



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.

2018-2019 School Theme



[Click here for the School Calendar](#)

Upcoming Dates

- 23 Sep - Stanford Uni Fair
- 15 Sep - World cleanup day
- 22 Sep - SPA Meeting
- 6 Oct - Parenting Course

Open Pool Dates

- 22 Sep

NEWSLETTER

Snack Bar Reminder

Snack Bar is **NOT ACCEPTING CASH SALES** FOR MEALS.

If you want your child to use Snack Bar, they will need to have a Snack Bar Pre-paid account. There 3 types of account to choose from:

- 1.TOP - UP Account (Minimum 50,000 TSH)
- 2.Monthly Account (Everyday meals for the month)
- 3.Termly Accounts (Everyday meals for the term)

If your child does not have an account with funds, they will not get lunch. Snack Bar will only accept cash sales for snacks after school.

To set up a snack bar account please complete and submit this form and make the payment.

You can pay by:

Cash at the Snack Bar - only after school

M-pesa - 0743701365 (John)

Tigo Pesa - 0673797920 (Regina)

If you pay by mobile money, please follow up it with an SMS with the name of the child and amount paid.

Please note that there will be sign up sheets outside each classroom starting Monday. Please remind your children to fill in what they will be eating for that day. If your children arrive late for school, they must sign up for lunch in the office when they arrive.

The menu will have a set side to go with the main meal everyday.

Please click here for the menu reflecting this. Your child can purchase any other extras after school only.

Something New at HOPAC–MAP Testing

HOPAC will be starting a new form of assessment this year for all students in kindergarten through grade 9. MAP stands for “Measure of Academic Process” and is a computerised adaptive test which helps teachers, parents and administrators improve learning for all students and make informed decisions to promote a child’s academic growth.

Students in K-9 will be taking this test three times a year—the first starting next week. The test is computer-based and will take 2-3 hours spread out over the week. The benefit to this test is that it will give us individualised data which will greatly assist us in meeting the academic needs of each student.

MAP testing will be replacing the Terra Nova tests we have used for the last several years at HOPAC. This is not a test that students can study for, so other than making sure they are getting plenty of sleep and nutritious food (which is great for learning every day!), you don’t need to be doing anything to prepare your children. Later in the year, we will share with you how MAP tests are helping us track your child’s progress.

Please refer to [this website](#) if you would like more information about MAP, or contact your child’s principal.

From the Nurse:

How Much Sleep Do Kids Need?

Age		Recommended
Pre schoolers	3-5 years	10 - 13 hours
School aged children	6 - 13 years	9 - 11 hours
Teenagers	14 - 17 years	8 - 10 hours

It is important to ensure children get the correct amount of sleep everyday. This will help in more concentration in class, good participation in school activities and good behaviour.

SPA News

Christmas Family Fun Day planning is starting soon!! We are excited about beginning to prepare for this fun family event, sponsored by the Staff and Parent Association (SPA), which is our main fundraiser for school and community projects. Next **Saturday, 22 September**, will be our first planning meeting. We need parents to get involved in helping with planning and organizing this all-school event--there are lots of opportunities! If you have ideas, if you can help out in any way, or if you would just like to find out more about what is involved and what you can do, please join us at **9:00 am next Saturday, the 22nd**. We will meet at HOPAC, in the banda near the playground, so feel free to bring kids along to play. If you have any questions please contact Amy Ellis (aellis@hopac.sc.tz) or Tracy Hensler (tracy-dwight_hensler@wycliffe.org).

Newsletter changes

We will be doing our newsletters differently this year. You will receive a general update (like this one) on only one Friday per month. On the other Fridays, you will receive an update from either our school principals or the chaplain. All of these emails contain important information, so please make sure to read them, and keep us up-to-date with your email address!

University Fair

Stanford University fair will be on Sunday 23rd September at 3 pm, Golden Tulip Hotel. Click [here](#) for details.