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THIRD TERM 2011/2012 SESSION

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I give glory, honour and adoration to God for the successful completion of this Third term and 2011/2012 academic year. My heart is filled with gratitude to God for sparing our lives. It is the doing of the lord and it is marvelous in my eyes.

The year was quite challenging in terms of living up to the high standard the school has attained over the years. It is often said that climbing to the top of the ladder of success is difficult, but it is more difficult to maintain the position. However, with the grace of God, commitment of the management/ the owners of the school, the cooperation of the entire staff of the school and the support of our parents and guardians, we have not only maintained the status quo but also improved on our previous performance.

ACADEMICS: Teaching and learning process in the school was intensified in the year and this reflected in our performance in the UTME (JAMB). Though this year, national average performance was low with only 45% of candidates in the nation scoring 200 marks and above, we recorded a success rate of 88%. This is also an improvement on our last year's success rate of 83%. We are trusting God for a very good outcome in the just concluded WASSCE and NECO SSCE. There is a general improvement in the overall performance of our students in various classes. Mercyland is getting better and we are not resting.

FACILITIES: A factor crucial to teaching and learning is instructional material. The management is daily upgrading our facilities to meet both the present needs and future challenges. Our ICT centre is a sight to behold ditto our e-library. The laboratories are well equipped and properly utilized. The school has upgraded our sick bay to a medical centre. It is well furnished for the comfort of anyone who has cause to visit there, though we strongly pray against ill – health, we are not living anything to chance. (Watch and Pray is a good instruction).

Our classrooms are spacious, well ventilated and with ceiling fans. We have moved the school kitchen to the AGOB hall of residence where a better kitchen with modern gadgets has been built. This has enabled the school to serve our students daily cooked meal prepared in a more hygienic environment and manner.

SPORTS/COMPETITION: We took part in some competitive events and won several prizes. Below is a list of some selected events and prizes won:

1. Mathematics competition for all secondary schools in Abeokuta organized by Discovery Help Foundation.

1st Position

3. Essay Competition for Junior secondary students in Ogun state. 1st Position
4. Quiz competition organized by the visionaries at FUNNAB. 1st Position
5. 2012 French Competition for all secondary schools in Ogun state organized by National Association of French Teachers. 1st Position

We became the first school in the state to win the competition for three consecutive years. It will be recalled that we represented Ogun state at the National level last year and we won second position out of 30 states and Abuja that took part.

6. From 6th – 10th Jan, 2012, our student Ogundimu Adeoye represented Nigeria in an academic programme organized for a carefully selected gifted children in Africa. The programme was held in Uganda.
7. Again, out of the available 5 slots for Nigeria, Mercyland has won 2 slots to fly Nigeria's flag in the African Gifted Foundation academic programme for African Children coming up in Ghana in August this year.
8. In sports our female and male basketball teams won 3rd position in their respective categories of this year's Milo Basketball tournament. On the other hand, our relay teams brought home many 1st position prizes.
9. In Dictionary drills, impromptu speeches, Debate, song ministrations e.t.c., we have carved a niche for ourselves as a great school.

DISCIPLINE: Our moral tone remains high. Our students generally appreciate the importance of hardwork, obedience, fear of God and moral uprightness. I strongly believe that as the home and the school continue to work together we will get the best out of our children in terms of behaviour and academic attainment.

SCHOOL FEES: The bill for the next term is herewith attached. We appeal for timely payment of fees. Those who are yet to balance their fees for this session should kindly do so before resumption of the new session.

IMPROVED REPORTING SYSTEM: As you would have observed, we have upgraded our reporting system. This will also enhance effective and proper communication to the parents/guardians of students' performance and activities in the school.

EXTENSION CLASS: There will be an extension class for all students newly promoted to SSS3 from Monday 6th to Friday 31st August, 2012. This is to enhance their readiness for the forthcoming 2012 Nov/Dec GCE which will commence on Monday 3rd September and end in October 2012. We strongly appeal for the cooperation of our parents. Each students is to pay a sum of N25,000 for the extension class while those who wish to stay in the hostel will pay additional N40,000 to cover their feeding and stay in the hostel from 6th August to 15th September 2012.

SUMMER SCHOOL: During this holiday parents are encourage to ensure the children are meaningfully engaged to avoid misuse of the time at their disposal. Our summer school will open on Monday 6th and close on Friday 31st August 2012. Each participant is to pay a sum of N20,000 while hostel accommodation is available for additional N25,000

PROMOTION ON TRIAL: Any student promoted on trial MUST attend the summer class and write a confirmation examination at the end of the lesson to determine if he/she will move to the new class.

LONDON SUMMER TRIP: Last summer some students and staff of the school visited Ghana on holiday. This time around, arrangement has been concluded for our student to visit London. We want to assure those who missed this trip that another one will come up next year.

IMPORTANT DATES:

1. Saturday 28th July, 2012 Graduation ceremony
2. Monday 6th August 2012 – Summer/Extension Class begins
3. Saturday 25th August –Entrance/Placement Test
4. Monday 27th & Thursday 28th August – Confirmation test for students promoted on trial
5. Friday 31st August,2012 – End of Summer Class
6. Monday 3rd September, 2012 – 2012 GCE begins
7. Sunday 16th September, 2012 – Resumption date for 2012/2013 session (hostel students)
8. Monday 17th September, 2012 – School reopens for 2012/2013 Academic work.
9. Wednesday 31st October, 2012 – Open day
10. Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd November – Mid - Term break
11. Monday 5th November, 2012 – 2nd Half of Term begins
12. Friday 14th December 2012 – End of 1st Term Vacation date

CONCLUSION: To all our students and Staff, I say have a fruitful holiday and stay close to the living God. Remain blessed in Jesus name.

Pastor Eze M.I
Principal