





## CHRISTMAS END OF TERM NEWSLETTER 2018/2019 ACADEMIC SESSION

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Dear Parents,

**At Resumption:** The term began with thanksgiving session, the joy of the occasion, gave birth to our monthly; first day of school joint thanksgiving.

**Independence Day**: was celebrated with our grandparents as they gave insights to independence and its celebration in their time.

**Common Entrance Lessons:** Common entrance lessons for Years 5 and 6 will continue after school closure on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December; from *Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> of December to Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon.* This is to help pupils who have entrance exams into secondary schools early in the year.

The school would also assist parents with getting the National Common Entrance form for their wards. This offer is open only to pupils in Primary 5 and 6.

There is also Exam Practice CD that will help pupils prepare for common entrance Exams on computer available for sale at \$\mathbb{H}1,500\$ in the school.

**First School Leaving Certificate:** First school leaving certificate examination registration would begin next term. The exams are usually in the month of July. Please see Admin for further inquiry.

**Primary four Pupils:** At the end of this school year and henceforth, primary four pupils would take a special promotional examination. This exam is designed to engage our high achieving pupils with the necessary level of work required therefore pupils who pass, would move from year 4 to 6 and those who do not would be promoted to year 5. We therefore encourage parents to take special interest in preparing their wards.

**Co – Curricular Activities:** Co-curricular activity is necessary for the total wellbeing of the child. There are a few children who are not in any club; we encourage parents to get their wards or children involved in one club or the other.

There are a few fee paying clubs coming up next term; one of which is the science club. This club would help bring out the critical thinker, engineer or scientist as well as arouse

the curiosity and power of imagination in any child. Please fill the membership form attached to this newsletter and return to school.

Payment for the club or any other club should be made directly into the school's development account. Account name: Beacon Light Educational Resources, Account No 1771775734.

**Dress Sense:** As this term ends; we encourage you to see to it that next term our pupils come with a spring to their Steps by ensuring that:

- 1. Boys wear shirts that have all their buttons on, are free from stains or tear and are long enough to stay tucked in their shorts.
- 2. The shirts and pinafore have neat hem lines.
- 3. Their shoes are appropriately styled with lace and buckles intact and no ankle boots.
- 4. Preferably that younger pupil, wear shoes with Velcro straps for ease and comfort.

A well dressed and graceful child is a plus for their parents. So we encourage you to boost your child's confidence and take pride in dressing them up neatly. Keep in mind all other school dress rules;

- No coloured attachment.
- No braids.
- No beads.
- No studded jeans or shorts
- Black shoes Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays.
- White trainers Wednesday and Friday.

On the days when pupils are asked to wear mufti, in the absence of the specified mufti, only school uniforms should be used as an alternative.

Finally, dressing should always be within the lines of decency.

**Medical:** Eye Screening was done this term and the report will be sent home. Out of the number screened thirty – two (32) were referred, thirty – three (33) would be issued

glasses before or on the commencement of the new term, while two hundred and seventy five (275) pupils have

either corrected vision or normal vision but would still require annual screening or follow up.

**Colour Week:** Colour week as usual is in the month of February. To ensure that you are prepared in good time, here are the colours for the week; Red, Yellow, Blue, Purple and Black.

**Excursions:** There will be field excursions next term. Be reminded that one of the conditions for going on field trips is that pupils are neatly dressed.

The platform for trips within Africa has been opened. At the end of lent term between April 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>Our Secondary section has organised a trip to Ghana the cost is one hundred and thirty thousand (\pmu130,000.00). Interested parents of older pupils from primary four to six should please contact Admin.

**African Week:** We also encourage you to get ready for this years African week as we visit Nigeria

**Needy Day; 14**<sup>th</sup> **February, 2019**: Beacon Light School family has cultivated the habit of giving to the less able in our society. So we encourage you in the spirit of giving to begin to set aside possible items to give to those who are in need.

**Christmas Term Result:** results for your ward would be on their portal from Monday the 10<sup>th</sup>. Please keep all scratch cards safe for subsequent use during the school year and for other terms results.

**Eating Etiquette**: Next term we will continue working with our pupils to encourage proper eating habits. Therefore we ask that every child comes to school with the following:

- Table mat
- Napkin
- Side plate
- Cutlery: knife spoon and fork

Parents should also ensure that fruits are added to meals given.

**Thank you**: Beacon Light School staff and management, appreciate our very amiable and extremely wonderful parents, for their Christmas gift to us. May God bless your seeds sown and we believe that next year will be even better than this year for all of us. God bless you.

## Congratulations:

We thank God for every safe delivery this term. We welcome our children and we declare that you are a blessing and reward to your parents.

We also congratulate our staff Linda Esonu as she gets married this month. May God bless your union.

**Christmas Story:** This 15<sup>th</sup> century English carol gives us the picture of Jesus birth and the reason for his coming. The title is: The Holly and the Ivy.

Below are excerpts from the song;

## Verse 3:

The holly bears the blossom
As white as any flower
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
To do poor sinners good
Verse 5
The holly bears a back
As bitter as any gall
And Mary bore sweet Jesus Christ
For to redeem us all.

Merry Christmas all!



Here is to a prosperous New Year and three hearty cheers of grace for a fantastic 2019 by reason of the redeeming power of Jesus Christ.

**Resumption:** School re-opens for next term on Monday the **7**<sup>th</sup> of January, **2019.** 

