



Mid Bloom Newsletter

9th February, 2018

KEY FACTS TO NOTE

Extension Classes 2018

Inter-House Athletics Competition 2018

Dubai and Singapore 2017

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Dear Sir/Madam,

With deep gratitude to our merciful God, we have come to the end of the first half of the Bloom Term which began in January. On behalf of our Chairman, CEO and Board of Directors, we would like to wish all our dear and esteemed parents a wonderful New Year; we pray that 2018 will be for you and your families a victorious, fulfilling and joyful year of upgrades in Jesus Name, amen. We have prepared a midterm progress report of your child/wards' work. The scores recorded in this report are based on overall assessment from class exercises, tests, assignments and projects done so far. We strongly encourage you to review and discuss your child/wards' work with them during the mid-term break.

RESUMPTION

This is a one week break; students are expected back in school on Saturday, 17th February, 2018. We appeal to parents/guardians for their usual cooperation in ensuring the punctual return of their children/wards. This term being relatively short, we intend to make the most use of the days available hence classes will resume on Monday 19th February, 2018.

EXTENSION PROGRAMME

The extension programme for students in Grades 9, 11, 12 and A levels begins on Friday 30th March, 2018. The aim of this programme is to give teachers adequate time to prepare students for their imminent external 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 or other holidays. Students are 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.

ENTRANCE AND TRANSFER EXAMINATIONS 2018

The Lifeforte High School entrance and transfer examinations towards the 2018/2019 academic session was held on the 27th of January, 2018 at six centres across the country – Abuja, Lagos, Port Harcourt, Warri, Ibadan and Enugu. We are thankful to God without whose help we could not have achieved such great success and to all our highly esteemed parents for the goodwill, good name and favour enjoyed by the school all over the country and beyond Nigeria!

We graciously welcome all our new parents to partner with us as a family to raise this next generation as a glorious seed destined for greatness.

MENTORING DEPARTMENT

We conceive the Bloom term as a season of consolidation and growth. We have sought to promote effective study sessions through the use of practice questions that give protégés feedback as to how much assimilation is taking place. This is designed to encourage greater focus during prep. We look forward to consolidating this focus by ensuring all students prepare better for prep periods – following a specific plan (time-table), having relevant materials such as pens, jotters (as much as possible) nearby to minimise distractions. We hope to support our protégés next half term by a close review of study techniques which will equip them with improved study skills and better grades by the end of term.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SCHOOL TOUR TO DUBAI AND SINGAPORE 2018

Our 2017 school tour was a destination ‘two for the price of one’ visit to Dubai and Singapore. Led by our darling Mummy CEO, our group lodged at the luxurious 5-star Grand Atlantis, The Palm, Dubai Hotel and Resorts whose opulence and exquisite décor was simply breathtaking!

Our experience of Dubai took us to the fun-filled and exciting water rides of Atlantis Resort, on entertaining desert Safari with outdoor Bedouin style dinner, dhow cruise with contemporary style dinner at the world famous Alwan restaurant located in the 7 star Burj Al Arab Hotel and the awesome Ski Dubai resort that is a powerful statement of man’s ability to manipulate his environment for the good of all. A trip to the wealthier Abu Dhabi province afforded us several scenic stops including our memorable photo shoot op at the grand Emirates Palace Hotel.

On arrival in Singapore, our group lodged at our prestigious Four Seasons Hotel, located off the renowned Orchard Road 10 days to Christmas. The lights and colours simply dazzled! We had a fantastic time out at Universal Studios with its numerous shows and attractions notably Battlestar Galactica and Transformers, enjoyed 5D movie ‘Strek’, a trip to Singapore ‘flyer’, Merlion statue and unforgettable shopping at Orchard roads malls! We had an absolutely great time that left us fulfilled and blessed. We say a big thank you to God, our ever supportive parents and our wonderful Mummy CEO! 2018, here we come!

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS COMPETITION

The annual Lifeforte International High School Inter House Sports Competition was held on 20th January 2018 at the school’s ultra-modern Sports Complex. The colourful event, which had in attendance parents, students, members of staff and guests athletes from invited schools, was fun and highly stimulating. Events featured a march past, riveting callisthenic display, a novelty match (involving teachers and our dads), a 50m race by courageous mums and various sprint events. Field events and longer distance races had been settled during heats prior to D-day.

At the end of several keen contests on the track, amidst cheers and standing ovations, Ruth House clinched overall first place with 20 gold, 8 silver and 10 bronze medals! In second position was Daniel House (15 gold, 14 silver and 16 bronze), Paul and Sarah coming third and fourth with 7 gold, 12 silver and 9 bronze medals and 6 gold, 14 silver and 13 bronze medals respectively! Up Ruth House, our worthy 2018 champions!

MORNING ASSEMBLY

This half term, our tradition of enriching students’ lives with stimulating out-of-class learning continued with diverse activities designed to strengthen their collaborative, communicative, thinking and speaking skills.

GET YOUR GRAMMAR RIGHT (NOUNS AND VERBS) highlighted the forms, functions and manner of use of these parts of speech using bright interactive slides. A subsequent edition of the GET YOUR GRAMMAR RIGHT focused on the appropriate use of punctuation marks in writing.

MATHSPEDIA emphasised learning Mathematics quickly and accurately. Contestants (and our entire assembly) were tasked with providing exact answers to twenty mental sums in a blitz format (seconds). It had everyone on the edge of their seats!

Spelling Bee contest stretched the vocabulary range of our students while our **discussion panel** examined the 21st century concern: ‘Can humans be replaced by robots?’ Nnabugwu Ikemdinachi and Adesanmi Bolugbe argued for the motion while Menakaya Ebube and Ofovwe Basia were vocal in their position against. Our take-away from this programme is that while robots have come to play a significantly useful role in our lives and industries, they cannot completely replace humans at this point in time.

A novel **CAREER TALK** on the last day of the half-term featured 4 A level students addressing the assembly about their chosen career paths. **Nike Adewunmi** desires to be a medical doctor, **Enosabor Omotuemhen** is an aspiring Brand Manager, **Rumi Aneke** is settled on her path to become an electrical Engineer while **Kenke Bademosi** is passionate about a career in law. The importance of personal interest and fulfilment, recognizing areas of strength, disciplined study habit, an inquisitive mind and resilience was highlighted in addition to qualities peculiar to each career path.

UPCOMING INTERNATIONAL DAY

This is Lifeforte's annual armchair trip around 6 countries of the world (in just one day)! Today's educational emphasis on exposure and global citizenship makes this event an attractive and valuable experience for our students. They embark on, in the form of a friendly competition, an educational tour of the culture, history, values, facts and symbols of the world they live in. This year we will be exploring **Germany, Malaysia, Scotland, Turkey, Venezuela** and **Zimbabwe**.

PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING BILLS

We encourage parents to pay all outstanding bills on or before resumption from the half-term (17th February, 2018)

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, 8, 10 and 11 notes respectively in addition to their current notebooks). These are essential for excellent success in the Mock and Final examinations.

Finally, we implore parents to monitor what their children/wards read or watch on television or the internet. Please ensure the continuous trend of daily prayer and reading of the Word of God. Take an interest in what they choose to read, TV programmes/films they watch and their 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.

May God bless you all.

Love from us all – Lifeforte family



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