

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that this newsletter finds you in good spirits.

This week ***all students*** are busy with examinations, from Year 7 – 12.

The ***Year 12 students will complete the IGCSE examinations on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> of June*** and will vacate the campus by Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> June latest. The time at home will be used to prepare and write the JAMB examinations. Furthermore, our staff will engage them via digital means to continue to prepare for the ***WAEC examinations*** - to note, we are still waiting on the official WAEC rescheduled examination timetable. Once this is ***available then they will be requested to return to College.***

I have attached a copy of the ***JHC 2021/22 Academic calendar.*** Parents are requested to peruse and plan around this. Importantly, current Year 11's, or the ***new Year 12's will return to College on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021; New Year 7's on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> September,*** and, ***the rest of the College on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.***

We had a bit of normality returning to our College on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021 with the ***Interhouse Athletics day.*** Thank you to the staff and students who made this a fantastic day - please enjoy the write-up.

In conclusion, on the topic of friendship, ***"There is a magnet in your heart that will attract true friends. That magnet is unselfishness, thinking of others first; when you learn to live for others, they will live for you."***; also, ***"Friends and good manners will carry you where money won't go."***; and not forgetting that ***"Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down."***

Be safe until we meet again.

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

## **JHC INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS DAY, 28<sup>th</sup> MAY 2021**

On 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021, James Hope College organised an entertaining athletics day as an extended celebration of Children's Day. Many had not envisaged a behind closed doors Interhouse Sports Day would still take place in the aftermath of the Coronavirus.

Despite this, the students still participated with the same drive and passion required to make the event successful. Ranging from field events to modified track events, and several interludes given by the renowned school orchestra, all the students, had an exciting day.

The Athletics meet commenced with a concise outlay of the events of the day following the competition oath by the female sports prefect. After, the struggle for the most athletic house was kicked off with the field events: broad jump, long jump, shot put and discus. Teacher and student officials, as well as student house captains coordinated the various competitors for the track events (team and individual races). The atmosphere bubbled with excitement as ***Kwame Nkrumah (Yellow house)*** emerged as the winner.

In conclusion, in a period where this sports day looked highly unlikely, it was its major success that will make it stand out for years to come. It was evident that the students were wild with elation after the series of captivating events. Apart from keeping students in shape, the athletics day kept them entertained. The school is surely replete with promising athletes.



What a shot!



In full flight...



Stretching to the limit.



Hopping like a rabbit!



Faster, faster...



Riding high!



We are in this together.



Doing the heavy work!



We are the CHAMPIONS!



**Well done Yellow House!**



## REMINDERS

### JHC ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2021/22

Please note that with the fluid covid situation changes might be made at short notice.

### 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, <https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/laboratory/> , and for fee-paying laboratories, <https://covid19.ncdc.gov.ng/privatelabs/>

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

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

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

As per practice, all tickets should be forwarded to [lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng](mailto:lekkyes.dadwang@jameshopecollege.edu.ng), and [sunday.loyede@jameshopecollege.edu.ng](mailto: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
TBC	Year 12 Graduation to be confirmed
1 <sup>st</sup> July 2021	Annual Prize Giving & <b><i>End of Academic Year</i></b>
29 <sup>th</sup> August 2021	<b><i>New Year 12's</i></b> return to College
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	Orientation for <b><i>new Year 7's</i></b>
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2021	School resumption for <b><i>ALL other Students</i></b>

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