

END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

As we come to the end of another term and year, it is that time again when we take stock of what has happened and look forward to a New Year. The Acacian Brand of KUVIMBIKA/HUNHU/KUZVIPIRA continues to grow and thanks go to all the stakeholders for making it happen.

SWIMMING: The pool was always a hive of activity, in the hot weather and at our Inter-House Gala Muwunga triumphed as the school team came up tops at the Inter-School completion we hosted. Our thanks to the coach for taking the fear of water out of the swimmers.

PHYSICAL FITNESS: We held three sessions during the term and hope they will continue to be supported going forward.

PLC MEETINGS: Mr Matarino and the PLC held three meetings and have plans to do one or two things before the first Annual General Meeting next term.

END OF YEAR EXAMS: Those went as planned and teachers were generally pleased with the progress the children

made. The results helped them in selecting Prize winners on our Prize Giving Day.

ECD GRADUATION/PRIZE GIVING: Our inaugural Prize Giving and ECD Graduation was graced by Deputy Minister of Primary and Secondary Education Professor Paul Mavhima (standing in for Minister Lazarus Dokora) who publicly expressed his appreciation of the work being done at Acacia Junior School. From the Board Chair Rtd Brig. Elasto Madzingira, to the staff. "As a Board, we indeed feel proud of what they show cased. We know that what they



showed was a small window of what they actually do. As a Board we applaud the commitment and professionalism of the staff. After a year of sailing in uncharted

waters we can safely declare that the **ACACIAN DREAM** is achievable."

FUN DAY: Classes had a ball with the activities planned for them by the teachers and your support was evident on the day.

OUTREACH PROGRAMME: We picked on St Joseph's House for the boys, an orphanage in Belvedere. With about \$200 from CIVVIES Day collections, groceries, stationery and toiletries were bought plus additions from your pantries AJS supported the less privileged. Thanks to Grade 3 and Mrs Munyukwi who went to present the gifts.

CLASS PARTIES/CAROL NIGHT: Our children learnt to share with others in their class parties and thank you for providing the food. The Carol Evening had the calming effect bringing the curtain down to our eventful first year! Is the worst over, we wonder?

WARNING ON HAIR DOS: "Only 100 line or Free hand" is permissible for the girls while boys it should be short and brushable with no startling hairstyles permitted.

TERMINAL DATES:

TERM 1/2017; 10 January – 22 March

Exeat Weekend: 17th – 20th February inclusive.

TERM 2/2017: 2nd May – 3rd August (TBC)

TERM 3/2017: 5th September - 7th

December (TBC)

OUTSTANDING FEES: Please you are required to pay all fees at the agreed terms. "Re-enrolment takes place at the end of each year and those who fail to pay fees as agreed are deemed to have de-enrolled their child out of the school for the following year and their place is considered vacant." Please be guided accordingly.

GLIMPSE INTO 2017:

- Enrollment is up to Grade 5 and hope to reach beyond the 100 pupils in Term 1.
- We hope to have an additional teacher in ICT.
- We hope all children will have personal classmate computers.
- The school will have its own school bus and with it a bus levy will be introduced.
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Clubs and foreign languages to be started.

- Afternoon sports get underway.
- All weather surface for various sports envisioned.

All above can be possible due to our supportive Board and you parents being willing partners. From AJS we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

Please remind the pupils: READING IS THE KEY AND THE KEY IS READING!

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HEADMASTER