

CAMPION COLLEGE

# Principal's Advent Letter

December 2015



The 2015 CXC merit lists for Jamaica and for the Caribbean region are out and Campionites are "all over that". These lists show the students who placed 1st to 10th in each subject offered at the CSEC and CAPE levels.

On the CSEC examinations, we appear a total of 54 times on the national merit list and 16 on the regional one.

On the CAPE national merit list, we appear 141 times, 16 of those being 1st places. On the CAPE regional list, we appear 44 times, 5 of those times being 1st in the Caribbean.

Through the hard work of our students, teachers and parents, we continue to shine nationally and regionally.

**We celebrate our 1st to 3rd CARIBBEAN PLACINGS for CXC 2015! Congrats to all students and teachers!**



## CSEC

Caribbean History—2nd **Brandon Chambers** (1st in JA); 3rd **Ashley-Ann Davis** (2nd in JA)

English A—3rd **Jamila Ruddock** (2nd in JA)

Mathematics—3rd **David Mackay** (1st in JA)

P.O.B.—3rd **Alexi Lyn Shue** (2nd in JA)

## CAPE Unit 1

Accounting—3rd **Kai Bridgewater** (1st in JA)

Computer Science—1st **Russell Coke** (1st in JA); 2nd **Dominic Saunders** (2nd in JA); 3rd **Briana Douglas** (3rd in JA)

Geography—1st **Dominic Saunders** (1st in JA), 2nd **Jillian Edwards** (2nd in JA)

History—2nd **Aneath Mair** (2nd in JA)

Spanish—1st **Russell Green** (1st in JA)

## CAPE Unit 2

Biology—1st **Martin McIntosh** (1st in JA), 2nd **Jordan Malcolm** and **Simran Motiani** (tied for 2nd in JA)

Computer Science—1st **Tashana Blair** (1st in JA)

History—2nd **Nicola Boyd** (1st in JA)

Literatures in English—3rd **Ava Robertson** (1st in JA)



Based on their outstanding performance on the CAPE, the following Campionites were awarded scholarships by the government of Jamaica.

Of the eight such scholarships offered, Campion students claimed 7. **Heartiest congratulations to all our scholarship winners!!**



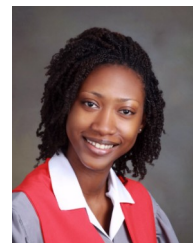
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Jordan Malcolm



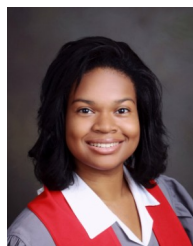
Jamaica Scholar Female—  
Ava Robertson



Jamaica Independence Male—  
Kai Bridgewater



Jamaica Independence Female—  
Tashana Blair



Jamaica Adult Suffrage—  
Brittney Hickey



Jamaica Centenary Female—  
Mishka Williams



Jamaica Grace Kennedy—Nicola Boyd



# Campus Happenings

## MAGIS 2015

Over 200 Campionites were honoured at the Magis Awards 2015 held in October. We salute all those who were recognized for academic and sporting excellence, as well as our wonderful school citizens! Sincere thanks to our understanding parent body as we reduced numbers so that we could fit in the auditorium as rain threatened. Look out for a full list of all our awardees on the school website in the very near future!



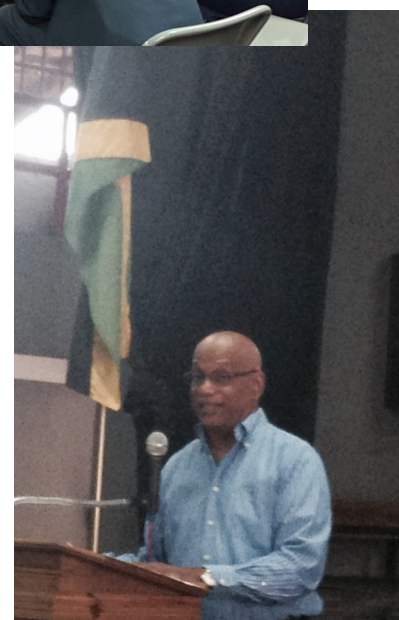
## ELECTION ALERT!

The election monitoring group, Citizens Action for FREE and Fair Elections (CAFFE) hosted a school-hall meeting here on November 12. In attendance were teachers, over 50 students from Campion, and a group of 6th Form students from Jamaica College with their principal Mr. Ruel Reid. Mr. Anton Thompson, Board Chairman and Director of CAFFE led the group in lively discussions around :

- Should we have a fixed election date?
- Should voting be compulsory?
- Should both General and Local Government elections be held at the same time?



Many thanks to **all** of our volunteers and to Ms. Kathryn Stewart and our team of parents for the hard work that went into organizing the forum.



## CAREERS RAP

Over 60 professionals made the time to interact with our students at this year's session held on November 4.





### VESPERS: REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DEPARTED

On November 5, Archbishop Reece officiated at special evening prayers in the chapel where our community gathered to



remember those gone before us. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, parents of Mikhail Campbell, a past student, who died in a motor vehicle accident last year. A plaque was blessed and unveiled in the 6th Form building in his memory.



### DANCE SOCIETY CLEANS UP!

Dancers and their parents turned out in numbers on Saturday, November 7 for a massive costume organizing project. This included painting the area beneath the stage and properly preparing for storage the hundreds of costumes and props acquired by the Dance Society over the last 6 years. It was a clean up sweetened by a good old Jamaican 'cook-up'!





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## GIVE-BACK DAY 2015

And give back they did! Scores of students turned out on October 31 to sweep, clean, wash, paint, weed and plant all over our campus. Parents played their part in giving a facelift to the perimeter walls of the property. The spirit of volunteerism is alive and well at Campion!



## BLOW OUT BAKE SALE!

There was unparalleled parent involvement and student support for this year's H.S.A.'s bake sale! No wet walkways, cloudy skies or intermittent showers could dampen the 'pastry passion' of our students on November 25.



## 2015 HALL OF FAME BANQUET—GLAMOUR WITH GRAVITAS

On November 19, the Alumni Association staged its banquet at which it honoured Campion's first Rhodes Scholars - Dr. Yolande Brown Chan and Mr. Robert Hew. Congratulations to President Adam Jones, banquet coordinator David Silvera and his team for their superb organization of this impressive event!



## RADLEY REID ROAD RACE

On Saturday, November 21, we had yet another successful Radley Reid Road Race with over 150 participants commemorating the day our legendary, former headmaster successfully chased and apprehended a violent intruder on our campus.



## Sports Highlights

### TENNIS— Sunday, Nov 15

Our Under 15 Boys won the Tennis Jamaica sponsored inter-school competition!

### SWIMMING – Friday, Nov 27

Our boys placed 1st while our girls claimed 2nd place in the ISSA Swim Meet.

### WATER POLO— Saturday, Dec 5

The Under 19 Boys defeated Wolmer's Boys in the final of the ASAJ high school league. The Under 16 Girls team also defeated ICHS to win gold in their competition. Our Under 19 Girls won the silver medal. Well done teams and Coaches Alrick and Zhoe!!







### FEAST DAY MASS

On December 1, the Feast of St Edmund Campion, Fr. Peter McIsaac S.J. presided at celebrations of the Eucharist for students on both shifts. As always, the mass was wonderfully planned by Mrs. Barker-Dunn and her team. Mr. Wright provided prayerful dance and Ms. Armstrong, her musicians and choir made it a truly 'kick out' celebration. When we pray, we certainly don't do boring!



### LITERATURE FIELD TRIP TO "STUSH IN THE BUSH"



Mrs. Cheryl Holdsworth-McKenzie took her students to the Zionite Farm in the hills of St Ann for a perfect setting in which to stage their class production of "The Lion and the Jewel".

*"The owners of the farm commented on how well-mannered the students were, how professional they seemed in their acting and how receptive they were to the idea of organic farming and the "farm to table" concept of eating."* (Mrs. McKenzie)





# CONGRATULATIONS



On National Heroes Day 2015, Rev. Fr. Louis Grenier, S.J. a member of the School Board, was awarded the Order of Jamaica and Mr. Gladstone

Lewars, a faithful member of the Finance Committee of the Board, had bestowed on him, the Order of Distinction in the rank of Commander. The school community congratulates these two remarkable men, whose service to Campion has been invaluable!



We celebrate with Mr. Stephen Allen of the History Department who was recently awarded a Master's Degree in History from Hull University in the UK . Congrats too, to Mrs. Peta-Gaye Smith of the Modern Languages Department, who received the award for Best Thesis for her work in the Masters programme in Educational Leadership and Management offered by the University of Technology.

Congrats to Justina Starrard (6A) for Best Essay



in the Scientific Research Council's essay competition and Jabari Hastings (6A) for the best overall entries in the SRC essay and oratory competitions!

Campion College placed 2nd in the Jamaica Civil Service Association Quiz Competition. Participants were Kode Williams, Alanis Blake, Chelsea Wright and Desmond Edwards. Go team!

## COMING ATTRACTIONS!

### MOZART'S "SANCTA MARIA, MATER DEI" : December 16th

Presented by the Campion College Chapel Choir at 7:00 p.m. at Sts Peter and Paul Church and on January 3 at 5:00 p.m. at the Saxthorpe Methodist Church.

### JINGLE JAMMIN': December 18th

H.S.A. Christmas Concert starting at 4 p.m. in the Auditorium

### CAROL OF THE BELLS: December 20th

Dance Society's Christmas Show starting at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium.

### BENEFIT PERFORMANCE OF "PAN": January 22

Starting at 7:30 p.m. at the Philip Sherlock Centre, UWI

### COME & SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!



*May this holy season of Advent be a time of joyous expectancy, as we prepare to celebrate the coming of the Light of the World.*

*Grace Baston*

## HERE'S WHY WE LOVE CAMPION PARENTS!



On a morning when parents were lined up to pay exam fees and the bursar's staff was unavoidably late, instead of grumbling, Patrick Medley of the H.S.A. rolled up his sleeves and took over as cashier. Thank you so much Mr. Medley!



## APPEALS

- We would like to create a roster of parent physicians who could be 'on call' in the event of medical emergencies at school. Ideally, the doctor would have an office or residence in our neighbourhood and would be willing to respond to emergencies, especially those that take place after 4:00pm. Please contact me if you are interested in offering your services at: [gbaston@campioncollege](mailto:gbaston@campioncollege)
- We continue our drive to create an adequate 'back-up' water supply. We still need 5 additional 1000 gallon storage tanks. Please let me know if you are able to contribute to this important project.



### SPOTTED ON CAMPUS!

Another use for the library...

