

20th July, 2018.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

NEWSLETTER, 3rd TERM 2017/2018 SESSION

We are grateful and thankful to God for His mercies which has kept us alive to the end of another academic session and has provided us everything needed to fulfill our obligation to our children. We pray that He will continue to guide, protect and provide for us all. Amen.

1. REVIEW OF 2017/2018 ACADEMIC SESSION: The session commenced in September, 2017 with the three (3) mantras which are Respect, Neatness and Discipline. Nevertheless, silence remains an emphatic code in the school.

2. INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT:

i) During the academic session, the front wall of the school was given a face lift.

ii) *A Language/Media Laboratory:* A Language/Media laboratory that is comparable to what is used in the developed countries was installed to enhance teaching and learning in all subjects.

iii) *e-Library:* The school library has been upgraded to e-library with 24hours internet access. This has helped the students to surf the internet and make research. There is also tremendous improvement in their reading skills.

iv) *Hostel Project:* After the visit of the officials of the Lagos State Ministry of Urban and Regional Development, we are awaiting the final approval of the Lagos State Government before the building will commence. We thank parents for their unflinching support in the payment of the agreed hostel levy and we pray that God will enrich your pockets.

3. ACADEMICS: The school has been unrelenting in providing sound knowledge to the students. There was Mathematics remedial classes for some students in JSS2, SS1 and SS2 throughout the term. Morning classes were organized to help prepare students adequately for the promotion examination.

External Examinations: The WASSCE 2018 results is out. It was an impressive result. We hope to improve more on subjects that students didn't come out with distinctions.

Seventy-one (71) JSS3 students sat for NECO Junior School Certificate Examination and Lagos State Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE). We are optimistic that they will come out with flying colours.

4. APPEARANCE/DRESS CODE: Students are expected to be properly dressed at all times in the approved dress code stated by the School Management. Only the approved uniforms and footwear for classes, Chapel, boarding house and laboratories should be worn as the case may be. Students should handle their belongings carefully to avoid misplacement.

The white laboratory coat is compulsory for all science and technical students. Amount is N5,000 (Five thousand naira only)

The approved footwear for junior students is the brown Cortina sandals while senior students should put on white canvas. The school blazer is compulsory for all students in the senior school. Worn out uniforms, sandals, canvas, cardigans and belts should be replaced and students should have their hair cut low before resumption.

5. DISCIPLINE: The school continues to place premium on discipline for proper upbringing to enable the students to face the challenges in our society. As a result of this, three (3) students were expelled from the school during the 1st term of this session for exhibiting improper conduct. Some other students were suspended while some were made to do community service which lasted between one and two weeks during the academic session. Parents and students should carefully read the parents and students' handbook which contains the school rules and regulations and the accompanying punishments. Parents should encourage their children/wards to make conscious effort to be law abiding.

Thirteen (13) students were asked to withdraw at the end of the session. They are in the three (3) categories:

- i) Students who passed but found wanting in character/behaviour.
- ii) Students who repeated a class but failed again.
- iii) Students who were caught in the act of examination malpractice.

6. HOLIDAY ASSIGNMENT: Projects/assignments have been given to students. Parents should encourage their children/wards to execute them before resumption.

7. BAPTISM/FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/ CONFIRMATION: The celebration of the Sacrament of Christian Initiation (Baptism), and the First Holy Communion took place in St. Finbarr's College, Akoka on the 17th of June, 2018 while Confirmation took place in St. Gregory's College, Ikoyi on the 24th of June, 2018. Out of 160 Catechumen, 8 received the Sacrament of Baptism, 56 students received the First Holy Communion, while 35 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

8. PAYMENT OF FEES AND LEVIES: Prompt payment of school fees is yet to be adhered by the parents. There is still a large sum of outstanding fees. Parents should endeavour to pay the school fees within the first two weeks of each term. We urge parents who owe outstanding school fees to offset their debts.

9. EXCURSION: The JSS3 students went on excursion to Omu Resort in Ibeju-Lekki after their JSCE External Examinations. During the holiday, the students will go to French Village in Badagry for seven days excursion.

10. RECRUITMENT OF STAFF: To enhance productivity in teaching and learning, 12 (twelve) teaching staff and three (3) ICT (NIIT) instructors were employed this session while 4(four) non-teaching staff were also employed.

11. RELEASE OF 3RD TERM RESULTS: Results of this term (3rd) will be released to parents on Friday 20th July, 2018.

12. SUMMER SCHOOL: Summer school for this long holiday is for all students but compulsory for SS2 students promoted to SS3. All newly admitted students should also avail themselves the opportunity to register for the summer school, in order to get acquainted with the academic system of the school.

Date: Monday 6th August - Friday 31st August, 2018. Time 9am – 1.30pm daily.

Amount: N15,000 (Fifteen thousand naira only)

13. THE SCHOOL ACADEMIC CALENDER 1ST TERM 2018/2019:

i. BOARDERS RESUMPTION	-	15 TH SEPTEMBER, 2018
ii. SCHOOL OPENS	-	17 TH SEPTEMBER, 2018
iii. LITERACY DAY	-	21 ST SEPTEMBER, 2018
iv. VISITING DAY (BOARDERS)	-	30 TH SEPTEMBER, 2018
v. WORLD TEACHERS DAY	-	5 th OCTOBER, 2018
vi. SPEECH & PRIZE-GIVING DAY	-	13 TH OCTOBER, 2018
vii. OPEN DAY/PTA MEETING	-	26 TH OCTOBER, 2018
viii. MID-TERM BREAK	-	29 TH OCT.- 2 ND NOV. 2018
ix. BOARDERS RETURN FROM MID-TERM BERAK-	-	4 TH NOVEMBER, 2018
x. INTER-HOUSE SPORTS	-	10 TH NOVEMBER, 2018
xi. VISITING DAY(BOARDERS)	-	25 th NOVEMBER
xii. 1 st TERM EXAMINATION	-	3 rd -12 th DECEMBER, 2018
xiii. CHRISTMAS CAROL	-	14 TH DECEMBER, 2018
xiv. CLOSING	-	14 TH DECEMBER, 2018

14. CONCLUSION/ADVICE: Parents are advised to monitor their children/wards during the long holiday: know where they go to, the people they associate with, ensure their safety and equip them adequately for resumption. Ensure that they are gainfully engaged during the holiday. We are sincerely grateful for your support in making the 2017/2018 academic session an eventful one.

God bless you all.