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Welcome to Lead International School's Yearly Newsletter!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Warm greetings to you All.

We are excited to share with you a comprehensive overview of our school activities and events throughout this concluding academic year, 2023/2024.

We started this academic year on 4th September 2023, and closing it today on 28th June 2024. We therefore take this opportunity to thank you dear parents/guardians for the cooperation and support rendered throughout this entire year.

Academics:

our students have been thoroughly taught and assessed in various areas in their respective syllabi to check on their level of achievement throughout the year. Great thanks to our dedicated staff who are always working tirelessly to complete the syllabus and also meet the demands of the Cambridge curriculum. All classes have been given their report cards which reflects their progress academically during the course of the year.

A few challenges we registered in the course of the year, especially some students whose parents would not provide Cambridge work books impacting their performance. This year we managed and will continue to engage the respective parents accordingly.

Candidates

Our candidates (G6,8,10) sat for their final exams in April (April-May series) at the Kimihurura campus. We experienced the ICGCSE exams for the first time in our school. Thanks to the support given by the parents to make the registration and examination exercise successful. The next year's exams will be smoothly and effectively organized within our new secondary section premises.

Results

As we write to you now, we are extra excited to inform you that we have already received the G6 & G8 results. All of our learners not only passed the exams but also excelled with outstanding results.

Let's keep praying for the remaining results of G10 (IGCSE) which we hope will be excellent. Great thanks to the students and the teachers once again. Your outstanding support and guidance are very much appreciated dear parents.

Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE):

With the help of teachers, our PLE students are getting super ready for their Exams and they will be starting on 8th 10th.July.2024. We therefore request parents to continue supporting the candidates (G6) in these last days till they finish their PLE exams.

Parent-Teacher conference:

We had our parent-teacher conference after every mid-term exam of each term, where the class teacher and the parents meet to pave ways for the academic progress of the learners. Thanks to those parents who are always present to track the performance of the learners. This is among the contributing factors to the high performance this year. 'Keep it up'

Students' leadership:

In Term two –the school staff worked closely with the students; held elections on several posts and now we have a students' leadership board both for Secondary and Primary section. This is another way of empowering our students. 'We learn, serve and lead'

School trip.

At the end of term two our students had school trips out of the school where the nursery and lower primary went to ACACUS-Kabeza on 21st March 2024 and upper primary and secondary went to Rubavu on 22ND March 2024. The students had lots fun and also a lot was learnt and discovered during the trips.

Multi-cultural day:

We had our first cultural day on 10th. May, 2024. This was a great opportunity to showcase several cultures embraced amongst ourselves where each class had to represent a nation with its cultural dance, food and language. Apart from the excitement, this was a learning experience for our students.

Sports and games activities

Besides the classroom activities we also engaged our students in various activities, this is majorly intended to tap all their talents. we engaged in the debate competition with some schools within Kigali city, hosted Teletubbies nursery and primary school (Uganda), also hosted GS Kinynya at our sports Arena for a friendly match. There are other games like swimming, volley ball Ludo and MDD. We have already developed strong teams of different games which are really competitive, therefore next academic year we shall move out to show case our potentials to different learning institutions.

PTA and parents' meetings

The PTA and the parents' meetings are always held periodically and sometimes on short notice depending on demand, we therefore appreciate all the parents/guardians who amidst your tight schedules, spare time for the meetings and give in constructive ideas and suggestions. Your positive ideas, guidance and suggestions make us realize our areas of weakness and strength and hence improve/change where necessary; this is the main reason we (LIS) are flying high in the air. We can't thank you more but we request you to continue attending the meetings and actively participate and give ideas. We also welcome timely advice and suggestions even before meetings. The next PTA will be communicated together with the academic calendar and we expect it earlier within the academic year to receive earlier advise and corrective action as we parent together.

Transport.

For the safety of our learners, effectiveness and efficiency of the school programs, we had a reliable transport for our students throughout the year, even though we encountered some challenges which seemed inevitable at some point. Most of the challenges were encountered in term III where we had to shift all our students who were using the Kimihurura campus to Kinyinya as a temporary measure in order to create room for the candidates for checkpoint and IGSC exams. We will continue to improve our transportation services and respective parents will be informed in case of cost implications.

Infrastructure and development;

- **Secondary section**

The secondary section building is 90% complete as of now, and will be ready to accommodate all our secondary students come next year scheduled to start in September. This building will have whatever is required for a conducive academic environment to the secondary section in addition to the competent and motivated teachers. Your continued support dear parents is highly appreciated. Big thanks to those who have already registered their students in G7-G11 to continue with the excellent education journey but also cost effective.

End- of –Year Activities:

Prom:

In the history of our school, we had a prom for our candidates, the first ever on the 22nd. June.2024; thanks to the parents who put in their resources, the organizers and the students who participated actively to make the day colorful. All candidates after a long study experience and all the sacrifices, they were excited to have a refreshment time with each other as they walk on a red carpet with smiles on. It is such a great moment of their lives to celebrate with each other upon reaching this milestone.

Please reach out on our social media platforms provided below and witness what inspired on the prom day.

Graduation and closing day

We are delighted to inform you once more that we are closing the academic year today on 28th June 2024.

The end of year activities includes the graduation party for the candidates (G6,8,10 and nursery 3), giving out of the report cards for all classes. This day is very special and remarkable as it marks a new level for each of these students and that is why everybody joins them to celebrate this milestone of their lives.

Summer holiday:

As you are well aware that every year summer holiday takes place and this year, it is scheduled to start on 8th /July/2024. To all those interested please reach to our school principal. students are free to join at any time of their convenience as costs will be apportioned based on timing.

Academic year class photo;

Our students took group photos with their fellows and class teachers. This is intended to keep the photo diary for remembrance. Therefore, every class photo is available at school. Please reach out to class teachers for the individual learner's photo.

School fees

Basing on the global financial crisis and inflation which has caused price increment on most of the commodities, upon discussion with the PTA committee, some increments have been made on school dues in order to meet the costs and provide necessary, quality and deserved services to our students as well as maintaining the required standards. You will realize that LIS is still below the industry regardless of the better services both social and academic. Details of the school fee's structure can be accessed from the administration while a soft copy will be sent to your emails and also on our school website.

Once again thank you for your continued support, cooperation and above all being part of the *Lead International School* family.

Enjoy the holiday!!

Yours faithfully,

Principal

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