epic event as the students were extremely delighted to dance, sing and rejoice along with the children. Truly, 'the essence of Living Is Giving and Giving Is Living'.

### CAROL SERVICE AND CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas carol service was held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December; a day dedicated in Lifeforte as a Day for Orphans. The beautiful children of the Living Mercy Voice Orphanage were special guests at the event. There was a presentation by each grade which stirred joyous memories of Christmas past and an expectation for this year's Christmas celebrations. Well loved carols such as Silent Night (Pre-high Grade), Ding Dong Merrily on High (Grade 7) and Deck the Halls (Grade 8) set the tone for the afternoon's presentation. This was followed by a harmonious presentation by members of our instrumental ensemble and flowed into the Yoruba traditional Keresimesi (Grade 9), an acapella innovation of the First Noel (Grade 10) and A King is Born by Grade 11 students. Reinforcing their seniority the Grade 12 students introduced a different flavor with a Drama Sketch titled 'One Legend, Many Seasons' depicting in graphic terms the truth of the quote – Living is

Giving. The Advanced Level students however stole the show with a rousing rendition of – Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas stirring the audience and attracting a deserved standing ovation.

In reminding the audience to care for orphans, there was a command performance by a duet of the famous song by the late pop legend Michael Jackson – Heal the World. The grand finale was a presentation of the songs – Joy to the World and Keresimesi by the CEO and Members of staff of the school.

The dinner was a fitting end to what had been a day of melody and music. Hosted by a quartet, the semi formal occasion took the form of a variety of presentations – songs by a group called M.O.N and D.A.D. The winners of Lifeforte Got Talent Season Two (The Roommates) lived up to expectations with a breathtaking choreography display. The food was sumptuous living up to every bit of expectation and it was with merry hearts that students took to the dance floor. It was a really nice evening that ushered in the beginning of the Christmas holiday!

# SCHOOL TOUR

Our School trip is here again! The excited contingent to the renowned and beautiful city of Beijing in China will be led by Mummy CEO. We trust the Lord that all the students and officials will have a thrilling and wonderful holiday and thank the Lord in advance for safety as they travel to China and return safely in Jesus Name. We receive this as our best school trip ever!

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

## GOOGLE TEAM SECONDARY SCHOOL OUTREACH ON INTERNET SAFETY

On 5<sup>th</sup> December 2013, the Google team from the University of Ibadan organised an interactive session for our students on internet safety. This invaluable learning experience shed light on key issues such as; tips on how to safeguard your online reputation, effective online shopping and keeping personal information safe. It also included a lecture on computer viruses, how to protect your digital devices and a short expose on skills to test the authenticity of internet adverts and emails. At the end, students acquired the know-how to enforce safety whilst on the internet. It was a truly enlightening. Thank you Google ambassadors.

### SOCCER

### STUDENTS EDGE OUT TEACHERS IN THE CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE CUP

Following their loss last year to students in the annual Teachers vs Students Football match, our teachers were galvanised and determined to inspire an upset taking out time to train amidst their extremely busy schedules.

Brimming with confidence, teachers began the match well and gave as good as they got in an exciting display of soccer that showed their experience versus the speed of the students. The score line opened in favour of the students when centre forward Olumide Onakoya smashed a drilled shot into the bottom right corner of the post. The margin later doubled as Princeton Donbraye nodded an inviting cross in the net. Abiola Akano's 45 metre shot left the keeper helpless for a third. However, teachers showed no sign of relenting and eventually salvaged some pride as Mr Dele Awoniyi scored

a penalty awarded after continuous pressure two minutes into stoppage time. At the final whistle, students emerged victorious again with a 3 - 1 scoreline.

### JUNIOR BOYS SOCCER TOURNAMENT

After the rigour of exams it was the time for fun and the junior boys engaged themselves in a thrilling Soccer Tournament. The Nike XI led by Isaac Shekarau emerged winners over the Saints XI captained by Dabira Ogunwomoju by a 5-2 scoreline. Both teams had previously won their semi-finals over the All Stars (5 -1) and Spurs (4-2) respectively.

### JUNIOR BOYS BASKETBALL CHALLENGE.

In keeping with the school's culture of developing talent early, the Junior Boy's basketball team decided to challenge their senior counterparts having trained tirelessly while their seniors wrote exams.

The highly anticipated match saw the determined junior boys starting well with good twists, blocks and fine shooting. However, the Seniors proved their quality by defeating them 65 points to 18.

Pre-Inter-House Relay Competition.

In preparation for next term's annual inter house track and field event, the sports coach organised a Pre-Inter House Relay Competition. The relay races were exciting and keenly contested giving an indication of just how exciting next terms Inter -house Athletics competition will be.

Ruth House won all laurels available!

### **PROMPT PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS**

We appreciate parents/guardians who pay promptly. We enjoin all who have outstanding fees to pay on or before resumption date.

#### GENERAL

We encourage parents/guardians to monitor the children closely. Please censor what they read, watch and do on the internet as they continue with daily prayers and the reading of the word of God.

On behalf of the Chairman of the Board, Pastor Olubi Johnson, our CEO, members of the Board of Directors and teaching Staff of Lifeforte International High School, we commend you unto the hands of the Almighty who knows your name and will establish His good pleasure upon you and your entire family this season and into the new year in Jesus Name.

We wish you a very merry Christmas and a prosperous 2014. God bless you all.

Mrs. Grace Aina

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