

Dear Parents and Friends,

Greetings from a lovely and cool Agbor! At JHC it is as busy as a beehive with one more week till the conclusion of the IGCSE examinations, internal examinations to start next week for the rest of the students, the BSO inspection, etc.

Next week **Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018** will be **Academic Review** for parents of **Year 9, 11 and 12 students**. Affected parents are urged to attend as critical information will be shared. More importantly, staff reviewing with parents the performance of students affords a one-on-one opportunity to share areas of strength as well as areas for improvement to progress to the next level in their learning. I have attached a **pdf document** which may assist with helping parents to make the most of this precious time.

The **JHC Entrance Exams 2019/20** are currently advertised in national newspapers and on the website. If you have family or friends who have children of the correct age to start College, then please share this information with them. To note, the **Open Day** for prospective parents is **Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018**.

Renowned author, Maya Angelou said, **'My mission in life is not merely to survive, but to thrive; and to do so with some passion, some compassion, some humour, and some style'** – upon reflection we may ask, 'What is my mission, or do I just plod on from one day to the next?'. And James Faust reminds us of the importance of accepting the contradictions of life but that there is a higher purpose to what we go through, **'If there were no night, we would not appreciate the day, nor could we see the stars and the vastness of the heavens. We must partake of the bitter with the sweet. There is a divine purpose in the adversities we encounter every day. They prepare, they purge, they purify, and thus they bless.'**

Enjoy the week ahead and as the French speakers would say, 'au revoir' - until we meet again.

Yours faithfully  
**Abraham P. Swart**  
Principal

## REMINDERS

### REQUESTING of LETTERS & DOCUMENTS

It is always a pleasure to complete letters for students whether it is to apply for a visa or references/testimonials. Parents need to be cognisant that we have a 3-business day turn around for such requests. I can state that most of our parents do comply with this timeline.

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

We have investigated the options of changing to Asaba Airport and upon investigation, we discovered that one-way travel from Asaba to Abuja will cost N32,700 and Asaba to Lagos will cost N32,600 as against N23,100 cost of flying from Benin Airport. Therefore, considering the economics, we have decided to continue flying from Benin which is N10,000 cheaper than flying from Asaba.

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

	Benin-Abuja-Benin	Benin-Lagos-Benin
<b>Departure: Year 12 ONLY</b> Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	11.30 am	11.40 am
<b>Departure: Years 7, 8, 9, 10 &amp; 11 ONLY</b> Friday, 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	11.30 am	11.40 am
<b>Return: ALL STUDENTS</b> Sunday, 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	1.55 pm	11.10 am

As a practice, all tickets should be forwarded to [lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng](mailto:lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng), and [sunday.oloyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng](mailto:sunday.oloyede@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
10 <sup>th</sup> October – 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	IGCSE examinations
12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	British Schools Overseas (BSO) Inspection
17 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Academic Review Year 9, 11 & 12 Students only
24 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Open Day for prospective parents and students
30 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Year 12's to vacate early for end of term
02 <sup>nd</sup> December 2018	JHC Xmas Concert
07 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	End of term and all students <b><i>return on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019</i></b>

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