



**ARCHDIOCESE OF ONITSHA**  
**ST. CHARLES COLLEGE**  
**P.M.B. 1718, ONITSHA, ANAMBRA STATE**



**NEWSLETTER, THIRD TERM 2020/2021 ACADEMIC SESSION**

**To Parents and Guardians, at the end of the Third Term of the 2021/2022 Academic Session**

**1. Introduction**

Greetings, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, from the management and staff of St. Charles' College, Onitsha. The third term of the 2021/2022 academic session formally ended on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022. However, our students are already several days into their long vacation having been allowed to return home immediately after third term examinations on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. This was done principally to facilitate an enabling atmosphere for our SS3 students who were continuing their NECO examinations. Our hearts are full of gratitude to God for his blessings all through the past term and indeed through the 2021-2022 academic year. We are also prayerfully hopeful of even more blessings during the next session. As always, we entrust our school, students, staff and you, parents of our students to His loving care as we strive to emerge stronger than ever from the challenges of these fluid times.

**2. Academic Matters**

**i. Third Term Examinations**

The third term examinations were held as scheduled between Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022. Before their departure for holidays, students were asked to check for their results using their permanent PIN cards starting from August 2<sup>nd</sup>. That you are reading this newsletter means that you have been able to access yours. We congratulate you, hopeful that your child got a fair result. Results of students who are indebted to the school in any way have been withheld. Withheld results will not be released before September 2022 even if debts are liquidated earlier.

**ii. BECE**

The exit examinations for JS3 students took place from 29<sup>th</sup> June to 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022. The conduct of the examination was successful. We are hopeful for an outstanding result. Meanwhile a total of 180 students have been invited to process their registration into the senior secondary for SS1. They will be joined by about 20 new students who were successful at our entrance examinations and subsequent interviews.

**iii. WAEC AND NECO Examinations**

Our exiting students successfully concluded their WAEC examinations in June. The results are still being expected. However, disruptions to the academic calendar occasioned by Covid-19 pandemic continue to upset the school calendar. Hence, the 2022 NECO examinations will run until the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of August, weeks beyond the academic session. This has meant that school send-off of graduating students could not be held before the end of the session. This will come up during the first term of the next session.

**iv. Holiday Exercises**

Each student has been assigned a PIN which will give access to *EDUGAME* programme for educational exercises designed in line with their schemes of work. Parents are encouraged to urge

the student to make use of this programme by availing them of the devices (phone or laptop) they will need to do the exercises.

Additionally, students are required to do the exercises in the CBT link of the results portal. The exercises will attract some marks.

### 3. Sanitation and Healthcare

Significant efforts were made during the just ended term to improve the quality and scope of healthcare delivery at the school clinic. However, some students still have unpaid bills for services received. Parents are advised to confirm their son's indebtedness and to clear such to ensure continuation of quality services to all students. As already stated above, results of debtors have been withheld.

A routine general fumigation of the school premises will be carried out during the during the second week of September, shortly before students' resumption for the next academic session to address nagging issues associated with the rainy season. Parents are advised to also fumigate clothing, furniture and personal items which their wards will bring back to school to avoid reintroducing undesirable bugs. Parents are further advised to make anticipatory provision of safe insecticides for their children's private use as may be needed.

#### ⇒ Items to be submitted by returning students on resumption day:

Students are to submit sanitation items at check-in on resumption day as follows:

#### JS 2 & 3

- i. 1kg pack of Sunlight detergent
- ii. 1 big toilet tissue roll

#### SS 2 & 3

- i. 1 litre bottle of Z-germicide
- ii. 1 big toilet tissue roll

### 4. Financial Matters

We are thankful to you, parents of our students, for entrusting your sons to our care and diligently making financial provisions for their sustenance. We are mindful that the galloping recessionary economy of these times has put many of you in situations of financial embarrassment. Similarly, operating a boarding school has become increasingly challenging, necessitating a slight adjustment to our school fees. We request prompt payment of the school fees as well as other financial obligations to facilitate planning and optimal service. Full payment of school fees will be required from each student before re-entry for the first term of the 2022-2023 academic session.

#### ⇒ First Term School Fees

School fees for the 1<sup>st</sup> term are as follows:

Class	Amount
JS 1, 2 & 3	<b>₦66,500.00</b>
SS 1 & 2	<b>₦69,500.00</b>
SS 3	<b>₦222,000.00</b>

Payment of school fees may be made through E-Bills to St Charles' College, Onitsha at any commercial bank or to St Charles' College, Onitsha at Oluchukwu Micro-Finance Bank, Account Number: 1210202132.

Evidence of full payment of school fees (teller or receipt) MUST be shown at the school gate before re-entry for the 2021-2022 academic session. \*Please indicate clearly on the bank teller the surname and first name of the student as well as his class. E.g., OKAFOR CHARLES, JS2.

## **5. Other Important Information**

### **i. Visitation and Visiting Days**

The visiting day for students is the third Saturday of every month except during examinations. Visitors not allowed to meet with students on any other day for whatsoever reason. Please note particularly that **Sundays are not visiting days** in St Charles' College.

### **ii. New Students' Admission**

Entrance examinations and interviews for new students in JS1, JS2 and SS1 were concluded in July. Registration of the new students has also been carried out. Mop-up registrations will take place on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September.

## **6. Holiday Greetings**

As you enjoy the holiday interval between the end of one academic year and the beginning of another, the management and staff of St Charles' College wishes you, our esteemed parents and guardians, a happy reunion with your children. May God reward your efforts for a brighter and better tomorrow for our young ones.

Rev Fr Emma Emenu

Manager/Principal

### **Notable Dates in the 1<sup>st</sup> Term Calendar**

Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Return of student functionaries
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Pre-Resumption meetings
Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Return of all students to the hostel
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Resumption exercises/tests
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	PTD General Meeting
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	Midterm Tests
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Patronal Feast Day
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Midterm break
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> December	1 <sup>st</sup> term examinations
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> term