

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that all is well.

Firstly, we are proud to announce the membership of James Hope College to the Microsoft Imagine Academy (MIA) programme. This programme will provide technology education for students and staff spanning computer basics to high-level programming, along with information and communications technology management – from a complete Computer Science and Office 365 curricula geared toward converting computer users into computer developers as well as converting computer users into productivity software experts. Students can get hands-on experience with the latest Microsoft technology to learn new skills and gain a competitive edge in the next step in their academics.

Microsoft Imagine Academy

To learn more about the programme please see the **attached launch brief**.

Secondly, all staff are labouring intensively to prepare our Year 9 and 11 students for their respective examinations in April, May/June and October, through booster classes and subject clinics. In addition, the Year 11 students will receive additional support over several weekends and during the holidays to perform at optimum level for the scheduled IGCSE examinations. Please see the information from Mr Ikuyinminu.

In the **third instance**, I look forward seeing the parents of our Year 9 and 11 students for the Academic Review this Saturday at 10:00 am and punctuality will be appreciated.

In conclusion, **'Never forget where you have been. Never lose sight of where you are going. And never take for granted the people who travel the journey with you.'**; also, **'Acceptance and tolerance and forgiveness, those are life-altering lessons.'**; and **'Love recognises no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, penetrate walls to arrive at its destination full of hope.'**

Yours sincerely
Mr. Abraham Swart
Principal

Information to all Year 9 and 11 Parents

We have received detailed information from both the **British Council** and the **Delta State Ministry of Basic & Secondary Education** about the CIE Secondary Checkpoint and the Basic Education Certificate Examinations. While the checkpoint examinations in English, Mathematics and Science will take place in April, the Basic Education Certificate Examinations will be taken in June.

On the other hand, our Year 11s will take their IGCSE examinations in October and their WASSC examinations (of WAEC) early next year.

We have put several programmes in place to support these groups of students. Consequently, all Year 9 students are expected to return to school on **Sunday, 15th April 2018** shortly after the Easter celebration. Other students will return on the 22nd April 2018.

Meanwhile, all Year 9 and 11 students are expected to remain in school for intensive revision programme during the next half-term break in May 2018. Therefore, adequate preparation should be made in terms of their needs when returning to school in April. ***Further information follows at the end of the term.***

We thank all our parents for the past and continuous support. It is our prayer that all efforts will not be in vain. For further enquiries, please e-mail me at clement.ikuyinminu@jameshopecollege.edu.ng and you will get a response as soon as possible.

Clement Ikuyinminu
Vice-Principal (Academic Affairs)

REMINDERS

JHC ACADEMIC REVIEW for YEAR 9 & 11 STUDENTS

A gentle reminder that we expect the parents of our Year 9 and 11 students on this coming **Saturday, 3rd of March 2018**, for the **ACADEMIC REVIEW** and **PARENTS FORUM**. We will gather in the Great Hall at **10.00 am** for the **Parents Forum** which is anticipated not to be more than 30 minutes; after this, circa, **11.00 am**, the **Academic Review** will proceed with respective meetings in the **Classrooms and Science & Technology areas**. It is expected that we will conclude by 3.00 pm latest.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS

Please note that all school newsletters will be sent from the DoNotReply@jameshopecollege.edu.ng email address. This is an **unattended mail box** and parents are advised to use the correct email address when corresponding with specific staff.

Your cooperation and support will be appreciated.

HUMANITARIAN DAY DONATIONS

Thank you for the bounty of donations. The needy recipients are immensely grateful for the gifts.

TRAVEL INFORMATION:

Here follows the travel information for the **Air Peace bookings** (www.flyairpeace.com):

	Benin-Abuja-Benin	Benin-Lagos-Benin
Departure	Wednesday 28 th March 2018 by 11:30 am	Wednesday 28 th March 2018 by 11:40 am
Year 9 Only Early Return	Sunday, 15 th April 2018 by 1.55pm	Sunday, 15 th April 2018 by 11:10 am
Return	Sunday, 22 nd April 2018 by 1:55 pm	Sunday, 22 nd April 2018 by 11:10 am

Please note that the above timings are ***subject to change*** by the airline.

As a practice, all tickets should be forwarded to lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng, and sunday.loyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng at least **two weeks before the departure date**. Also note that the above timings are subject to change by the airline.

FUTURE EVENTS:

Date	Event
1 st March 2018	JHC World Book Day
3 rd March 2018	Academic Review for Years 9 & 11 students
17 th March 2018	JHC Sports Day and Parents Visiting Day
28 th March 2018	School breaks for Term 2 holidays
15 th April 2018	Only Year 9 students Return for CIE Checkpoint examinations
22 nd April 2018	Students return for the start of term 3

For more information or clarification on any matter, please feel free to contact me at 0708 396 4440 or abraham.swart@jameshopecollege.edu.ng