

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that all is well.

We will be on half-term break as from Friday until ***College resumes on 31st October 2022.*** The break allows students to do something different with a change of pace which will assist with re-energising them for a busy second half-term. However, the Year 12's will continue throughout the break with their IGCSE examinations.

Please take note of the ***'Future Events'*** section on the last page to plan for upcoming events. I will share an updated calendar shortly. At the ***recent assembly*** I shared the importance of ***decorum (proper and dignified behaviour and dress)*** with our students. The JHC way is that our ***decorum*** should always be impeccable and immaculate!

A ***teachable moment*** is a moment in which a child is most ready to learn about a topic – it is the perfect moment to teach something. These may occur when an event occurs that acts as a catalyst for learning, or a child has an epiphany about something, or develops a natural curiosity about a topic. And failures or mistakes can be turned into opportunities for learning. As parents, we are encouraged to talk to our children about the benefits of failure – a case study from one's own life, something that happened in the week or famous failures. For example, J.K. Rowling's 12 rejections before someone finally agreed to publish her books. The lesson is that if we work through failures and use our resilience, amazing things can happen.

In conclusion, here are worthwhile quotes, ***'Mistakes are proof that you are trying.'*** and ***'Never stop learning because life never stops teaching.'***

Be safe until we meet again.

Yours truly
Abraham. P. Swart
Principal

NIGERIAN BREWERIES-FELIX OHIWEREI EDUCATION TRUST FUND

The Nigerian Breweries-Felix Ohiwerei Education Trust Fund was created in 1994 to advance education at all levels in Nigeria, and the Maltina Teacher of the Year Awards is one of the many initiatives of the fund. In 2021, one of our own, Mr. Taiye Abanika emerged as the winner of the 7th edition of the award. As part of the prize, the Trust Fund ***donated 40 desktop computers worth N20, 0000,000 (twenty million) to our College*** on Monday, 17th of October 2022. We thank the Trust for this gift as it will further enable the enhancement of digital education for both teachers and students and will complement what is already happening at JHC.



At the ***handover ceremony***, from ***left to right***, Adedamola Adebo (Year 11 student), Principal Abraham Swart, Babatunde Dawodu (Head of Sustainability & Regulatory Relations), Taiye Abanika (JHC Design & Technology teacher & 2021 Maltina Teacher of the year), Tayo Adelaja (Corporate Affairs Manager – Lagos), Eghonghon Eigbe (Year 11 student) and Oluseye Olokun (Regulatory Relations Manager).

NIGERIA INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Nigeria has just clocked 62 years and as per JHC tradition, we were not left out of the celebrations. The main goal of the day, celebrated on Friday, 30th September 2022, was to present in great fashion the ideal of patriotism that Nigerian citizens should possess.

Anchored by the social prefects, the ceremony commenced with the opening prayer which was said in Igbo language. The National Anthem was presented in Yoruba Language, and it was awesome. All students were adorned with a resplendent variety of several traditional garbs, representing nearly every Nigerian ethnic group you could think of - from Yoruba, Igbo, Hausa, Ibibio and so on.

At the right wing of the hall, there was the face painting station as well as local-language-inclined market stalls where a wide selection of culinary products were on display for purchase.

The programme ran for a fun-filled three hours after which a delectable lunch was served. A plethora of performances punctuated various intervals in the programme: varied cultural dances, a poem recitation, a debate-style speech on contemporary and ancient technologies, a display of cuisines from different tribes and a short but impactful drama. Additionally, a quiz was included to shed some light on some unknown aspects of Nigerian history and facts as well as a **'gele-tying'** competition in which the year 12 representatives emerged as the winners.

To conclude the event, a fashion parade which showcased the most wonderfully dressed students, allowed the students to flaunt their 'swag'. This event underscores that the James Hope College family is in touch with its Nigerian roots. The flamboyant colours and patriotic spirits were straight out of a fairy tale. Indeed, it was a memorable day!



The Local Market



Modern versus Ancient Technology



Gele Tying



Edo Cultural Dance



Hausa/Fulani Cultural Dance



Yoruba Cultural Dance



Igbo Cultural Dance



Face Painting

Contributed by Sochikamma Umeigbo & Morolayo Asalu, Year 12 students

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION RESULTS: IGCSE, BECE & WAEC

It is noteworthy that our external examination results have been on a progressive excellence streak year after year. Indeed, we are proud of our students, parents and staff for their indefatigable efforts towards these world-class achievements.

On Friday, 29th July 2022, the British Council Nigeria, in collaboration with the Cambridge Assessment International Education, recognised the exceptional performances of those learners in Nigeria who had the highest marks in a subject during the June and November 2021 examination series. James Hope College proudly received a total of 19 awards, out of which three of them are in the **"Top in the World"** category. Dignitaries at the award night, which was held at the Civic Centre, Lagos included the British Council Country Director Nigeria, Mrs. Lucy Pearson and the Lagos State Commissioner for Education, Mrs. Folasade Adefisayo.

We received the results of the 2022 Basic Education Certificate Examinations (BECE) in September 2022 and all JHC candidates passed the examinations successfully. Three of these students (Ijioma Chimdindu, Onaga Ifunanya and Oze Emmanuella) who are now in Year 10 made straight A's across the nine subjects tested and were celebrated at the school assembly on Monday, 17th October 2022.

Whilst still basking in the euphoria of successive celebrations, James Hope College students did it again! They performed beyond expectations in the May/June 2022 West African Senior School Certificate Examinations (WASSCE). The results, which were released by WAEC recently, indicate a one hundred per cent (100%) **A1-C6 overall pass including English and Mathematics**. JHC recorded 100% A1 in 5 subjects and 100%A1-B3 in 12 subjects. Here are some of the results from our scholars:

Name	Summary of Results
Nwadinma Amucheazi	8-A1 (including English & Mathematics), 1-B2
Peter Yakubu	8-A1, 1-B2
Chiagoziem Nzewi	8-A1, 1-B2
David Mbachu	7-A1, 1-B2
Joel Ariegwe	7-A1, 2-B2

Contributed by Mr. Clement Ikuyinminu, VP Academic Affairs

REMINDERS

REVISED JHC ACADEMIC CALENDAR

A revised academic calendar will be shared shortly to reflect any changes.

VIRTUAL MEETING WITH PARENTS

Please note that the first one will be on Saturday, 19th November with a second one planned for term 2. Details to follow soon.

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event
5 th October 2022	Start of IGCSE examinations
21 st October 2022	Half-term break
31 st October 2022	Start of second half-term, term 1
12 th November 2022	1 st JHC Open day for Year 7 prospective parents & students
17 th November 2022	End of IGCSE examinations
19 th November 2022	Virtual Meeting with Parents
JHC Xmas Event	Date to be confirmed
8 th December 2022	End of Term 1 and start of Xmas break
9 th January 2023	School resumption and start of term 2
14 th January 2023	JHC Annual Lunch Event
21 st January 2023	2 nd JHC Open day for Year 7 prospective parents & students
28 th January 2023	1 st JHC Entrance Exams/ Admission 2022/23
4 th February 2023	2 nd JHC Entrance Exams/ Admission 2022/23
17 th February 2023	Half-term break
1 st March 2023	Start of second half-term, term 2

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