

Dear Parents and Friends,

'Enwere m ntụkwasị obi na ihe niile dị mma.'

Here follows a quick update on essential matters.

The **examinations** for this term will start next week from **13 - 17th of November 2023**. I have attached the timetable for your information and adjustment to the transport routine. Furthermore, due to the examination week, there will **not be any co-curricular activities scheduled** but will resume in the following week.

The **School Photograph** event has gone swimmingly well, and all our students are photogenic. We will announce when the photographs are ready for sharing.

A reminder that the JHC Open Day is this coming **Saturday, 11 November 2023**. Please note that this is only for prospective parents and students. And we will muster in the Atrium promptly at 10:00 am and conclude by 1:00 pm.

Equally important, the **admission season for 2024/2025** has begun, and more information can be gathered from the www.jameshopecollege.edu.ng website with a link to download the requisite application form.

In conclusion, two of my favourite Igbo proverbs are "**Ụwa dika ara nne ehi, ọ gaghị agba mmiri ma ọ bụrụ na ipighị ya aka ọfuma**" – and translated it reads, '**The world is like a cow's udder. It does not yield any milk unless you punch and squeeze it.**' And the profound meaning is that in life, nothing comes easy. You have to work hard to accomplish things.

The other is, "**Mma eji egbu Ọjị taa, bụ mma ụzụ hụrụ na ọkụ ụnyaahụ**" – the English translation is, '**The machete that cuts down a tree today is a machete that went through the blacksmith's forge yesterday.**' In essence, it is about success, similar to the English saying 'no guts, no glory', which means we must take risks and go through hardships to succeed at something. Our African proverbs stood the test of time and were gained through experience, and it don't have to take a back seat to any other sayings, as it is one of the best.

God bless until we meet again.

Yours truly
Abraham. P. Swart
Principal

REMINDERS

UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE – FINAL REMINDER

Please be informed that due to increases in global production costs, transport, and an erratic forex exchange rate, we are compelled to increase the price of uniforms from term 2. The new prices will be advertised before the close of term 1. Parents are requested to follow the prescribed process for ordering uniforms, namely, complete the uniform order form (downloadable from the JHC website, or you may request a copy from admission@jameshopecollege.edu.ng, complete payment, then send the completed form with proof of payment to the admission email address – **not** via WhatsApp. Upon receipt, the uniform order will be filled, and students will be informed to collect.

PARENTAL ACCESS IMPROVED

The JHC student data management system (SDS) is now accessible to parents. If you have any challenges, please email all queries to IThelpdesk@jameshopecollege.edu.ng . We anticipated a few gremlins, and it is being worked on to have an error-free experience.

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event
4 September 2023	Staff INSET DAY
5 September 2023	New JHC Students ORIENTATION Day
6 September 2023	Full College resumes for term 1
28 September 2023	Eid-El-Malud
2 October 2023	Nigeria Independence Day
5 October 2023	World Teacher's Day
7 October 2023	Parents Visiting Day for Boarding Students
20 October 2023	Academic Review Day for Years 9-12 and Start of Mid-term Break
30 October 2023	Full School resumes
6 November 2023	Whole School Photographs
16 November 2023	End of Year 12 IGCSE examinations
18 November 2023	Parents-Teachers Virtual Meeting
7 December 2023	Last day of the term
5 January 2024	Staff INSET day
8 January 2024	Full College resumes, start of 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

**FIRST TERM EXAMINATION TIMETABLE - NOVEMBER 2023
(YEARS 10 & 11)**

DAYS	REGISTRATION (8.00 - 8.30)	SESSION 1	BREAK	SESSION 2	LUNCH	SESSION 3
		8.30 - 10.30		11.20 - 1.20		2.00 - 4.00
Monday 13/11		ENGLISH LANGUAGE		LIT /GEOGRAPHY		PHYSICS/ GOVT
Tuesday 14/11		CIVIC EDUCATION		PRIVATE STUDY		CHEMISTRY / COMMERCE
Wednesday 15/11		COMPUTER SCIENCE		AGRIC/ D.T. / P.E.		ECONOMICS
Thursday 16/11		MATHEMATICS		BIOLOGY		DATA PROCESSING / BOOKKEEPING
Friday 17/11		F. MATHS /R.E.		FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING		YORUBA

**FIRST TERM EXAMINATION TIMETABLE - NOVEMBER 2023
(YEARS 7, 8 & 9)**

DAYS	REGISTRATION (8.00 - 8.30)	SESSION 1	BREAK (10 MINS)	SESSION 2	BREAK (10 MINS)	SESSION 3	LUNCH	SESSION 4
		8.30 - 10.00		10.10 - 11.40		11.50 - 1.20		2.10 - 3.40
Monday 13/11		ENGLISH		CIVIC EDUCATION		AGRIC SCIENCE		MUSIC
Tuesday 14/11		PHYSICAL EDUCATION		DESIGN & TECH.		H/ECONOMICS		FRENCH
Wednesday 15/11		PRIVATE STUDY		SCIENCE		B/STUDIES		IGBO /YORUBA
Thursday 16/11		PRIVATE STUDY		MATHEMATICS		HISTORY / P.S. (YR 9)		ARTS
Friday 17/11		PRIVATE STUDY		COMPUTER SCIENCE		SOCIAL STUDIES		R. E.