



## ST JOSEPH'S INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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### Grade 9 and 10 Class Assembly—World Environment Day

## RE DEPARTMENT

### **First Holy Communion Mass for Grades 4, 5 and 6:**

**Day/Date: Sunday 11th June 2023**

**Venue: St Joseph Parish, BOROKO**

**Time: 11:00am**

**Recipients Assembly Area: Peace Theatre at 10: 00 am**

**Celebrant: Fr. John Curtis, CP**

### **SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

Grades 9 & 10 with their teachers hosted our Secondary School assembly on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2023 this week. This occasion was used as an opportunity to celebrate and educate our student population about the World Environment Day, on the theme – BEAT PLASTIC POLLUTION, with interesting item presentations to encourage and inform every one of the issues and concerns about our environment.

It was emphasized at this assembly to come together to combat one of the great environmental challenges of our time, calling for everyone to consider how we can make changes in our everyday lives to reduce the heavy burden of plastic pollution on our natural places, our wildlife – and our own health. While plastic has many valuable uses, we have become over reliant on single-use or disposable plastic – with severe environmental consequences. Let us all be part of this movement to look after our mother earth.

### **Use of Gadgets and Learning in School**

Technology has affected and changed the way people live and it has made people's lives more proficient and at ease. Whilst we can embrace the technology and its use in improving our lives, it is also important to be aware of the negative effects it can have, especially on our students, on learning and school, when the frequency of the use of gadgets such as the mobile phones are not supervised and monitored. We have seen in students here at school:

Lose of focus in their learning.

Decreased concentration, participation and productivity in class.

Late submission of homework and assignments.

Decreased level of motivation in learning at school because they are tired and sleepy in class.

We, therefore, would like to seek parental support to ensure our students are maximizing their time at home completing homework, assignments, studying for tests, exams at the end of this term and preparing well for school each day.

## Mobile Phone Ban and Laptop Policy

Mobile phones and personal Laptops are not permitted at school. However, occasionally there are students who require a mobile phone with them for after school use in order to contact parents. Please notify teachers concern if this is the case. Personal Laptops are also not permitted at school. When assessment tasks or a particular planned lesson requires a laptop or mobile phone, teachers will inform Student Welfare Office of use of laptop and mobile phone in school. All mobile phones and personal laptops are to be handed to the Student Welfare Office on arrival at school and collected at the end of the day from the office. **Under no circumstances is the phone or personal laptop to be kept in a school bag or used during school hours.**

## Condolence Message & Acknowledgement

We convey our condolence message, on behalf of the college, to four of our staff members who lost their love ones. We thank everyone for the support in prayer and kind during this time of their loss. We were truly a College of Faith and family.

## College Annual Rugby Union Festival – 2023 Event Information

We will end our term 2 teaching and learning with our 2023 annual rugby union festival in week 10 Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Our students with their teachers have been preparing well for this event, excited and looking forward for the day. The Aim of our Rugby Union Festival is to:

Assist in the achievement of some millennium Development goals

Promote cross-curriculum outcomes

Help our students learn about the code values on: integrity, passion, solidarity, discipline and respect.

Provide an opportunity for our students to take on roles and responsibilities to stage an event.

Promote gender equality

Motivate our students to attend school and improve academic achievement

Promote active and healthy lifestyles and

Grow our students' interest and participation in rugby union.



## Expectations and Information for the Rugby Union Festival:

**Attendance:** The upcoming rugby union festival is a normal school day and all students are to attend this event to participate either as a player, water runners, catering officer or to cheer for their class team. If your child is sick and is not able to attend on this day, please notify their homeroom teacher for his/her attendance to be marked accordingly.

### Programme

7:45am	Arrival of students at the Bava Park (Rugby Union Field) opposite Bavaroko Primary. The entry to Bava Park will be the Rita Flynn Gate, to where the cricket and Bisini soccer fields are. Drop off and pick-up will be in front of the Rugby Union Office.
8:00 am	All students are expected to be at their class teams designated area by 8am for roll check by their homeroom teachers and to organize for the games. We ask our supportive parents to ensure children are on time to prepare for the festival. Parents/guardians who wish to watch their child(ren) play will report to parents/guardians designated area at the main grand stand. We only allow parents who will be assisting to be with their child(ren) class teams. Entry to the game's venue will be closed by 8:30am for security reasons.
8:20 am	Opening Prayer
8:30am	Games start
3:00pm	End of all games. Dismissal Time

### Attire

All class teams are expected to turn up on the day well attired in their class team uniform, organized by their class managers, coaches with the support of their homeroom teachers and sponsors. Class teams without sponsors for uniform this year are expected to come in their gold and brown PE T-shirt and shorts and to wear a hat at all times unless out on the field playing.

### Lunch

We encourage student managers of the class teams, with the support of their homeroom teachers and sponsors to ensure their teams have enough, water, fruit and lunch organized. Our grade 12 fundraising team will also be at the Bava Park selling assorted soft drinks and water, hotdogs, kebabs, cakes & pastries, donuts, biscuits, ice-cream & T 'shakes throughout the day. Please come around to this stall to support our grade 12s on that day.

### Events

Our classes will be participating in the gold level of the code as per the rugby union code development guidelines: Grades 7 -10 – Gold Level (7 a side grab Rugby) and grade 11&12 – Gold Level (Full 15 a side – contact rugby.)

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**Conduct**

**For Players**

All students participating in playing are reminded of the following conduct to:

Play for enjoyment.

Play hard and strive to win within the laws of the game

Work equally hard for yourself and your team – thus your teams` performance will benefit as well as your own.

Treat all other players, as you yourself would wish to be treated.

Play by the rules, never argue with an official, referee or other players. Let the coach or manager sort out any problems.

You must cooperate with coaches, team mates and opponents. Without them you do not have a game.

Learn to win with grace and lose with dignity. Be modest in success and appreciate your opponents` performance, even when defeated.

Thank the opponent team at the end of the game as should the referee and officials who have made the game possible.

**For Officials**

A member, coach or official shall not at any time act in a manner detrimental towards the game or the spirit of Rugby Union.

All class teams managers must take reasonable steps to ensure that class team players, officials, and supporters do not act in a manner detrimental towards the game or the spirit of Rugby Union.

During the course of, or after a match a class team member, player, coach, official, supporter or any other person associated with a class team, shall not abuse or address a referee or a touch judge in insulting terms, or act in an intimidating manner towards a referee or a touch judge.

**For Spectators**

Show respect for your own team`s opponents. Without them there would be no game.

Condemn the use of violence in all forms.

Respect the referee`s decisions. If there is any concern about a referee`s decision or any other aspect of the game, it should be raised with your child`s coach. Under no circumstances is the official`s honesty or judgement to be questioned in public.

All students are expected to behave responsibly and respectfully to ensure the success of this year`s Rugby Union Festival. Any unacceptable behavior reported to teachers will be noted and dealt with using our Discipline Procedures early Term 3.

**Reminder**

Students are discouraged from bringing expensive items such as mobile phones and cameras on the event day. Rugby games brings with it lot of excitement and these items can easily go missing and school will not be responsible for replacing any lost items at the Bava Park – Rugby Union Field. Parents and homeroom teachers assisting class teams are reminded to be vigilant in supervision to avoid any irregularities on that day.

We encourage all our parents to be on time to pick up your child (ren). Students who will wait for their pick-up at end of our festival, will be informed to report to the pick-up area, in front of the Rugby Office, where our college securities and appointed staff will be there to supervise. Students who disrespect this duty of care and safety guideline by leaving without their pick up, will be dealt with using Discipline Procedures as well early Term 3. Parents / guardians can check at the school to pick up their child after 4:00pm.

## Term 2 Exams Information

Exams Schedule - Week 10 (19 – 22 June Monday to Thursday)

	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Wednes- day 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June
Grade 7	Normal Les- sons	RE	Social Science	Science	
Grade 8	Normal Les- sons	Maths Bahasa	English English	Bahasa Social Science	
Grade 9	Social Science	Science Science	Maths Maths	RE English	
Grade 10	RE Social Science	IT Science	PDHPE English	BS Maths	Rugby Un- ion Festival
Grade 11	PDHPE RE	IT Bio/Geo	BS English	RE Maths	
Grade 12	Chem Bio/Geo Maths	IPT/BS NSW Physics Physics/Eco	Physics/Eco Chem/Hist IPT/BS	English	

## Exam Reminders

Exam Preparations - Students need to prepare at all times and most especially for examinations. Kindly encourage your child to prepare as early as possible, assist with his study timetable, check his notes and revision materials and most importantly remove all possible disturbances (gadgets) that will not at all help and so your child can focus to study.

Morning exam starts at 8:00 am. Please drop your child before 7:50 am.

Home time -- Monday to Wednesday - ALL grades - 2:50 pm.

Home time – Thursday Grades 7 – 10 - 12: 30 pm

Grade 11- 12CH - 11 am.

Term 2 Break and Term 3 Commencement Dates

Term 2 Break - 2 weeks

Term 3 commences on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> July.

## Public Holiday

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June is a normal working day. Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> June will be a public holiday to observe King's Birthday.**

## Month of May Para Liturgy



**Mrs Hua Igo**  
Principal – Primary

**Mr George Swamy**  
Principal - Secondary School