10 February 2023

Dear Parents,

We warmly welcome our new teaching staff, ancillary staff, parents, and students for the 2023 Academic Year. We are thrilled to start our journey to reach new heights this year. We conducted an Induction Program and had several workshops and meetings with the teaching team for two weeks before the new academic year started. Following are our goals in 2023:

1. Project-based learning
2. Five students in the top ten, and the fifteen students in the top hundred in Grade 12 National Examinations
3. Using Class Dojo more frequently
4. Organizing an overseas trip
5. Organizing two parental seminars

Please pay attention to the following:

**ORIENTATION PROGRAM**

You should be aware of the expectations, the procedures, and the programs implemented at school to support your child(ren) at home better. Therefore, we are organizing an “Orientation Program” from 15:00 to 17:00 at Apec House on Sunday, Feb 19. The program is only for new parents who joined us in the 2023 Academic Year in Primary and High School. However, we also welcome our returning parents if they wish to join the program. Since we present similar information annually, we thought that the program might be a repetition for returning parents. Please indicate your presence for the program by filling up the slip at the end of the letter and returning it to the class patron by latest on Friday, Feb 15. The program outline is:

15:00 – 16:00 Presentations

16:00 – 16:20 Q & A

16:20 – 17:00 Meeting with class patrons and subject teachers

**NATIONAL EXAM RESULTS**

Department of Education has ranked permitted schools based on their performance in the National Examinations annually. In Gr 10 and 12, we stood first among all the permitted schools. However, if all the schools were ranked together, we would be the first school in Gr 10 and fourth in Gr 12 National Examinations in PNG, and the first school in Gr 8 in POM. Congratulations to hard-working students, supportive parents, and committed teachers for the amazing results!

**UNIFORMS AND TEXTBOOKS**

New uniforms have arrived. Apart from the formal uniforms, we also have printed casual polo shirts in different colors, and they are on sale. Cambridge textbooks will be arriving on Sunday, Feb 12. After clearing the custom, the delivery will be done during week four. Even though we gave the order in July and made the payment, due to a shortage of foreign currency, the money was transferred towards the end of November 2022 which caused the delay.

**EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Extra-curricular activities make school a fun place to learn. Students can showcase their talents and skills to become better academically and socially. It is also vitally important for parents to attend and watch such activities to support and encourage the students. Our activity calendar for term one is as follows:

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|  | | **HIGH SCHOOL** | **PRIMARY** | **PRE-SCHOOL** |
|  | **WEEK** |  |  |  |
| **TERM 1** | **1** |  |  |  |
| **2** |  |  | PARENTS’ ORIENTATION |
| **3** | PARENTS’ ORIENTATION | |  |
| **4** | FUTSAL LEAGUE | |  |
| **5** | TEST 1 |  |  |
| **6** | ANIS ESSAY/INT'L WOMEN'S DAY | ANIS ESSAY |  |
| **7** | PTC | | PARENTS’ DAY |
| **8** |  | WORLD WATER DAY |  |
| **9** | FINAL EXAMS | |  |
| **10** | SPELLING BEE | |  |

**STUDENT COUNSELLOR**

The school has a student counselor. Ms. Melvinda B. Biari has a degree in Community & Human Services Concentration, Family Systems from Siena Heights University, Michigan, USA. She has experience working as a counselor in various institutions in POM. She will provide counseling for the students and staff.

I hope you and your child(ren) will experience a memorable and exciting 2023 with us.

Best regards,

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Principal

“Great schools never stop evolving.”

I, hereby, confirm my presence for the Orientation Program.

Parent Name :

Student Name and Grade :