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# Mid Harvest Newsletter

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# **KEY FACTS TO NOTE**

Valedictory Service 2017
External Examinations 2017
Early Decision Accelerated A Level Programme
International Junior School Certificate Examination 2017
British Council Recognition and Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards

Dear Sir/Madam,

# **NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

We have come to the end of the first half of the final term of the 2016/17 session, the Harvest Term. On behalf of our Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, Board of Directors, Principal and Staff we give all glory and praise to God for His mercies and faithfulness! The midterm break begins on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 and will end on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2017. We encourage all parents to help ensure that this date of return is strictly adhered to.

#### **VALEDICTORY SERVICE**

The Valedictory service for the outgoing set of 2017 will come up on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2017. All parents, family members and alumni are cordially invited to be a part of this special day as we celebrate the class of 2017 and their families. Please find details of the ceremony below:

Time: 11:00am

Venue: JBJ Auditorium, Lifeforte International High School, Awotan GRA, Ibadan.

Dress Code: Formal

All parents, in particular, parents of graduating students are encouraged to attend punctually as we will abide by the time frame allotted for the ceremony.

#### **EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS**

The Cambridge Checkpoint and the WASSC examination 2017 were successfully concluded in May. The Cambridge 'O' and 'A' level papers are still in progress till June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017. We appreciate our Triune God for abundant grace and favour that overshadowed our students' preparation and continue to trust Him to perfect the good work He has begun in them, crowning them with a bountiful harvest of A\*, A1 and 6.0 grades in Jesus name.

# EARLY DECISION PROGRAMME (FAST TRACK ADVANCED LEVEL PROGRAMME)

This is a win-win entry path to the most prestigious universities in the UK, USA, Canada and Nigeria. The Lifeforte International Early Decision (ED) programme is an accelerated Advanced level programme which compresses the standard 2 year course into an 18 month course. The rigour and exacting nature of the course provides adequate preparation for the demands of undergraduate studies. Admission offers into top universities have already been secured by the current set of students in the Early Decision 2017 class. We also provide support with specialized examinations such as SAT's (1&2), BMAT, UKCAT AND LNAT.

# **INTERNATIONAL JUNIOR SECONDARY CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (IJSCE) 2017**

The IJSCE examinations will commence on June 5<sup>th</sup> 2017 and will be concluded by the end of the third week of June 2017. It is an examination based on the broad-based Key Stage 3 syllabus that assesses students in 14 core and 2 optional subjects. The best student overall with an A\*in at least 10 core subjects (Maths, English and Science inclusive) and 3 A's will be offered a 50% scholarship (on tuition) for the entire duration of their senior high school tenure. Lifeforte operates a combined educational system – the Nigerian curriculum and the Cambridge International Examination curriculum. Under this dual curricula system, parents may opt for either of the two streams from Grade 10.

#### **GOD HAS DONE IT AGAIN!**

We keep going higher as it keeps getting better and better. To the glory of God, Lifeforte International School has once again demonstrated that African initiatives can be great and greater still. On the 19<sup>th</sup> of May, 2017 Lifeforte High School students in recognition of their outstanding performance in the Cambridge November 2015 examinations were given awards in the *Top In the World* (Christian Religious Studies) and *Top In Nigeria* (Economics, Geography, Literature- in-English & Sociology) 'O' level categories while a member of the Early Decision class of 2016 won the award In the A level category *Top in Nigeria* for achieving the Best Result Across Four Cambridge International AS Levels (made up of Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology).

The awards, the first of its kind by the British Council in partnership with Cambridge International Examinations tagged *British Council Recognition and Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards* were given at a grand ceremony held at the Eko Hotel and Suites in Lagos. We are deeply humbled by the favour of God upon us as a family in Lifeforte and lift up our hearts in worship to return all glory and honour to our Faithful and Excellent God for all He has done and continues to do in our midst. We continue to rest on His mercy to enable us, with greater diligence, to triumph always as He lifts us higher to His expected end! We are very thankful to all our wonderful parents for your trust and unalloyed support. We pray that the Lord will grant you a full reward on your investment in the lives of our precious children. May the glory of our latter house be greater than the former in the lives of our seed in Jesus Name amen.

#### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

# MORNING ASSEMBLY

This half term, our tradition of providing our students with stimulating out-of-class learning continued with exciting activities designed to strengthen their collaborative, communicative and critical thinking skills.

Senior and Junior spelling bees, Science, Math, Arts and 'What do you know' quizzes and our 'Get Your Grammar Right' class enhanced learning promoting healthy competition and good composure as well. The exciting Word Challenge contest between senior boys and girls, which involved spellings, word definitions and unscrambling words was a major highlight. The boys defeated the girls for a second time to affirm their mastery and skill. Our girls are determined to change this and are hopeful that their next match will see them turning the tables on the boys!

'Mind your manners' is the biblical injunction and we remain committed to encouraging good manners and awareness of social graces in our students through regular etiquette lessons. This term, exciting drama skits portrayed audience and dining graces that should be emulated.

Our weekly Newscast remained very vibrant as current affairs, global issues, special presentations and technological tit-bits were featured to an appreciative school audience.

#### **SPORTS**

Sporting highlights this half-term include the highly contested Handball championship with Daniel House emerging the unlikely 'double' winners (both male and female categories). Double congratulations! Daniel team line-up as follows: <u>Male</u> - Nifemi Olotu, Israel Akubueze, Sekunmi Osunsanya, Enrico Pamatigan, Joshua-David Olopade, Victor Ifeanyi and Toni Ogunkoya. <u>Female</u> -Esosa Osunde, Pelumi Bankole, Charissa Bassey, Kamsi Osadebe, Sophia Oluwadare, Angel Ezenwoko, Busola Akinola, and Fikun Owolabi). Most Valuable Player award of the tournament went to Joshua-David Olopade.

### **CAREER TALK (LAW AND MEDICINE)**

Our career talk this term took a unique town hall format in which senior students who identified themselves as potential lawyers and doctors constituted two teams and fielded questions from a moderator. The event was impromptu and it's aim was to assess the level of knowledge and preparedness of each team for their future career. This helped educate junior students about the selected career paths and emphasised the importance of curiosity, early preparation and exploring opportunities that come our way. The audience judged the lawyers as the better prepared professionals.

#### **LEARNING IS FUN**

This programme, geared at encouraging the student body to develop a more positive attitude towards learning, was organised by the graduating A-level class of 2017. Using persuasive arguments, vivid examples and PowerPoint slides, the speakers focussed, in their first episode, on the challenge of time management. Students were provided with tips and practical ways of disciplining themselves to make better use of pockets of available time. The second episode centred on effective and fun methods to study and learn. The student body was reminded on the use of flashcards, mind maps, outlines and charts with examples. Emphasis was placed on planning for study periods well ahead and on improving ways of using the various tools to make learning fun and exciting.

# **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

We deeply appreciate parents who have paid their children's' fees and other bills promptly. All outstanding bills should be paid on or before 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017 to ensure ready issuance of clearance from the Bursary department.

#### GENERAL

Parents/guardians should please ensure that their children/wards return to school with ALL notebooks from previous years in addition to the current session's notebooks. This is essential for excellent success in the promotion examination.

We encourage parents to watch over the spiritual lives of the children while at home. Television, usage of the internet and literature read should be adequately monitored to ensure appropriateness. They should also be encouraged to continue in constant fellowship with God in daily prayer and bible reading.

Love form us all – Lifeforte Family.

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