



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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THEME



*'Guided by Faith, Inspired by Excellence: Our
Legacy Continues...!'*

*Giant Strong: In Veritate et Caritate
(In Truth and Love)*



RELIGIOUS REFLECTION-PEACE

Religious Reflection: Courage and Bravery

Our theme, “Guided by Faith, Inspired by Excellence: Our Legacy Continues...! Giant Strong: In Veritate et Caritate (In Truth and Love),” reminds us that true courage comes from living in truth and love.

Scripture encourages us in Joshua 1:9: **“Be strong and courageous...for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.”** Courage is not just great acts of bravery but trusting God daily—whether it's a child trying again after a mistake, a teacher facing new challenges or a parent leading with faith at home.

May we continue to inspire our children to be “Giant Strong”—standing firm in truth, love and faith.

Peace and Blessings, 
XLS Administration



CALENDAR AT A GLANCE



XLS Calendar at a Glance

September	Event
8th & 11th	International Literacy Day (See Page 17)
8th-12th	Girls and Boys Basketball Team try-outs after school (All students in Grades 3-6 are encouraged to attend, so we can reclaim our championship title!)
15th	Swimming Begins (See Page 13)
15th	Class Parent Meetings (6:30 p.m.) Beginning in Seton Hall (auditorium)
22nd	Club Fair (2:00 - 3:00 p.m.- Seton Hall)
26th	Back to School Dance (More details to come)
29th	After School Clubs/Classes Begin

Please note these dates are subject to change.

MORNING CABANA ROUTINE

As we continue to promote Literacy Development here at Xavier's Lower School, **ALL** students will now be **REQUIRED** to have a book to read each morning under the front cabanas after being dropped off.

Research conducted has revealed that early morning reading is beneficial for focus and organization, while helping to increase fluency and reading comprehension.



Students should be done with breakfast by 8:30 a.m. and in class, otherwise they will be marked late. As a reminder, fast food is **PROHIBITED**.

Please note that all parking spaces on campus are reserved for teachers and staff. If you need to park, kindly use the open area beyond the traffic cones. This will help keep traffic flowing smoothly and ensure staff have access to their designated spaces. Parents are not allowed to park or drop students off by the pool area. This is strictly prohibited.

GLAT RESULTS

GLAT for Grades 3 & 6 (2024-2025 AY) are available for collection from the school's office.

They can be collected between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 3:15 p.m.



WATER WEDNESDAYS

In an effort to develop healthy habits, we are continuing our campus initiative called **Water Wednesdays**.

On Wednesdays, students will be encouraged to only drink water. The kitchen will only have water (**No juice**) on sale on Wednesdays.

We thank you in advance for your support of this initiative as we endeavor to shape and mold healthy, hydrated children.



XLS UNIFORM REPRIEVE FROM HEAT

Students should wear **complete uniform** during the first week of school.
(September 1 - 5, 2025).

However, in an effort to bring relief to students from the heat, students will be permitted to wear **P.E. uniforms** daily from
(September 8 - October 23, 2025).
It should be noted, this is optional.

Students will revert to **regular school uniforms** on **October 28, 2025**, wearing P.E. uniforms only on days when Physical Education is scheduled.



SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS

School Fee Payment Options

There are now only 2 school fee payment options available:

PAST DUE

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 (Per Term)	Total Annual School Fees
\$1, 425.00	\$3,922.50

Please note that the first term school fees were due: **June 1, 2025.**

Term 2 fees are due: December 1, 2025

Term 3 Fees are due: March 1, 2026

For those parents on the payment plan, please be sure to contact Mrs. K. Hall khall@cec.edu.bs to ensure your monthly payments are current to avoid any interruptions in your child's learning.

Please note, if fee payments were not current by August 31, 2025, they are considered LATE and therefore students' names will NOT appear on any class list and they are not allowed in to classes, until proof of payment is provided.

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

STUDENTS WILL NOT RECEIVE THEIR BOOKS UNTIL PROOF OF SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED.

SWIMMING/P.E.

Please note Swimming will begin the **week of September 15, 2025** and end on **October 23, 2025**.

All students **(Kindergarten-Grade 6)** should be dressed appropriately in their house color (red, yellow, or blue) or completely black all-in-one swimsuits (girls) or swim pants (boys). ***(There should be no large logos or designs on the swimwear.)***

Students should come prepared for class with:

- A towel
- Crocs/slippers
- Goggles
- Swim cap (girls)
- Underwear



Failure to come fully prepared or properly dressed may result in students not being allowed to participate in class, which will adversely affect their P.E. grade.

If for any reason, students are unable to participate in P. E./Swimming classes a signed letter, outlining the reason, by a parent/guardian will be required for the student to be excused. ***(Health related issues should be accompanied by a note from a physician.)***

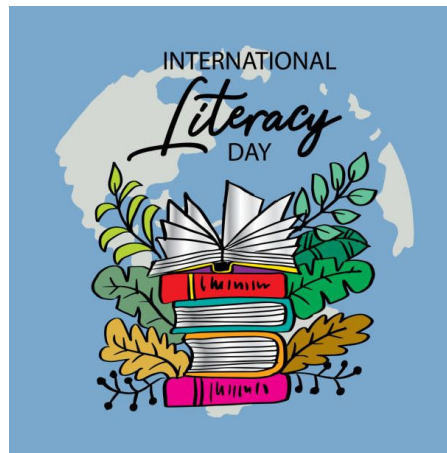
INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY

Literacy Day is scheduled to be celebrated at Xavier's Lower School on **Monday, September 8, 2025.**

Students are required to come dressed in their **Summer Reading Challenge T-Shirt**, jeans (**No holes**) and tennis shoes (**No slippers or sandals**).

This challenge will serve as their first Language Arts grade. (**Bonus points for bringing the book read.**)

September 11, 2025 - Book Character Dress Up. Students may come dressed as a character from the book read during the summer. **\$2.00**



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.**



BELL SCHEDULE

The **FIRST BELL** rings at **8:15 a.m.** Students present will line up, and then be escorted to their classrooms.

The **SECOND BELL** rings at **8:30 a.m.** Students arriving after this time are considered late and **MUST** receive a **late slip**. This late slip will give them access to their classroom after 8:30 a.m. (**Further details to come**)



Kindergarten will be dismissed at **2:45 p.m.**
Grades 1 to 6 will all be dismissed at **3:00 p.m.**

OUR FACEBOOK PAGE

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for all the latest news and events in the land of the GIANTS!**

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OUR WEBSITE

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