# JAMES HOPE COLLEGE

# PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

18<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that all is as well as it can be. JHC is currently doing *continuous assessments* with internal *term three examinations starting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 2021*.

A *virtual meeting was held last week Saturday (15<sup>th</sup> May 2021) with parents of Year 7, 8*and 9 students – thank you parents, for making the effort.

Here follows a summary of topics discussed:

- Covid vaccinations & PCR tests: The goal is to have staff and other campus dwellers
  vaccinated before resumption of the new academic year. Alternatively, a negative PCR test will
  be required. The same information will be shared with our regular vendors. To note, I can
  confirm that this has already begun to further improve the JHC covid-free bubble.
- 2. **The JHC Pledge:** Two parents mentioned issues pertaining to the sharing of schemes of work and students' personal items. A reminder that all parents have the right to contact the principal via his email and/or mobile number (shared at the end of every newsletter and on the JHC web site) if it is felt that the desired outcome has not been resolved with the specific staff.

No doubt, it was *a productive meeting* and a healthy exchange of views, but I do miss our face-to-face meetings. Importantly, the *JAMB dates* have been announced and this should not impact the IGCSE examination schedule. However, we are still waiting on the release of the *WAEC examination schedule*.

In conclusion, "Few things in the world are more powerful than a positive push. A smile. A world of optimism and hope. A 'you can do it' when things are tough.", also, "It is a wonderful thing to be optimistic. It keeps you healthy and it keeps you resilient.", and not forgetting that "A good laugh is sunshine in the house", or workplace, but don't laugh too loud otherwise the boss might think that you are up to mischief.

Be safe until we meet again.

Yours truly **Abraham. P. Swart** Principal

## **REMINDERS**

#### REVISED JHC ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Please note that this is available on the JHC web site.

### **LOCATION of APPROVED COVID -19 Testing LABORATORIES**

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has a list of approved Covid testing laboratories on its web site. Please follow this link, <a href="https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/laboratory/">https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/privatelabs/</a>, and for fee-paying laboratories, <a href="https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/privatelabs/">https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/privatelabs/</a>

In Delta State, Landmark Diagnostics (approved by the Federal government) at Vivi Spring Pharmacy, Suite 4, Open Haven Plaza (Opposite Legislative Quarters, Okpanam Road, Asaba) recently opened and is doing PCR testing. In Edo State, Lily Hospitals situated at 3 Afe close, off Ikpokpan Road, GRA Benin City.

#### TRAVEL INFORMATION

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

	Asaba – Abuja - Asaba	Asaba — Lagos-Asaba
Departure: 2 July 2021	8:50 am	11:30 am
Return: To Be Confirmed	TBC	TBC

As per practice, all tickets should be forwarded to <a href="lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng">lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng</a>, and <a href="sunday.oloyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng">sunday.oloyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng</a> at least <a href="mailto:two weeks">two weeks</a> before the departure date. Also note that the above timings are <a href="subject to change">subject to change</a> by the airline.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Date	Event
TBC	Year 12 Graduation to be confirmed
1st July 2021	Annual Prize Giving & <b>End of Academic Year</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> August 2021	New Year 12's return to College
5 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Orientation for <i>new Year 7's</i>
6 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	School resumption for <i>ALL other Students</i>

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