

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

22nd May 2019

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that this newsletter finds you in good spirits.

Today marks the *final day for the scholastic career* of most Year 12 students at James Hope College, and next week all will be done with the WAEC examinations. No doubt it has not always been an easy journey but neither do we expect it to be for this is part of life with its ebbs and flows - the pleasant with the unpleasant, the difficulties with the happinesses, etc. But as the saying goes, 'all is well that ends well'. *Invitations* have now been sent out to the Year 12's and their parents to celebrate their journey whilst at JHC and we look forward to seeing them as young adults in a few weeks' time.

The *etymology* of the word *decorum* traces its origin to the Latin words of '*decor'*, '*decorum'* and '*decorus'*, these meaning, 'that which is fit and proper' as well as, 'beauty, charm and grace'. In the 1560's, *decorum* entered the English language and since then it means, 'dignified propriety of behaviour, speech, dress, etc.' At JHC we often use this word as it encapsulates the high expectation we have of all campus dwellers regarding behaviour, speech, appearance and dress. However, over the last few weeks it has been noticed that some of our young men are not accustomed to the removal of their facial hair - after all, it is school policy that students shave any facial hair (moustache, beards, etc.) as it affects decorum. Upon a closer look we have found the reasons why and as such we advise parents of the following:

- 1. Fathers, your boys are growing into young men and you need to teach them how to shave.
- 2. Parents are to ensure that upon resumption, those who have need to shave bring shavers (handheld or electric), shaving cream or lotion, and bump prevention cream.
- 3. To note, hair clippers are not an alternative to shave facial hair unless it is a multifunctional shaver with attachments for this purpose.

Here is wishing you a happy Thursday and looking forward seeing our students return on Sunday, 2nd of June 2019.

Yours truly

Abraham P. Swart

Principal

JHC PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

The JHC Photography Club is made up of students that have been an intrinsic motivation to transit from the theoretical aspect of taking snapshots to the excitement of hands-on involvement. Over the last few months, students have learnt the basic applications of Shutter speed, ISO, Aperture, and lots more.

All students are welcome to join as an experience in photography is not a requirement - just a desire to learn with a hands-on approach. Club members will be learning from each other and will be photographing various school activities. In addition, students can express themselves through the lens of a camera. The club is facilitated by Mr. Isaac Ashonibare.









JHC Student awarded the Immerse Education Global Scholarship Cambridge and Oxford 2019

Immerse Education is an award-winning provider of academic programmes in the United Kingdom. Programmes take place in inspirational and prestigious locations, including colleges of Cambridge University, and offer educational experiences with diverse and enriching curricula. All programmes are designed by expert, experienced tutors, which include some of the brightest minds from some of the world's leading universities. For further information, visit https://www.immerse.education

The Global Scholars programme broadens the international diversity of Immerse Education's award-winning academic programmes and is also an excellent accolade for high performing students interested in pursuing future studies at a leading university.

Our own Akajiugo Amucheazi in Year 11 was nominated for the Global Scholars 2019 programme and was successfully awarded a scholarship. He will be joining other award winners all over the world in Cambridge from August 11, 2019 for their intensive course.

Congratulations!!!

Clement Ikuyinminu Vice-Principal (Academic Affairs)



Parents engaging the SLT and Teachers at the recent Academic Review Day

COBIS ART

The COBIS Competition is a celebration of creativity and artistic talent across all COBIS Member Schools. The theme for this year 2019 is 'Introduce Yourself'. With this theme, students were asked to convey their individual personalities through art.

This can be a reflection on the things, feelings, surroundings and things that make all COBIS students so wonderfully unique. JHC Students produced interesting and creative painting pieces with various media.









Our students who participated in the COBIS 2019 ART competition

CHEMISTRY @ JHC



'Chemistry is one of the three main branches of pure science, the other two being Biology and Physics. We study chemistry to acquire knowledge about the compositions of the world around us and deepen our understanding of it. Frankly, there is no better school in the country to study chemistry at this academic level than James Hope College.

As a scholar, taking Chemistry as a subject, is a challenging but worthwhile experience that

requires hard work and tenacity. Combined with the skill and experience of the academic staff, the scholastic prowess in Chemistry and in the Science department is nothing short of remarkable.

In James Hope College, there is a dedicated Chemistry Laboratory stocked entirely with imported equipment and devoted to providing students with facilities necessary to obtain a complete learning experience for both the local and foreign curricula. Our professional teaching staff provide round-the-clock support, even during weekends, to ensure every student's needs are well catered for. Each student is encouraged right from year 7 to participate in class activities, complete tasks, express creativity and put in extra effort to accomplish the goal: excellent grades in IGCSE and WASSCE Chemistry examinations.

Now, after six years in James Hope College, I'm certain that I have a solid foundation in Chemistry which makes me eligible for a future career involving the subject'.





Contributed by Ebiakebowei Elisha Okara

REMINDERS

ACADEMIC REVIEW DAY YEARS 7, 8 and 10's

This event was well attended. We wish to **thank the parents** who made the effort for this important and we are in no doubt that the exchange between parent and teacher was as usual a worthwhile opportunity to discuss your child's progress.

YEAR 10 LEADERSHIP CAMP

The annual AISEN Leadership Camp for prospective prefects will hold between *Friday 24th -Sunday 26th May at Greensprings School in Lekki Lagos* and our Year 10 students will be attending to prepare them for the schools' student leadership system. Twenty Year 10's were selected and we wish them well. If you have any queries please contact Mr. Sunday Oloyede on 07085533507 or send an email to sunday.oloyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

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

		Benin-Abuja-Benin	Benin-Lagos-Benin
Departure - Friday, 24 th May 2019		11:55 am	12.10 pm
Return: Su	ınday, 2 nd June 2019	2:20 pm	3:50 pm

As a practice, all tickets should be forwarded to lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng, and 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	
24 th May – 2 nd June 2019	Half-term break Term 3 for Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 ONLY	
28 th May 2019	Last examination for WAEC & Final Day for YEAR 12's	
22 nd June 2019	Careers Fair@JHC	
29 th June 2019	Year 12 Graduation Ceremony	
11 th July 2019	Annual Prize-Giving & End of Academic Year	
25 th August 2019	New Year 12's Return for IGCSE exam Preparations	
7 th of September 2019	Orientation for New Year 7's	

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