

3RD, SEPTEMBER 2021

OSHWAL ACADEMY NAIROBI JUNIOR HIGH

ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022 TERM 1

WEEK 1



HEAD'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The school has come back to life after a long holiday. It is refreshing to see our students back to school and in good health. This week we welcomed the Year 7 students to Junior High. The little ones are very enthusiastic to start their high school journey at Junior High. I can assure you that the Year 7 students have settled rather quickly, and they are enjoying the new atmosphere of teaching and learning at Junior High.



I am also pleased to report that the new clubs have taken off at a high note. Students held their first session with the club facilitators this Wednesday and appreciated the practical skills that they are going to acquire. As earlier communicated, these skills are lifelong skills which can enhance knowledge that may be applicable to future careers. We shall endeavour to shop around for more relevant skills for the future.

May I also take this opportunity to acknowledge our former Year 11 candidates for their exceptional performance in 2021 IGCSE examinations. Indeed, the performance was a clear indication that with determination, vision, teamwork and sheer hard work, really, the sky is always the limit as the adage goes.

This term, we hope to inaugurate our new school library, Drama room and Music Room. We have purchased brand new musical instruments for the Music and Drama rooms and new consignments of novels and academic books for our new school library. We hope that these developments will inspire our students to develop their musical, drama and reading skills.

Finally, I would like to thank all parents for their solid support in Academic Year 2020/2021 and it is my sincere hope that the same will be extended into this Academic Year to enable us to achieve even better results and a much better teaching and learning environment.

Lastly, I would like to convey my heartfelt felicitations on the occasion of Prayushan. The school shall remain closed on 10th September 2021 on this occasion.

May God bless you all and look forward to a fruitful week 2.

Warm Regards,
Mrs. Kekul Patel

MESSAGE FROM TEACHING AND LEARNING COORDINATOR

We take this occasion to welcome all students back to school and more so the youngest class of Year 7 who reported to Junior High for the first time. We wish them a memorable stay at Junior High and hope that they will take all the opportunities in Junior High to fulfil their academic and social dreams.

We would like to share the assessment mode for Term 1. The assessment mode for Term 1 includes projects in some subjects for Years 7 to 9 and Mid Term Tests for Years 10 and 11. Towards the End of the Term, all Year Groups will sit for the End of Term Examinations.



ASSESSMENT MODE TABLE FOR TERM 1

YEARGROUP	ASSESSMENT MODE	SUBJECTS FOR PROJECTS
YEAR 7	Projects/ End Term Exams	English, Physics, History
YEAR 8	Projects/ End Term Exams	Biology, ICT, MFL 2, Art
YEAR 9	Projects/ End Term Exams	Maths, Chemistry, Geography, MFL 1
YEAR 10	Midterm Tests/ End Term Exams	Tests and Exams
YEAR 11	Midterm Tests/ End Term Exams	Tests and Exams

MESSAGE FROM HEAD PROCTOR'S DESK

As new academic session begins, on behalf of Proctors Team, we thank all the teachers, parents, and students for their support in the smooth running of the school.

During first week, we have some observations that need to be addressed promptly. We urge all the parents and students to go through the following:

1. Kindly revisit the school website (<https://junior.oshwalacademy.sc.ke>) to find students' code of conduct.
2. Some boys have fancy haircuts which is against the students' code of conduct, this needs to be taken care of during this weekend.
3. Some boys have been found with ear-studs/earrings. Kindly note that students wearing such ornaments will not be allowed in the school.
4. A few students have outgrown their school uniforms and that seems to affect their self-esteem as they walk around the school compound. Kindly make necessary arrangements to replace your child's school uniform as required.
5. Late arrival at school has a negative impact on your child's education. We urge you to ensure that your child arrives early enough in school. No student is allowed to enter the school gate after 07:50 am.
6. Make sure to pick up your children at appropriate time as shared to you.
7. Kindly help your children with a healthy break-time and lunch-time meals. It is important to note that only vegetarian food is allowed within the Oshwal Academy Nairobi campuses.

SCHOOL OPENS FOR TERM 1

Term 1 of Academic session 2021-22 commences on 31st August 2021 at Oshwal Academy Nairobi, Junior High. The students of year groups 8,9,10 and 11 were very excited to meet their peer group and teachers. We are very pleased to inform you that the students were very much accustomed to COVID-19 protocols and were found to follow all the instructions as shared to them earlier.

Head of school- Mrs. Kekul Patel in her address in the Assembly, greeted the students and emphasized to them the importance of good discipline in their lives. She also congratulated the outgoing year 11's for their excellent IGCSE Results and motivated the incoming year 11's to strive harder to cross the benchmark as set by their predecessors. The first Assembly of the term was highly informative and exciting.



ASSEMBLY FOR YEAR 7'S

Year 7's started their first day at Junior High Campus on 01.09.2021. The year group attended their first ever assembly in Junior high Auditorium. It was quite evident from a glimpse on their wonder-waiting -eyes, that each one of them had a million questions. Head of school, Mrs. Kekul Patel welcomed the new year group. Her motherhood emotions to the little ones were reflection of her dedication to the school life. Senior Leadership Team members also greeted the newcomers and informed them about academics, co-curricular activities, PSHE program and general rules and regulations. HOY, Mrs. Nidhi Goel, introduced HRTs to each class. The assembly came out to be a life-time moment to remain in their hearts!



CLUB ACTIVITY

BY CO-CURRICULAR DEPARTMENT

I hope you had a restful, safe, **HEALTHY**, and a memorable holiday.

This term, the calendar is packed with a variety of extra-curricular activities that are resuming after an eternal Covid break! We hope the holidays were used for training and practicing for these activities. Our students are evidently buzzing with excitement for non-academic activities and we are eager to deliver!

The first of these has been the resumption of clubs this first week of school. More importantly, the introduction of paid clubs. Most of our students had filled up forms online to secure a spot in their preferred clubs – thank you for being proactive. It was indeed a pleasure to have all the clubs up and running this Wednesday. The clubs are varied in terms of sporting, artistic, musical and dance. Pictures speak a thousand words so I will not say more and let the pictures do the talking!



TENNIS CLUB



BAKERY CLUB



ART CLUB

Teething issues are common. However, we are certain to iron out and balance the number of students between the different clubs to follow the covid protocol. It is a request to parents and children to co-operate. A polite reminder for those who chose paid clubs to make payment on the MPESA Paybill shared earlier. Failure to do so would result in the child being moved to a non-paid club of our choice.

The kids have been stampeding my office to register for the PA Club. We are happy to note the enthusiasm the children have with the aim to demonstrate their independence through this club.

We believe we have the future Eliud Kipchoge or Usain Bolt amongst our midst. This week Oshwal Centre was filled with contestants attending the selections for our upcoming Sports Day.



DANCE CLUB



KARATE CLUB



POETRY CLUB



DRAMA CLUB

Next week we have our Annual Cross Country. For this, we are raising funds for the different non-profit making organizations and charities that we partner with. We request parents to donate a minimum of 100/- per child in cash for this cause. We also request children who have their own cycles and would be willing to sweep the circuit to register their names with me for the same.

Also, next week, auditions for the Public Speaking Competition begin. This will be conducted during the double lesson of English for every year group. We request the children to register online. The link is shared on teams via the general channel of each class and year team.

Warm Regards.



CROCHET CLUB



GEOMETRIC CLUB



CODING CLUB



MUSIC CLUB



INTRODUCTION TO PSHE PROGRAM

FROM PASTORAL DESK.

Pastoral is a way of life and we as Oshwal Academy Nairobi always believe that at one particular time we will all become what we were meant to be through the positive influence and guidance even though every flower blooms at a different pace. Being cognizant of the above, as a school, we have a wonderful program that will be rolled out from next week on Monday 6th September 2021 every morning for all the year groups e. g. year 7 through to year 11's; PSHE Program.

PSHE stands for Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education. It is an important part of student's growth to be holistic and wholesome person, as we have always believed that our power lies in our small daily choices, one after another to create eternal ripples of life well lived, in school and even life after.

Schools have an important part to play in helping kids become well-rounded individuals.

Personal, Social and Health and Economic Education, or PSHE, aims to give children the knowledge, skills and understanding to lead confident, healthy, and independent lives.



There are three core themes for PSHE:

1. Health and Wellbeing
2. Relationships
3. Living in the Wider World: economic wellbeing and being a responsible citizen.

Teachers responsible will have different delivery methods that will suite the students' need according to the year group. Visual e. g. using videos, group discussions and individual research work and presentations among many ways.

PSHE will play a major role in students self realization and actualization for them to know who they truly are give them a clear direction of where they want to be even in future as I have always believed ; If you don't know who you truly are, you'll never know what you really want, and if you don't know where you're going, any road can take you there.

PSHE is the next big thing. Let's embrace it with open arms and make it bigger and better.

Thank you and prepare for adventurous journey ahead.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

- **ANNUAL PUBLIC SPEAKING DAY**

Annual Public Speaking Day will be held on the 29th September for Year 7,8,9,10 and 11. All student who are interested should register by filling in a form uploaded on teams and submit by Monday 6th September 2021.

- **SPORTS DAY SELECTION EVENT**

Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th September 2021, there will be selection for Sports day field event which will be done after school hours. interested students to come with their sports kits.

- **TRANSPORT SURVEY FORM**

All students who have not submitted the transport survey forms are informed to bring them by Monday, 6th September 2021.

The students who seek permission to use Primary campus gate will not be allowed to do so till further notice.

The students who have opted for both modes of transportation that is by car and walking will be released at 3:50 p.m.

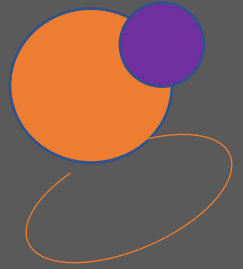




OSHWAL ACADEMY NAIROBI

JUNIOR HIGH
"COMPASS FOR LIFE SKILLS"

TERM 1 WEEK 2 SCHEDULE
06th September 2021 12th September 2021



Monday-06th September 2021

➤ Flamingo and Impala Field Events selections (Open)

Tuesday-07th September 2021

➤ Simba and Gazelle Field Events selections (Open)

Wednesday-08th September

➤ Normal School Day

Thursday- 09th September 2021

➤ Annual Cross Country (at Karura Forest)

Friday- 10th September 2021

➤ Prayushan Holiday

Saturday-11th September 2021

Sunday- 12th September 2021