



## Bloom End Newsletter

31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017

### Key Facts to Note:

- ❖ **Appreciation**
- ❖ **Extension Classes**
- ❖ **External Examinations**
- ❖ **International Day**
- ❖ **Liaison Office – Notice of Change**

### NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

We give all the glory to God for His faithfulness in seeing us through the Bloom Term of this session. On behalf of the Chairman, CEO and the entire members of staff of the school, we wish our dear parents a wonderful Easter and a lovely holiday with the children.

### RESUMPTION

We have come to the end of the Bloom (2<sup>nd</sup>) term which commenced on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2017. The Harvest term begins on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2017. 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.

### REPORT

Your child/ward's academic report for the term is enclosed. We strongly encourage parents to review the reports carefully with their children. Please feel free to take advantage of the school's Open Door policy to discuss your child's work or any other aspect about their stay in school with the designated member of staff on 08052264640 or send an email to [principal@lifeforte.com](mailto:principal@lifeforte.com). We take a genuine interest in the success of our students and would be willing to explore personalised learning strategies on behalf of individual students where necessary.

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

### APPRECIATION

The Chairman and the CEO, Pastor Olubi and Dr Sarah Johnson would like to express their profound appreciation to all our parents for their presence, messages, presents and support shown before and during the funeral ceremonies of our Late father – Pa Joshua Babatunde Johnson (of blessed memory). We pray that the mercy, goodness and grace of God will continue to surround you and all your loved ones in Jesus name. Amen.

## **EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS AND EXTENSION CLASSES**

As earlier advised, extension classes will begin immediately for Grades 9, 11, 12 & A level students and detailed preparations for forthcoming external examinations will commence in earnest.

We trust the Lord for guidance, divine ability, wisdom and inspiration, favour, strength and excellence of spirit for our students as they prepare for their examinations. We encourage parents of students in the classes involved to work with us to ensure that the students get the most out of this time. Parents should please note that;

- **NO EXEATS will be issued for the purposes of the Easter holidays. Students will be expected to remain in school for this period.**
- **Food items, money, mobile phones, electrical appliances, technological or digital devices of any sort are not permitted.**

We are working towards and believe God together with you for outstanding results of A\*s and A1s in Jesus name, Amen.

The external examinations to be written are;

### **Grade 9**

- i. Cambridge Checkpoint April 2017
- ii. IJSCE May/June 2017

### **Grade 11**

- i. Cambridge O/L May/June 2017 (as a trial run only for students who met the set requirements)

### **Grade 12 & Advanced level**

- i. Cambridge O/A level respectively May/June 2017
- ii. WAEC March/May 2017

## **COMMENDATION CHART**

We want to inform all our parents that character values are now part of criteria to be met for inclusion on the commendation chart. This is in keeping with time honored norms of being found worthy 'in character and learning'.

## **LIAISON OFFICE ADDRESS – NOTICE OF CHANGE**

We have moved our liaison office from 156, Awolowo Road, Ikoyi to 64b Raymond Njoku Street, off Awolowo Road, Ikoyi. Raymond Njoku Street runs parallel to and is directly behind Awolowo Road. Our new office is about 3 minutes drive away from our former office. Please call Mrs Seun Animashawun on 07055245279 if you have any questions.

## **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

### **Morning Assembly Programmes**

In recognition of the fact that success at exams, higher education and the modern world of work requires students to demonstrate certain intellectual attitudes and attributes, our morning programme emphasized learner attributes of being engaged, confident, creative, reflective and responsible. Presentations by members of the Early Decision(ED) class of 2017 -Grace Osadolor (Head Girl), Rumi Aneke, Iyanu Adewunmi, Imawaji Ikuru and Ife Babasina were designed to stimulate the audience to acquire these attributes as randomly selected students attempted to answer simple impromptu questions giving the audience an opportunity to assess them using the parameters listed above.

“Get your grammar right” was next with focus on Letter Writing aiming to improve mechanical accuracy, content and expression. There was also a session on improving students’ understanding of comprehension passages.

Spelling bees were also conducted to assess and improve our vocabulary. In addition, highly successful senior students made presentations to the student body in the Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences to inspire and guide them to maintain the culture of achieving excellence in their end of term examinations.

### Movie (Lifted Up)

This drama explains the struggles and passion of 13 year old Henry (Uriah Shelton), a middle school student living in a small town in Alabama with his parents William (Dash Mihok) and Lisa (Nicki Aycox). With his father at the war front and his mother an unemployed former drug addict, Henry struggles to deal with bullies and eventually takes his place in the Baptist Church choir where he meets Pastor John (Reuben Studdard) who encourages him to contest in Alabama Teen Star Quest (a singing competition) in Birmingham. Henry eventually wins the competition, helps his mum get over drug addiction and ultimately brings the family back together. The movie emphasised perseverance through our relationship with God.

### Swimming Gala

With exams over, it was time to have fun and so began our annual swimming gala on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. It was both exciting and refreshing with students competing across various events : the front crawl, breaststroke, butterfly, backstroke, mixed relay (comprising both sexes) and water polo which demanded a combination of skills.

The mixed relay race turned out to be the highlight of the gala; each house strategic in the use of their best swimmers and urging them on with zeal. Water polo (boys) was also an intense battle for supremacy; Daniel house emerged first defeating Paul house by 9 goals to 4.

At the end of the gala, Daniel house edged out Sarah by six gold medals to five while Paul and Ruth followed with 4 gold medals and 3 respectively. (Please see appendix for details)

### INTERNATIONAL DAY

In keeping with our tradition of celebrating global citizenship, the 2017 International Day afforded us the privilege of learning about the people and culture of **Cuba** (Grade 7), **Argentina** (Grade 8), **Kenya** (Grade 9), **Cambodia** (Grade 10), **Sweden** (Grade 11) and **Ukraine** (Grade 12). The much anticipated competition began with a quiz competition (in the morning) in which representatives of each grade had to demonstrate breadth of knowledge of their countries; including rendering respective national anthems! Ukraine blazed ahead with a lead after this session. The main event began in the evening and was graced by our darling Mummy CEO and a panel of expert judges. It was a day of keen contests; thrilling dances, authoritative presentations, colourful fashion displays and rich artistic depictions that also included yummy food! Our children were gracious amidst it all applauding the effort of other grades when their performance eclipsed the one put up by their colleagues.

Amongst other items, Grade 7 (Cuba) displayed the cuban cigar, cuban sandwich and a very impressive dance while Argentina (Grade 8) displayed the Argentine brownies (pastries), national soccer jerseys with a map of the Torne Park. Grade 9 (Kenya's) had also a very good dance, unique pastries like Chapatti, Mardazi (doughnuts) and colourful Masai costume while Grade 10 (Cambodia) displayed the Randul (national Flower) and golden religious artefacts among others. Grade 11 (Sweden) displayed unique Swedish cuisine such as shredded beef, sweet potatoes, fish as well as meat balls. On display for grade 12 (Ukraine) were mouth-watering pastry such as Kovbasa (sausage), Varenky (Pie), Borshch (Stew), impressive paintings and construction among others.

Kenya emerged overall winners! Ukraine and Cambodia were second and third respectively while Sweden, Argentina and Cuba finished fourth, fifth and sixth. The next item on the menu; food and more food! Thank you everyone for your hard work, sacrifice and creativity.

### PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We encourage parents to pay on or before resumption for the Harvest term to ensure prompt and 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.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS**

Once again we would like to encourage all parents and guardians to monitor their children/wards closely. Please take an interest in; what they choose to read, TV programmes/films they watch and their internet and social media activity. It has been observed that themes promoting violence, immorality, ungodly values/beliefs and unwholesome language are being presented as harmless fun in the guise of children and teen programmes. Our children are destined and chosen for greatness. Let us play our part in safeguarding the great destiny God has for our precious seed. Please monitor your child/children's spiritual growth while at home, you are enjoined to encourage them in daily prayer, daily Bible reading and communion with the Holy Spirit.

God bless you all. Once again we wish you a wonderful Easter Holiday and may the true and full meaning of Easter be made known to us in the outworking of Christ's resurrection power in our spirits, souls, bodies and circumstances in Jesus name. Amen.

*'We pray that God will grant you mercy and grace to see the fruit of your labour and good expectation concerning your precious child/children/ward.*

*While your children are in our care and when you visit our school, may you all find Lifeforte a 'second' home, may those you love be near you in your thoughts and dreams.*

*As we get to know you and your child better, our prayer is that your child/children will prosper and flourish. May every call you make and every message you receive add to your joy.*

*When you leave, may your journey be safe.*

*We are all travellers.*

*From 'birth till death', we travel between eternities.*

*May your days be pleasant, profitable for society, helpful for those you meet and a joy to those who know and love you best in Jesus name.'*

Love from us all – Lifeforte family.

Mrs Grace Aina

**Principal**