



NEWSLETTER

HOPAC

VISION & MISSION

We provide an excellent, Christ-centred international education that meets western academic standards and equips students to live out a biblical worldview in all areas of life to the glory of God.

We want to be a school community committed to learning to live fully and to transforming our world with the gospel.

[Click here](#) for the School Calendar

Upcoming Dates

7 Sep - University Fair [Click here](#) for more details

8 Sep - SPA Meeting

We Are Family

As we begin the 2018/19 school year, I am excited about what lies ahead for us as the HOPAC community. Whether you are new to HOPAC or you have been part of the school from before, we have a wonderful opportunity to join hands, participate in the life of the school, and contribute positively in a number of ways.

The HOPAC theme for this year is 'We Are Family'. Some of us may remember the popular 1980s song by this title. This theme captures what we are, and aspire to be: a community that meaningfully shares life, and together impacts the lives of those around us.

In order to be this kind of family, we need to have a high view of each other's needs. An inspiring passage from the Bible is Philippians 2:3-4 which says, *Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.*

I wish you all the very best in the year ahead, and look forward to working with you to build the HOPAC family.

God bless you.

Sheshi Kaniki (Chaplain)

Don't Miss Back to School Celebration - today! It's a House competition again!

Today's Back to School Celebration starts anytime after 4pm, set up a blanket on the football pitch, buy some food from snack bar, and get to know some of your children's teachers! Our program for the evening will start promptly at 5pm, so come early for food, make some time to hang out with other parents, and enjoy the cool evening breeze!

Contact Information

We are working on a new Emergency Broadcast message system using WhatsApp. We plan to add all parents to this system. You will not be able to reply to the group we create, however, you will be able to see other phone numbers in the group. If you prefer to opt out of this group, or if you do not have WhatsApp, please let us know and we can keep you on our regular SMS group.

SPA INFO

All parents are invited to attend the first HOPAC Staff and Parent Association (SPA) meeting of the 2018-19 school year. It will be held on **Saturday, 8 September at 9:00 am on the HOPAC** campus. We will be meeting outside at the banda near the playground so feel free to bring your kids along to play. Our goal for this meeting is to make a basic plan for the entire school year—to make sure each primary class has a "room mom", and to map out the teacher appreciation and community events that we want to organize this year, including starting to plan for the annual Christmas Family Fun Day in December. Start thinking now about ways that we can support the staff and build community at HOPAC this year, and please plan to come and share your great ideas!

Fun After School Activities

As an equally important part of the HOPAC community, we are offering opportunities for parents to share their talents with our students. We are in the process of creating a variety of Fun After School Activities (FASA) in Term 1 but we need your help to make it happen. If you have a special talent or hobby you would like to share with others or would just like to help out, please consider volunteering during Term 1. A hard copy of the volunteer form has been sent home. Forms need to be returned right away by Monday, September 3rd. If you have any questions please contact clindstrom@hopac.sc.tz.

Calling All Football Coaches!

Football season is just around the corner and we have some great coaches already lined up! There are a few teams still in need of coaches (Head Coach or Assistant Coach). If you have some experience with football, a love of football, or simply a heart for helping kids succeed, please let me know - we can use your leadership! Currently, we need to fill coaching spots for U11 girls, U13 boys, U15 girls, and U15 boys. If you are interested (or have a spouse that should be interested), please contact Chris Lindstrom (clindstrom@hopac.sc.tz). Thank you!

Open Pool Dates

The pool will be open the following Saturdays:

September 1, 15, 22

Kindly NOTE that all students below Grade 9 MUST be with a parent/guardian and dates are subject to change if the pool is needed for an event.

Moms in Prayer

Moms in Prayer meets on Thursdays at 7:45am in the playground banda. Moms are welcome to join any Thursday to pray for HOPAC.

Moms in Prayer believes in the importance and power of prayer to cover our school, the Haven of Peace Academy! Each week we have the privilege of gathering together for a time of thanksgiving and praise, while also lifting up our students, staff and teachers in the name of Jesus.

Vehicle Information

All cars on campus must have a current HOPAC sticker. Please complete a form, available from admin to receive a 2018-2019 sticker. It is school policy that students must be 18 years old and must carry a valid driver's licence in order to drive and park at school. Students must present a copy of their driver's license to the Admin office.

Returning Forms

We are sending out different forms today kindly make sure that students return completed forms next week.

- **ICT permission** - Username will be disabled for students who will not submit the forms
- **Library** - Students will not be able to check out books if they do not return their completed Library Rules and Procedures form .
 - Parents, you are welcome to come to the library and check out books and DVDs. Primary Students will only be allowed to out books or DVDs from the secondary section of the library if they come with a parent or guardian to check them out.

Absences

Please ensure that you email absent@hopac.sc.tz if you know your child will be absent or as early as possible on the day of their absence.

Snack Bar

If you signed up for the monthly snack bar amount for September and did not include the 4 days in August, please add extra 20000TSH to the snack bar payment.

If you make payment to snack bar using mobile money, PLEASE send payment follow-up messages to the Snack Bar staff so they can track who is making payments. If you send from a Wakala, they won't know who sent in the funds. Click [here](#) for the Snack Bar Menu and Prices.

Allergies

Please remember that peanuts are not allowed on the school campus due to life threatening allergies for several students. Thank you for your cooperation.

After School Pick-up Reminder

Please remember that school ends at Middle and Primary at 2:40pm, Senior at 3:20pm except for Wednesday all students finish at 2:30pm. Children should not be staying late after school unless they are signed up for a sport or FASA. There should be no children hanging around school after 4pm. We do not have the staff to monitor the site 24 hours a day, so please help us KEEP your children safe!