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**HCR512 CHILD RIGHTS IN AN AFRICAN CONTEXT**

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Only write your student number on the answer sheet.

Answer **ONLY One Question**.

Where you cite legal provisions, they must be cited in full.

**Question 1**

Reconcile the right to privacy of the child with the parental obligations to protect their children from exposure to information injurious to their development.

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**Question 2**

“The rights codified in international instruments have a strident and absolutist character which impoverishes the discourse: there is no room for compromise or an allowance for competing cultural values. The current character of human rights forecloses reflection on intricate issues that are not soluble by simplistic formulae. (Sunstein C ‘Rights and their critics’ (1995) 70 *Notre Dame Law Review* 727). Discuss.

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**Question 3**

Evaluate the application of ‘the evolving capacities of the child’ principle with regards to consent to sex and access to contraception.

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