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Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back everyone; greetings to our Form 2 students from Primary school and a warm welcome to all our new students. Welcome to the start of another great year at secondary school.

I trust everyone has had time to rest, and enjoy spending time with friends and families during the holidays, and have now returned refreshed and ready to start.

All classes have commenced, it is important that students bring stationery to school so they do not miss out on any work done.

Please note the following confirmed activities and a few notices for your information for this term.

Term Dates 2010

Term 1:	25 th January – 9 th April	11 weeks
Term 2:	26 th April – 9 th July	11 weeks
Term 3:	26 th July – 8 th October	11 weeks
Term 4:	18 th October – 4 th December	<u>7 weeks</u> 40 weeks

School Fees

Invoices for Term 1 school fees have been distributed to students. Please remember that full fees are to be paid within the first 2 weeks of term to avoid the late fee. Term fees are based on a **10week per term** basis, 40 weeks at the end of the year.

The 5% late penalty fee will be charged at the beginning of week 3 for those who still have not paid school fees. Official reminders will be issued to parents owing; if fees are still unpaid then students will be sent home immediately.

School fees are paid to our **main office at Lotopa**.

Term 1 Public Holiday

Week 10 – 2nd April: GOOD FRIDAY

Week 11 – 5th April: EASTER MONDAY

Parent Information Day

The purpose is for teachers to meet parents as well as giving out information/programmes for the year. Also a good opportunity to discuss any queries or concerns you may have in regards to your child.

It will be a normal day but school will close at 12.00 in the afternoon to allow our parent meetings to take place. You may pick up your child at 12.00 on this day.

When: Friday 5th February (Week 2)

Time: 12.30pm – 4.30pm

Where: RLSS School, Tafaigata Campus

This will be on a first come first serve basis. More information will be forthcoming closer to the date.

Samoa School Certificate and Pacific Senior Secondary 2009 results

	2008	2009
Form 5 SSC Pass rates	98%	98%
Form PSSC Pass rates	80%	84%

Congratulations to all our senior students of 2009. Very impressive pass rates, results we should all be proud of, a testament to the hard work of our staff and commitment of our students. Well Done! We look forward to another successful year.

School Assemblies

Mondays and Fridays only at 8.00am, weather permitting. School gates will be closed at 8.00am to allow the school to have its assembly with minimum disruptions from vehicles driving in. Students arriving after 8.00 during assembly are to be dropped off at the gates and will have to walk from the gates to our assembly area.

School time

1st Period starts at 8.15am. Please ensure that your child is at school before 8.15. Students miss out on important notices (assembly) as well as missing out on class time and work when they are late.

School Council

Student council meeting is on every Tuesday at Lunch time. All class captains and prefects are council members, this is an important avenue for students to convey any concerns about school, or suggest ideas and student activities for the school.

Telephone, CD players, ipods, MP3,4 etc...

Students are not permitted to accept or make calls at school - except in an emergency. Students have all been briefed by their Form Teachers about school rules. While students may bring cell phones, they must not be switched on or used during class time. Students are not allowed to bring the listed items to school. Loss of such items is not the school's responsibility.

VISITORS

No visitors allowed at school. However special requests may be considered 24hrs prior to the day a visitor wishes to visit our school.

We have an open door policy so if you have concerns about your child's work or questions about the school and its activities, please call the office or speak directly to the teacher you wish to discuss your concerns with.

Thank you

Faleatoa Tomane
PRINCIPAL