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NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS & GUARDIANS

#05/21 – 4th June 2021

Dear Parents/Carers/Students and Staff,

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The celebration of the First Holy Communion of St. Joseph's International Catholic College is scheduled on Sunday, 6 June 2021, 11:00 am at St. Joseph's Parish Boroko. Seventy-nine (79) students from Grade 4, Grade 5 and Grade 8 altogether were thoroughly prepared for the Sacrament.

Parents of the recipients are reminded that Assembly time is at 10:00 am at the Peace Theatre.

The celebrants are Fr. John Pulpulio, MSC and Fr. Joseph Liaia, CP.

Every good and perfect gift is from above. (James 1:17)

Please let us pray for them.

2021 Queen's Birthday Holiday Date – Monday 14 June 2021

The Gazetted information we received states Monday 14 June 2021 as the date for Queen's Birthday Public Holiday this year.

2021 Semester 1, Report Collection Day, Primary School, Pupil-Free Day

Please note in your diary **Friday 25 June 2021** is a **Pupil-Free** day for all students in the Primary School. The teachers will issue Semester 1 Student Progress Reports on that day. Further information on the date and venue to collect your child's report will be sent during Week 9, Term 2.

Grade 10 Written Expression Examination

All our Grade 10 students sat this exam yesterday, Thursday 3 June. The exam lasted two hours. 8.30am to 10.30am, supervised by an external invigilator. The students went home after the exam. Thank you to all teachers for their efforts in preparing our students to sit this exam, and also thank you to all parents for supporting your child to come and participate yesterday.

Grades 7 – 12 End of Term Examinations - Week 10

This is a kind reminder to all parents and guardians to assist your child prepare for the end of term examinations. This will be held in Week 10, 21 – 25 June.

Examination is an important component of your child's internal assessments so kindly encourage your child to prepare early and study well.

Exam schedule will be prepared and available next week for your guide.

Grade 9 FIRST AID COURSE BY ST JOHN AMBULANCE

Our grade 9 students were fortunate enough to undertake the Basic First Aid course for the whole day on Monday 31st May. The course was sponsored by the Sir Brian Bell Foundation and was conducted by two officers from St John Ambulance.

The course covered areas of basic first aid, CPR and emergency first aid and practical sessions which built the students' confidence and ability to apply the hands-on skills they acquired.

The students will be given a Certificate on Basic First Aid by St John's Ambulance and they can apply their basic first aid knowledge and skills gained when necessary.

On behalf of the college, we thank St John Ambulance for providing this opportunity for our Grade 9 students to participate in this course.

2021 NAPLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL – YEAR 3, YEAR 5, YEAR 7 and YEAR 9 STUDENT PARTICIPATION

This year's NAPLAN Tests were administered last week.

Year 3 and 5: Our attendance records show 99% of students in Grade 5 and 97 % of students in Grade 3 sat for the NAPLAN Tests this year. Students who were absent on the Tests' days due to illness were given an opportunity to do the missed tests on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm and Friday morning, 8:00 am -12:00 noon.

Year 7 and 9: Attendance in both grades was excellent. Grade 7 attendance was all complete while only one was recorded absent in Grade 9.

Overall, the NAPLAN tests was conducted successfully last week. You will be informed when Naplan results are available.

All test papers were checked thoroughly, packed and sent on Friday 28th May to Australia.

We would like to thank the parents and guardians for your extensive support for ensuring your child's participation.

2021 TERM 2 SCHOOL WEEK DATES

We have three more weeks left for this term.

Week 8: Monday 7 June – Friday 11 June

Week 9: Tuesday 15 June – Friday 18 June

Week 10: Monday 21 June – Friday 25 June

We wish you all a safe and peaceful weekend.

Thank you

George Anthony Swamy

Acting Executive Director/Principal Secondary