



September 2019 News Letter

Important Dates

Botswana Day Holidays

30 September
to 01 October

2019 PSLE

09 October to
16 October

Monthly Test 4

10 October to
18 October

General Elections

23 October
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Parent's Consultation

29 October

Mid-Term Break

01 November

STEM WEEK

04 November to
08 November

End-Of-Year Exams

14 November to
22 November

Prize Giving

28 November to 29
November

End-of-Year Concerts

02 December to
04 December

End of Term

05 December

CALL to Action

The school has taken a deliberate step to enhance the culture of quality performance by both students and teachers. A programme called "Call to Action" has been started and parents are requested to be part of this important initiative.

Compliance: We all need to comply to all the rules and regulations that govern our relationship with Legae. While teachers follow all teaching guidelines, parents should also comply in order to meet the expectations of the school.

Accountability: Teachers will be held accountable for the performance of the children and everything else that goes on around the child while in school. In the same way, parents should be accountable for the welfare and general upkeep of the child.

Loyalty: We should all be Loyal to our commitment to providing the highest quality of education to our children. Loyalty to Legae means Loyalty to our children.

Legae 1st: We should put the academic sand nurturing of our children 1st. Legae's existence is all about our children and they should be a priority at all times.

If we all join hands and answer the **CALL** to action, we will make Legae a top provider of quality education.

Chinese Language in Legae

The Ministry of Basic Education has approved the introduction of Chinese to our curriculum. The school in association with Confucius Institute in the University of Botswana (CIUB) will offer Chinese to Standard 2's and 3's. The rollout plan will be communicated to parents in due course.

The programme will start in September 2019. The school has welcomed two Chinese Instructors from China who will help in the establishment of the department.



Book Week Displays

Books

Legae English Medium School is one of the schools that provides textbooks and stationery to students. Unfortunately, the rate at which out text books are being torn and vandalised is disturbing.

1. The books are loaned to students and should be returned in good condition. Normal wear and tear is expected.
2. Vandalised or destroyed books, as well as lost books will be replaced by the parent.
3. Books should be neatly covered and clearly labelled.
4. Children should be encouraged to read as much as possible.

Parents please make sure that your child does all assignments/homework given. You may help the child, but please **DO NOT** do the work for the child. Make sure that the class teacher corrects the work and provides feedback.

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News from the Library

LEMS library is a divine space made available to the students as an inspiration to foster a love of reading, storytelling, exceptional vocabulary and flawless delivery of the English language, both verbally and written. The school library is distinct from public libraries because it is learner-oriented; enhances the student's cognitive development; builds students confidence by supporting creative writing and most importantly it helps our students to develop life skills and a love for books.

The following initiatives are employed throughout the year to ensure that the library expectations are met:

- Book Week
- Book Worm Awards
- Class Poster Competition
- Library Week
- Essay Competition

Let's work together and turn LEMS into a buzzing literary hub for our children.

LEMS DEBATE AND SPELLING BEE

LEMS Spelling Bee and Debate Competitions are motivating and fun ways which highlight the level and usage of the English language in the school. Moreover, students' achievements in relation to their learning in English are also celebrated. These competitions commence at school house level up to external level.

As a true reflection of the exceptional delivery of the English language in competitions like Spelling Bee and Debate, our school took part in the Botswana 7th Annual National Spelling Bee Competition and we scooped 2nd position.

Furthermore, as a reflection of hard work and perseverance our school went through to the selection process for the African Spelling Bee competitions which will be held soon in Uganda. In that selection LEMS scooped 1st place in making the Botswana Spelling Bee National Team.

In a nutshell LEMS aspires to moulding and producing students



Inter House Debates



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Legae and Cancer Association Botswana

September 2019 is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. This is a global awareness month to raise support and awareness of childhood cancers and their impact on the lives of children and their families. Every year the school makes an effort to raise advocacy and support within our student community and parents. Students wear yellow to symbolise solidarity with victims of childhood cancer and holds an assembly especially dedicated to raising awareness about this worthy cause. The school also invites the Cancer Association of Botswana (CAB) to present to students the plight of children and families affected by cancer within our communities.

Cancer Association of Botswana is a local organisation dedicated to reducing the impact of cancer on all affected in Botswana, by increasing awareness and education to promote healthy lifestyles and early detection of cancer, facilitating medical care and providing counselling and support to those affected. In light of the effort made by the organisation and to show its support, the Legae students, parents as well as the management make an effort to donate towards childhood cancer advocacy in Botswana. This does not only help our students and parents to be aware of how childhood cancer can affect their lives, but also builds our effort in raising socially responsible young people.



Horse Riding

CALL to Action

Standard Six Bush Pigs Trip

The Standard Sixes left on Friday the 6th of September in the morning for Bush Pigs Boot Camp. The trip was safe and successful. All scheduled activities were covered. The life skills that they learnt were good for the children. They learnt team initiatives using different games, teamwork activities in building the shelters, endurance through a game called Mudstacle, etc. The night activities were also quite educational, like bush walk and understanding the ecology of the camp.

All the children were actively involved and It was a worthwhile



Bush Pigs Camp in Limpopo South



Bush Piglets

Family Fun Day

Our Annual Family Fun Day fundraising activity was held on the 27th July 2019. The weather was perfect and there was plenty to do, whether you wanted to relax or to show off your skills. We introduced The Colour Run and it was very successful.

We would like to thank our students, parents and everyone for supporting this event. Your support is highly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you again next year for another fun-filled day!

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Family Fun Day

Revision Tips for Parents

(By Exam Papers Plus)

- 1. Start Revising Early:** There's no substitute for beginning a revision programme early. The sooner your child starts revising, the more material they'll be able to cover before the exam.
- 2. Create a Revision Timetable:** When it comes to revising at primary school, having a structured plan in place can make all the difference.
- 3. Find a Stimulating Place to Revise:** A quiet place to study helps your child concentrate.
- 4. Revise Little and Often:** The average attention span of a 10-year-old is around 30 minutes, any longer and they start to get distracted and demotivated.
- 5. Record Revision Notes:** An effective and fun way to revise is to have your child read their revision notes out loud into a voice recorder or mobile phone.
- 6. Try Some Revision Games:** Let's face it, when you're in primary school, revising is boring, so why not make it more interesting with some revision games?
- 7. Stay Positive:** Revising at primary school level can feel daunting. If there's a lot of material to cover, your child can sometimes feel overwhelmed by the amount of work they have to do. Stay focused and positive.
- 8. Use Practice Exam Papers:** Exam practice papers for primary school kids, are a great way to prepare your child for an exam. Discuss this with your child's class teacher.
- 9. Stick Revision Notes Around Your House:** Visual aids are a great tool for revising.
- 10. Do the Hard Stuff First.** Children are at their most alert when they first start a revision session, so it makes sense to start revising the most difficult subjects first

Recycle Reuse Reduce



Sports

The school is doing very well in Chess, Football, Netball and Cross Country. In an attempt to expose our children to more competitions, both local and international, Legae is a registered member of Botswana Primary Schools Sports Association (BOPSAA) and CHOPS Sports Association.

BOPSAA hosts local government schools competitions while CHOPS hosts private primary schools competitions. Participating in both associations increases our students' chances of exposure.



Net Ball Team in Action

Prefects!! Part of the Discipline Team



Students' Discipline

Many experts and scholars agree on the importance of discipline in education. To maintain high levels of discipline, the school has in place rules and regulations and numerous activities that can take the child's mind away from wrong.

Besides all the beautiful initiatives put in place to develop well-disciplined children, we still experiencing challenges, such as bullying, fighting and refusal to obey orders, amongst others.

The school is going all out in ensuring proper discipline practice. In the school and all will be done to make sure that Legae becomes the most disciplined school in the Region.

Parents are urged to be part of this campaign by ensuring that:

- Children are taught the right social skills.
- Children respect teachers and other students.
- Children follow orders and instructions.
- School work is properly done and on time.
- Children learn the importance of Compliance and are made to account for their actions at an early age
- Proper uniform is worn at all times including **age appropriate hair styles**.

A disciplined environment provides a conducive learning platform.

In Term 3, we will see our students compete in Basket Ball, Softball and Swimming.

You are requested to encourage your children to take part in sporting activities. Please note: "Some of the many benefits of sport participation for children include reduced risk of obesity, increased cardio vascular fitness, healthy growth of bones, muscles, ligaments and tendons".

Fees

Parents are urged to be Compliant (remember CALL to action?) and pay all relevant fees on time. Management has taken a deliberate action to remove children of all defaulters from Class after a stipulated time.

To avoid embarrassment and painful penalty charges let us try to meet all set deadlines. Remember, Legae 1st. Our child 1st.

2020 School Fees

At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors held on 11 July 2019, It was agreed that the following school fees be implemented effective January 2020.

Standard 1: **P8,850.00** (Eight thousand, eight hundred and fifty Pula) per term, which is **P26,550.00** (twenty-six thousand five hundred and fifty-five Pula) a year

Standard 2 to 7: **P9,400.00** (nine thousand four hundred pula only) per term, which is **P28,200.00** (twenty-eight thousand, two hundred pula) a year

All other fees and charges remain the same.

Legae supports the Cancer Association of Botswana (CAB) and Botswana Society for the Prevention of Cruelty Against Animals (BSPCA).

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