



FIRM FOUNDATION

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Preparing students for success in a changing world

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

RE: Pre- Opening Newsletter

We hope to find you well, please take note of the following notices for the upcoming term.

Schools opening

School will commence on Tuesday 5 September 2023. All boarder students to check in as follows:

Sunday 03 Sept- Seniors: form 3 ,4, 5 and 6

Monday 04 Sept- Junior: form 1 and 2

Fees

Parents are implored to ensure that 80% of the fees are paid on before opening day of school. The 20 % remainder is excepted to be paid by the 7th of October 2023. Timely payments will warrant the smooth running of the school operations. Boarder parents must get clearance from the administrators before proceeding to their various hostels. Day scholar learners will only be allowed in class once they get pass from the admin.

Boarders groceries must be adequate as per list that will be flighted in the boarders groups.

All students **must** bring a ream of bond paper, this is very essential for learners worksheets and day to day school work.

NB: All writing classes to bring 2 reams each (Forms 4 and 6)

Girls new hostel

We are proud to inform you that we have a new girls hostel, the girls from Carrick(Forms 2,3,and 5) will relocate to a more spacious hostel. This will help decongest blue roof boys hostel in the upcoming year as the new hostel will accommodate all girls. Location will soon be shared on the groups.

Laundry fees

The school will continue to provide laundry service at \$20 per month or \$60 per term. All those interested in the laundry service can make payments at the administration office. To avoid inconveniences laundry receipts must be given to students and or submitted to boarding house parents.

Medical aid cards and fees

All boarder students must bring in their medical aid cards, an additional \$10 should be paid together with school fees, and this is for reserve purposes.

Gadgets

Forms 3 to 6 are allowed to bring laptops. No cell phones are allowed, parents please help observe and adhere to school requests this is for the positive development of the learners.

Boarders tuck

Kindly be advised that we do not allow pork products, tined foods, zapnax, fizzy drinks and sweets including mints and Halls. All prohibited items will be confiscated.

Uniforms

Its summers season again; learners must revert to the summer uniform. Girls will wear the formal skirt, blouse and jersey. The boys will continue to wear the black trousers, short-sleeved shirts and neckties. Blazers are compulsory; learners will be expected to wear the blazer on two days of the week.

In order to maintain school standards, the school is going to practices strict measures on wrong wearing of school uniforms. Parents are encouraged to ensure that the students wear the correct blouses, jerseys, school socks and shoes. We have noted with concern students wearing plain blouses or shirts without logo, improper shoes and socks.

No extra clothing items from home will be accepted.

Uniforms labelling

All uniform items must be labelled clearly. Our uniforms shop labels any item at \$1 per clothing item.

Swimwear

We will commence swimming lessons this term. All swimwear must be strictly purchased from the uniforms shop. Leaners without appropriate swimwear as per the new required attire will not be permitted to swim.

Tennis

We will have tennis; all students interested in tennis must bring a racquet

Work suits and hoes

Agriculture students must have a hoe and navy /royal blue work suit. All students will have a practical once per week and will be required to have the hoe and work suit, this will go a long way in achieving the desired outcome.

Uniforms price list

1	Skirt	25
2	Blouse with	15
3	Shirt	15
4	Trousers	15
5	Tracksuit	45
6	Short	10
7	T-shirt	12
8	Work suit	15
9	Blazer	60
10	Church dress	20
11	Jersey	20
12	Swimwear	20

Hairstyles

Girls braids must be shoulder length knotless or twist. Cornrows must have a centre bridge. Boys must have a formal brush cut. No funny hairstyles will be tolerated.

Upcoming events

End of year examination

Zimsec and Cambridge end of year examinations timetable will be shared out by end of first week. We would like to encourage the writing classes to soldier on, for there is a reward at the end. A prayer retreat for candidates will be held on 29 September to 01 October more details to follow. Retreat estimate price is \$30 per child

Dubai trip

The school is planning to have a Dubai Trip in April 2024 all parents interested in having their children participating in this trip can inbox the admin. This is for planning purposes, as part of the booking process requires the proposed number of students. Trip estimate cost is \$1 580; payments can be staggered.

Prefects camp

A Prefects camp will be held on 08 to 10 September following which a swearing ceremony will be conducted. Prefects camp cost is \$25. Camp payments deadline is Wednesday 6 September.

Other events**Consultation day**

Form 3 and 5 consultations will be held to discuss pre-writing classes strategies and learning approach.

Opening week of spiritual emphasis

To ensure that students uphold our principles the school will have the spiritual week of emphasis, learners will also have bible study guides this term we will focus on the sanctuary message.

Arts and Sciences fair

The school will host an arts and science fair, the fair is aimed at displaying arts and science projects and talents that we have in the school. Parents will be invited to come and support the learners in their career development paths.

Heart to heart talks

As per our culture, the school is organising a mother and daughter /Father and son bonding session. A Rainbow picnic will be held to facilitate this wonderful event. Its breast cancer awareness month and dress code for the event is pink or purple. Please prepare for the event in advance. Our proposed discussion topic this term is mental health.

Form four leavers luncheon

We will have a form four leavers luncheon to bid farewell to our form fours, dress code is smart casual and luncheon estimated cost is \$25.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Regards

Firm Foundation Christian Academy