New Horizons College, Minna

End of Session Newsletter (2021/2022 Session)
Saturday 30th July, 2022 (30th Dhul Hajj, 1443AH)

If you don't like something, change it! If you can't change it, change your attitude- Maya Angelou

"Change is the law of life, And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future- John F. Kennedy

Assalamu Alaykum Wa Rahmatul-lah Wa Barakatuh.

Dear parents,

These are indeed trying times for this nation and its people, and it is important to hold on to the rope of Allah in such situations. We collectively must supplicate for Allah's mercy and protection against the hydra-headed monsters of insecurity and economic hardship.

Our prayer is for Allah to keep us all safe, protect us in our homes and out of it; protect our livelihood and sustenance, and grant us peace in this nation. May Allah cover us with His mercy and see us through this trial that has afflicted us as a nation.

Below are the highlights of this report:

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1. Calendar For 1st Term 2022/2023 Session (September-December 2022)

Saturday 17th September 2022 - Boarders resume

Monday 19th September 2022 - Day students resume

Saturday 24th September 2022 - JSS1 students resume/ Orientation

Friday 28th October 2022 - Students vacate for Mid-term break

Saturday 5th November 2022 - Students resume from Mid-term break

Saturday 3rd December 2022 - Virtual PTA General Meeting

Saturday 17th December 2022 - End of 1st Term/Vacation Day

2. Academic Activities

Alhamdulillah, the exams have come and gone. We are pleased to inform you that this end of school year results was the best in recent times! For the first time, the exam committee which takes hours on end to decide on results took just under an hour. Both individual and class results were very commendable, save for a very small number of individual results; even these showed remarkable improvements. All class averages were 70% and above save for one which was 69.33%. Please join us to commend our children when you receive their reports.

3. <u>Islamiyyah Report</u>

Please see Islamiyyah report separately inside the report sheet envelope.

4. Online Summer Lessons for SS1 and SS1 students

Before opening it out to students from other schools, our teachers in conjunction with the school management, are inviting you to enroll your wards who will be in SS1 and 2 in September 2022, for this initiative.

The subjects to be offered will include the following: Mathematics, English Language, Chemistry, Physics, Economics, History, Literature in English and Geography. Applicants will be allowed to offer a maximum of 6 subjects and a minimum of 5.

The projected starting date for the online summer lessons is Monday 15th August, 2022, and will end in sha Allah Friday 9th September, 2022.

The link will in sha Allah be sent via text message to all parents of SS1 and SS2 students. Parents who are interested can then go ahead to register their child or children. The fee will be sent along with the link for registration.

5. Confirmation Of Your Child's Resumption In September 2022

Every end of school year, the school goes out of its way to repeatedly remind parents about informing the school if their child or children will not return for the new school year. Unfortunately, many parents for one reason or the other, fail to inform the school until the school resumes for the session, and the registrar puts a call through to them to ask if their child is returning; it is only then we get the information that the child will not be returning!

This attitude is most unfair as it denies applicants on the admissions waiting list their fair chance of becoming students of the school; this also robs the school of income needed to fully implement its proposed budget.

This matter has been discussed at the PTA Exco level, also contained in the Principal's PTA General Meeting Report, and the information on the proposed action communicated to parents through the Principal's End of Term Newsletter, that henceforth, we will not be issuing any transcripts or transfer certificates to any child whose parents fail to inform the school by mid-August that he or she will not be returning to the school, without such parent making a payment on loss of income to the school of N100,000 for boarders and N50,000 for day students.

6. Students to resume in September 2022 with their uniforms

In sha Allah, our intention is to be able to distribute the new sets of uniforms withing two to three weeks of resumption. However, before that, we expect students to resume with their old uniforms pending the issuance of the new set of uniforms to them.

7. Opportunity for NHC students to acquire calligraphy skills

Qalbsaleem Muhammad of Qalbigraphy proposes to teach a course i.e Brush Calligraphy for Beginners to students of New Horizons College, Minna. The purpose of the 6 week training will be to encourage a love for art and self-expression through brush calligraphy.

The training will include 6 modules; Introduction, Mindset Prep, Understanding the tools,

Basic Strokes, Letters, and finally Words & Sentences.

Some of the benefits includes: students who become very skilled can start their own

businesses, students can teach others, students can leverage this skill to create Islamic

Art, etc.

Parents who are interested in having their child benefit from this, should do the following:

Make a payment of N27,500 (actual cost is 35,000) to Qalbsaleem Muhammad

Tijjani, Zenith bank, account number 2255590693

Send evidence of payment to the WhatsApp number 07089838522 and name of

student.

Once payment is confirmed, you will be sent a registration form for the course.

In conclusion, I want to thank all parents who stuck with us in spite of their concerns about

insecurity in parts of Niger State. In sha Allah, we will continue to make the security of

your children a priority.

Wassalamu alaykum

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Principal