



XAVIER'S LOWER SCHOOL
In Truth and Charity
West Bay Street, Nassau, Bahamas

Home of the
GIANTS

**XAVIER'S LOWER SCHOOL
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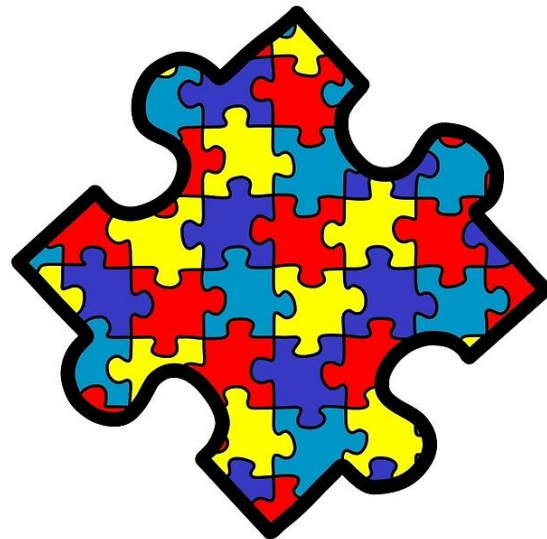
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THEME



'We are better Together!'

*Each of us is a unique piece of the **GIANT** puzzle.*



RELIGIOUS REFLECTION

Greetings GIANT Family,

"Let all that you do be done in love." — 1 Corinthians 16:14

This February, may our hearts be filled with Christ's love, inspiring us to show kindness, compassion, and joy to everyone we meet. Love is the greatest gift we can share. ❤️

Peace and Blessings, ❤️
XLS Administration



CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

XLS Calendar at a Glance

February	Event
7 th	Deadline to submit King & Queen of Hearts funds to the office.
7 th	Deadline to submit applications for entrance into XLS for 2025-2026 School Year
11 th	Staff Meeting (NO AFTERNOON CLASSES/CLUBS (unless told otherwise)
14 th	King & Queen of Hearts crowned (WEAR RED, PINK or WHITE with jeans) no holes/slippers/sleeveless tops.
14 th	Kindergarten Entrance Exam
15 th	Scavenger Hunt (1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.) <i>See page 7 for further details</i>
20 th - 24 th	Mid-Term Break
25 th	School reopens (8:15 a.m.)

Please note, these dates are subject to change

SICKNESS PROTOCOLS

In order to keep the school a happy and safe working environment for students and staff we ask that sick children **remain at home**. This includes days when there may be examinations taking place. These can be made up at a later date when the child can perform to the best of his or her ability.

We ask that children with the following symptoms **remain at home**:

- **Fever**
- **Cough**
- **Vomiting and diarrhea**
- **Sore throat**
- **Body aches or chills.**
- **Headache not related to dehydration.**
- **Sinus congestion with thick mucus.**

A child who comes to school sick, or who develops symptoms of illness during the school day will be seated safely outside the classroom and a parent or guardian will be called to collect the child.

Additionally please be reminded that children must not come to school with medications in their bags.

If medication is required it **must be prescribed by the child's physician and have a pharmacy label with the name and the dosage written on it.**

This includes over the counter medications.

Feel free to email the School Nurse Elizabeth Hawkins at ehawkins@cec.edu.hs

CBOE CELESTIAL SCAVENGER HUNT

SUPPORT!

Let's bring 1st place home!!!!

135
CELEBRATING 135 YEARS

Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

The Bahamas Catholic Board of Education
Presents

The CELESTIAL GAMES SCAVENGER HUNT

Solve clues, Learn about your Catholic schools,
Reconnect with former classmates
& teachers and Win Prizes!

MAKE IT A DATE!
Saturday, February 15, 2025
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Xavier's Lower School


Registration is \$35
Maximum of 4 persons per team

SPACE IS LIMITED!
Register Now <https://bcbe.betterworld.org/donate>
Prizes for top 6 teams

135th Anniversary Block Party
kicks off @ 2:00 p.m. featuring the
Aquinas College Band
and DJ Dacs & DJ Koolz

Grab your
FRIENDS!

Prepare your
TEAMS!



Xavier's Lower School

For The Love of Cookies



Personalized Valentine's
Cookie-grams

\$5 each with personalized message

Available Flavors

Chocolate Chip

S'mores

Oreo Chocolate Chip

Sprinkled Sugar Cookie



*Orders due to homeroom teacher on or before
Friday, February 7th*

All orders will be fulfilled on Friday, February 14th



**LOVE IS IN
The Air**

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SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

School Fee Payment Options

There are now **only 2 school fee payment options** available:

1. **Bank Transfer to one of the following accounts:**
 - a. For Deposit to the Account of **RCANB-Special Catholic School Acct (CIBC-Palmdale) - 1126917**
 - b. For Deposit to the Account of **RCANB-Catholic Education Centre (RBC-Palmdale) - 05745-2897445**

2. **Tuition Payment Portal:**
 - a. tuitionpay.io

Total School Fees <i>(Per Term)</i>	Total Annual School Fees
\$1,425.00	\$3,922.50

Term 2 School fees are PAST DUE.

Please note that the second term school fees were due **December 1, 2024.**

Grade 6 Student Reminder: Second term fees should include graduation fee of \$130.00

Term 3 Fees are due March 1, 2025

For those parents on the payment plan please be sure to contact Mrs. K. Hall to ensure your monthly payments are current.

All students with unsettled balances will be sent home.

if you have already made the payment PLEASE send a copy of the proof of payment to both administrators via email: (dcooper@cec.edu.bs; kdodge@cec.edu.bs).

If you need to set up a meeting to discuss fee payment, please contact Miss D. Cooper by calling the school's office to make an appointment or sending an email to dcooper@cec.edu.bs

EXCESSIVE TARDINESS & ABSENCES

The **FIRST BELL** rings at **8:15 a.m.** Students present will then proceed to their classrooms. **Parents, you are asked to drop your child(ren) at the gate and leave.**

The **SECOND BELL** rings at **8:30 a.m.** Students arriving after this time are considered late and will need a **late slip to enter class.** We would like to discourage parents from traversing the campus once the 8:30 a.m. bell has gone. The late slip gives your child access to their classroom after 8:35 a.m. (parents should not be collecting late slips).

There are too many students arriving to school late. Therefore **detention will be reinstated for students who have been late more than 3 times in any given week. They will serve their detention the following Friday during the last period.**

Letters will be sent home to parents of students who exceeded the 10 days of tardiness and/absence without valid documentation for the reason of excessive tardiness or absence.



Grades 1 to 6 are dismissed at **3:00 p.m.**

Kindergarten is dismissed at **2:45 p.m.**

AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP

Please note that school is dismissed at **3:00 p.m.**

The school's office closes promptly at 4:00 p.m.

Any student remaining **after 3:30 p.m.** (*who is not a part of an after school club/class*) will **automatically** be sent to aftercare to ensure proper supervision and safety.

The fee for which is **\$5.00/child (due at time of collection).**



OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

**Like, Share and Follow our Facebook Page by clicking the link,
for all the latest news and events in the land of the GIANTS!**

<https://www.facebook.com/xls.giants>



ON



OUR WEBSITE

Please visit our school's website for the latest news and updates by clicking the link below.

<http://xavier.cec.edu.bs/>



**SAFETY
ALERT**

LOCK IT OR LOSE IT



Be Smart. Stay Safe.

- Always keep valuables out of sight or in the trunk
- Never leave valuables in unattended vehicles
- Always lock your vehicle

Parents and guardians, please remember valuables should not be left in your vehicle even if you are only exiting for a second.

The school is NOT responsible for loss or damages to your vehicle and its contents.