

June Newsletter 2022



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and best wishes to Jerlea Adderley on winning the 26th annual Bahamas Primary Student of Year Competition for 2022.

Jerlea was awarded a \$7,000.00 scholarship (REV Scholarship), a lap top and a medal.

The Foundation recognizes the best and brightest minds in our primary schools, the who's who in primary schools.

This year there were 102 nominees from the private and public schools representing New Providence, Grand Bahama, Abaco, Acklins, Andros, Berry Island, Bimini, Cat Island, Crooked Island, Eleuthera, Exuma, Inagua and Long Island.

HOW DO WE SAY GOODBYE



MISS LESLEY HUTCHINSON

Miss Lesley Hutchinson has served one year as Vice Principal at Sts. Francis & Joseph School having transferred from Xavier's Lower School. Miss Hutchinson will be the new Head of Religion Department, Aquinas College & Supervisor of Religious Education for Schools in September 2022. We thank her for her contributions to Sts. Francis & Joseph and to the student and staff communities. We wish her well in her new position.



MS. RAYETTE STRACHAN

Ms. Rayette Strachan has been employed with Catholic Education for twelve years. She has a Master of Science Degree in Curriculum and Instruction. Ms. Strachan has taught in various grade levels including Pre-K, Kindergarten, grade 2 and grade 4. She led the Spelling Bee Club and coached many of our top spellers. Ms. Strachan is being transferred to Xavier's Lower School. We thank her for her time in Shockersville and wish her all the best.



MRS. LATOYA FORBES

Mrs. Latoya Forbes joined Catholic Education in October 2011 as the Reading Specialist . She has a Bachelor of Science (Honors) Degree in Speech and Language Sciences. She also possesses a certification in Literacy.

Mrs. Forbes revolutionized the reading programme at Sts. Francis & Joseph School. She introduced Raz -Kids, an online reading app that encourages students to develop critical thinking and comprehension skills. She held reading challenges and reading award ceremonies. She transformed pajama night into a night of reading and entertainment, ending the nights with a grand performance by the Urban Renewal Marching Band. She was an integral part of the Shocker family.

We thank Mrs. Forbes for her ten (10) years of dedicated service. We are grateful for the many lives that she has helped to mold. We wish her well in her future endeavors.



MISS MARIA AJERO

Ms. Maria Ajero has spent almost twenty-five (25) years in Catholic education. She began her career in The Bahamas in September 1998. She spent twelve (12) years at Our Lady of the Holy Souls as a Pre-K teacher and transferred to Sts. Francis & Joseph School in 2010 in the same capacity.

"It has been a great pride and honor, to have served both Our Lady's and Sts. Francis & Joseph Catholic Schools. First and foremost, I love kids, and enjoy watching them learn and grow. What has been most memorable for me, is the joy of watching the little ones discover their first steps in life long learning. It is a rewarding "give and take", and an enriching symbiosis.

Though I am leaving, with mixed emotions, I am confident that these young lives that I've helped to mold, will become productive citizens of this beautiful country, The Bahamas. I am indeed grateful to Almighty God, for blessing me with the opportunity to be a part of Catholic Education. So I bid you farewell and it is my prayer that God will continue to bless this country and the Catholic educational system.. for truly, Catholic Schools light the way." - Maria Ajero

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Please be advised that students with outstanding balances will not receive any awards, trophies or report cards until the fees have been paid in full.

Please be reminded that first term fees are due June 30, 2022. The monthly payment plan is for **10 months ONLY**. The plan begins June 30 and ends March 30, 2023.

Only persons with a **zero balance** can enter into a new payment plan contract for the upcoming 2022-2023 academic year.

No balances will be carried forward into the new school year.

If you are interested in signing up for the payment plan, kindly email: jrussell@cec.edu.bs or sdurham@cec.edu.bs

School fee invoices have been emailed. Kindly send a copy of the online receipt or the paid invoice to the email addresses mentioned above.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

- 30 - Pre-K and Kindergarten Orientation (8:30a.m. - 12:00 noon)
- 30 Grade 5 Orientation (8:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m.)
- 31 - Grade 6 Orientation (8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)

Parent Meeting

- 30 - Grade 5 Parent Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- 31 - Grade 6 Parent Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**SCHOOL REOPENS ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1,
2022 FOR A FULL DAY OF CLASSES.**