

Dear Parents and Friends,

I trust that you are well despite the unseasonal hot weather.

The ***continuous assessment week*** timetable has been shared with students. It will run from Monday, 13 May, until Friday, 17 May 2024. Please ensure that your child studies and revises when at home and that distractions are kept to a minimum.

A small group of our staff will ***attend the COBIS conference in London next week***. We wish them well and look forward to the infusion of ideas that will invigorate teaching and learning and benefit everyone.

Not so long ago, we requested that students use ***clear plastic water bottles*** for ***health and safety purposes***, and we thank the parents who made the swap. Please note that from the start of next term, all students are expected to comply.

Our students look spiffy in the new JHC ***track top***; imagine the awesomeness when they wear the whole outfit!

In conclusion, Thomas Edison said, ***"Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time."*** - Edison would know about not giving up, as without his perseverance, we would probably still be using candles and lamps for illumination. In addition, a worthwhile thought from Martha Beck is that ***"Every day brings new choices."*** Yes, every new day, we have the opportunity to start afresh and not repeat the wrongs of yesterday but improve ourselves and our relationships with others.

Be safe until we meet again.

Yours truly
Abraham. P. Swart
Principal

REMINDERS

SPEAKING UP and OUT!

We encourage students to ***speak up and out*** if they feel others are infringing on their safety. The College has systems to assist with this. However, parents are also encouraged to regularly chat with their children to find out how they are doing, and if parents sense anything problematic, immediately reach out to the College.

DECORUM EXPECTATIONS

All students are expected to ***adhere to the decorum expectations*** - uniform laundered, blazers dry-cleaned, boys' hair to be cut short, girls' hair neatly braided or neatly natural, and proper school shoes as per previous instructions, etc. We all lead busy lives, but decorum is of utmost importance and a ***BIG THANK YOU*** to the parents who are complying.

FUTURE EVENTS

Date	Event
15 April 2024	Full College resumes, start of term 3
1 May 2024	Workers Day
18 May 2024	Parents-Teachers Virtual Meeting (TBC)
13 – 17 May 2024	Continuous Assessments
24 May 2024	Last day of College for mid-term break (3:00 pm pick-up)
3 June 2024	Full College resumes for the final half-term
7 – 14 June 2024	Term Examinations
12 June 2024	Democracy Day
17/18 June 2024	Eid El-Kabir Holiday (TBC)
29 June 2024	Graduation
11 July 2024	Annual Prizegiving & End of Term
September 2024	New Year 7 Orientation (TBC)
September 2024	Start of 2024/25 Academic Year (TBC)

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