

Resumption Term 1, 2018/19



Welcome to the beginning of the new academic session at Olashore International School. I hope that students and parents have had an

enjoyable break. The 2017/18 academic session was very exciting as the school gained recognition nationally and internationally for the success of students and alumni both recent and longstanding.

Academically, students within the school achieved the best results in the history of the school with five students surpassing the previous top mark in JAMB-UTME. This shows that students across the school are benefiting from an outstanding academic programme and I congratulate all the teachers for the work they have done. This work is also reflected in the international arena. Once again this year, the school received an Outstanding Learner Award from the British Council/Cambridge International Examinations for the performance of students in the IGCSE examinations. Alongside this recognition of academic success, during the last session, two students were recognised by COBIS, the premier international association, for their outstanding achievements within the school community and nationally.

Our commitment is not only to develop students who achieve success within the school but young men and women who continue that success when they graduate. During the 2017/18 academic session it was gratifying to hear from students who have progressed to universities in Nigeria and abroad and continued their success. As a school, our expectation of Olashore graduates is not just academic success but all-round exceptional performance. We had students graduating with first class degrees from universities as diverse as University of Louisiana, USA, University of Birmingham in U.K., and Redeemers University in Nigeria. For this consistent top-level performance by Olashore graduates, I was pleased to receive the award for **2018** *Africa Outstanding School CEO Award*.

At Olashore, we believe that the strong foundation built during six years at the school and developed at university provides the platform for our graduates to carve successful careers in the 21st century. Our Guest Speakers at both Speech and Prize Giving Day and Valedictory Service were members of the pioneer set of Olashore International School who have gone on to great success here in Nigeria. In addition, two of our alumni were recognised by Forbes in their 30-under-30 list of young men and women who will have a significant impact on the continent. I believe we are the only school on the continent who can claim two graduates on that honour roll. To cap the year, in July, Mr. Bode Olanipekun, who graduated from Olashore in 1999 became the youngest SAN in the history of Nigeria.

As we reflect on a very successful 2017/8, we also look forward. This academic session, the school will celebrate its 25th anniversary. I often speak to those who were here in the very early days, staff, students who are now alumni and of course the Chairman of the Board of Governors. They all comment on how impressed they are that the school, which set such a high standard in those early days, has maintained that standard over twenty-five years. The facilities have been maintained, improved and expanded. All staff remain committed to excellence and the students continue to exhibit those values, honesty, service and honour, espoused by the Founder, Oba Oladele Olashore, at the opening of the school.

I look forward to an exciting year, full of events to celebrate the twenty fifth anniversary. I look forward to building on the success of those twenty-five years as your children develop the skills and competencies to be global leaders in the 21st century.

I wish you all a safe trip to and from school and look forward to seeing you during resumption.

Derek Smith

Principal and CEO











Information For Parents

The following information is to make you aware of the arrangements for resumption. The newsletter will also be available on the school website, www.olashoreschool.com

and Facebook page

http://www.facebook.com/olashoreschool

Join our online community

Get updates of all events and activities that your children will be involved in this academic year by joining our online community and following all our social media handles.

Twitter: @OlashoreSchool (www.twitter.com/OlashoreSchool)
Facebook: @OlashoreSchool (www.facebook.com/OlashoreSchool)
Instagram: @OlashoreSchool (www.instagram.com/OlashoreSchool)

Payment of School Fees

The term 1 fee is due for payment on or before Saturday, 8th September 2018 when the school will resume for the 2018/19 academic session.

Parents are to pay their ward(s) fees in full, as management and staff are not allowed to sign any undertaking for fee deferment or part payment.

Monthly Payment of Fees

The school allows parents to pay their ward(s) fees on monthly basis subject to the receipt of an acknowledged copy of direct debit instruction from the parent's bank by the school.

Please contact the account department of the school for further details through email account@olashoreschool.com and/or phone number 08107232901.

Speech and Prize Giving Day

The 2018 Speech and Prize Giving Day will be held on Saturday 10th November at 2.00pm in the Oba Okunade Sijuwade Hall (school hall).

Please note the new time. This is to allow as many parents as possible to attend and to celebrate their child's success.

The speaker for the event will be Mr. Bode Olanipekun, a graduate of Olashore International School who recently became the youngest SAN in the history of Nigeria.

We look forward to welcoming you to this event.

New Parents Forum

The school is organising a forum for parents who are new to the school this session. This will take place on Saturday 13th October 2018, at Royal Park Hotel between 8.00pm – 9.00pm.

The forum will enable new parents to meet key staff in the school and learn more about programmes in the school.

Year 7 Induction Programme

The Year 7 Induction Programme will begin on Saturday 8th September 2018 with a familiarisation tour of the school at 5.00pm. It will include a range of activities aimed at providing proper orientation for the incoming junior students and welcoming them into the OIS family.

PTA Swimming Gala

The annual PTA Swimming Gala will be held on Sunday 11thNovember, 2018 at 11.00am. The venue is the swimming arena.

We look forward to having our esteemed parents and other guests at this spectacular event.











School Trips

Year 8 and 9 students will be going to Cotonou in October, 2018. Parent who have registered their child/ ward for the trip are expected to submit all documents listed below on Resumption Day at the table in the school hall.

- Student's International Passport and Yellow Card
- Both Parent International Passport Data Page or Driver's License
- Student's Birth Certificate
- Student's Parents' Consent form/ letter signed by both parents

Year 7 Students will visit Calabar in May, 2019.

Year 10 and 11 students will visit France in April, 2019.

Parents who would like further details about the trip can contact the Quality Assurance Manager. nnenna.chukwu@olashoreschool.com

Junior School Prefects

The swearing-in of the junior prefects is scheduled for Monday 17th September, 2018 during the whole school assembly. This is another opportunity for them to demonstrate their leadership skills and I wish them a successful term in office.

Leadership

Some of the leadership projects presented last term will be executed this term. Particularly the Year 8 Classroom Decoration that has a Christmas theme and the Year 11 Health to Help Initiative.

All Year 8 students are expected to come back to school with classroom decorations or items to produce classroom decorations especially decorations with a Christmas theme.

All Year 11 students have pledged to improve the quality of service provided in the Iloko Health

Centre and improve the living standard of some orphans in Iloko through donations of clothes, books, toys, mattresses, bedsheets, mosquito nets, pillows, and cleaning equipment. They are all expected to bring items towards fulfilling this pledge.

International School Award

2018/19 will see the school begin the reaccreditation process for the International School Award. The school was one of the first schools in Nigeria to achieve the award in 2015 and will again be one of the first schools in Nigeria to be re-accredited. The whole school will be involved in activities towards the reaccreditation and we look forward to parents' support and participation.

Year 10 Subject Selection / Option Choices

The Year 10 students have made their option choices for the senior school following the BECE exams and the pre-IGCSE programme. Parents wishing to hold further discussions on the selections can contact the Vice-Principal or Senior master by e-mail.

viceprincipal@olashoreschool.com

Reminder to Year 12 parents

This academic year will be an exceptionally busy one for Year 12 students, as they engage in a range of activities to take them through the last stage of their secondary education. In particular they will undertake a series of examinations, with success in these examinations playing a key role in ensuring the smooth transition of each student to tertiary educational institutions. Details of these examinations were given in a letter which was distributed at the end of last term along with some forms to be completed. The completed forms should be submitted in the school hall at the Senior Master's table on the Resumption Day.











IGCSE 2018

The Oct/Nov 2018 IGCSE examinations for Year 12 students will start on Monday 15th October 2018.



Continuous Assessment

Each term students at Olashore are assessed on a continuous basis through the work they do in class and during prep. The results of this continuous assessment (known as CA) are reported to parents through the Eduportal and, along with the end of term exam results, form part of the overall mark for the term. As a result of absence due to illness or other factors,

students may miss part of their continuous assessment. For short-term absences of a few days it may be possible for teachers to arrange for a student to do any assessment they have missed. However, since CA takes place continuously during lessons and is not based mainly on written tests, it is not possible for a student who misses several weeks of school to 'catch-up' on the continuous assessment they have missed.

College Board SAT Test Dates for 2018/2019

This is to inform parents of the schedule for College board SAT tests for 2018/2019. Parent are reminded that the original international passport of their child is the only valid means of registration and identification for the tests.

Test Dates Test type

6th October, 2018 SAT /SAT with Essay /

SAT Subject

3rd November, 2018 SAT Subject

1st December, 2018 SAT /SAT with Essay /

SAT Subject

9th March, 2019 SAT /SAT with Essay

4th May, 2019 SAT /SAT with Essay /

SAT Subject

1st June, 2019 SAT Subject











RESUMPTION PROCEDURES

REGISTRATION OF RETURNING STUDENTS

Arrival and Registration of students will take place between: 9:00am – 6.00pm

(No student/parent will be attended to after 6.00pm)

Refreshments will be available for parents in the School Hall

PROCEDURES AT THE MAIN GATE

- All vehicles must stop at the gate.
- Everybody except the driver should alight and go to the reception to wash their hands. Thereafter, they should proceed to the school hall.
- All drivers should wash their hands at the designated point at the gate.
- Thereafter they should drive their vehicles to the car park.

Please follow the instructions of security staff at all times to ensure safety of students.

ALL REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE SCHOOL HALL Please note that registration will be in the following sequence: Points 1-6 will be in the Gallery

POINT 1. Bursary/Accounts Registration

- Parents will need to provide evidence of payment, such as school issued receipts and tellers.
- On receipt of evidence of payment, clearance will be given to parents so that they can proceed with the other resumption activities.

POINT 2. ID Card for Parents/Eduportal Updates

- New parents will have their photographs and details taken for production of identity cards.
- Parents having difficulty accessing the Eduportal can meet concerned staff members here.
- Parents should collect their ID cards before going downstairs.

POINT 3. Student's Registration with the Senior Master

The following items will be required at this point

- All year 12 students' examination forms should be submitted here.
- Parents and students will be able to check their class here.
- Transfer students should select their subjects here.











POINT 4. Students' Registration with the Registrar

- Registration documentation of new students should be submitted here.
- Photograph and image authorisation forms should be submitted here by returning students.
- Data forms should be submitted here.

POINT 5. Religious Affairs

- New parents will need to complete and sign a consent form for their wards.
- Enquiries about confirmation, Baptism and Catechism would be attended to here.
- All other questions and enquiry related to religious activities would be attended to here.

POINT 6. Clinic Registration with Medical Staff

New students are required to submit the following:

- Medical certificate from a teaching hospital(duly signed and stamped)
- A complete medical history form/health consent form.
- One passport photograph.

Returning students should submit:

- Any medication brought from home, which will be handed over to the clinic personnel.
- Any other relevant medical information which will be recorded by clinic personnel.

Points 7 – 10 will take place in the Main Hall

POINT 7. School Excursion

- All necessary excursion documentations, forms and luggage will be submitted here.
- Enquiries about all school excursions will be attended to here.

POINT 8. Leadership

- Items meant for year 8 classroom decoration project will be collected here.
- Year 11 project with Iloko community items will be collected here.

POINT 9. Information Desk

- Enquiries and findings concerning 2018/2019 admission can be sought here.
- General questions about Olashore International School will be attended to here.

POINT 10. Release and Departure

- Clearance form will be signed by a member of staff and returned to parents as the students pass through to the checking area. Students should collect their luggage and pass through the entry to the checking area.
- Parents are not allowed to enter the checking area.
- Students will not be permitted to exit the checking area once they have been checked in.
- Parents may leave school as soon as their children have gone to check their luggage.
- Parents should submit clearance form to the security personnel at the School Gate when leaving the school.











POINT 11. Refreshment

• Light refreshments are available for parents.

Points 12 – 14 are for Students Only

POINT 12. Registration of Musical Instruments

- Students will complete the musical instrument registration form.
- The state of the musical instrument will be determined and documented if necessary. Students' names will be written on their musical instruments.
- The musical instrument will be collected by the coordinator.

POINT 13. Laptop, Hard and Flash Drive Registration / Submission of iPads

- Students will complete the laptop registration form; the state of the laptop will be ascertained and recorded.
- A staff member will check to ensure the name of the student is inscribed on the laptop.
- Laptops and flash drives will be collected by an ICT staff member for assessment.
- Year 8 and 9 iPads will be submitted here.
 Please note that junior students (Years 7- 9 are not permitted to bring laptops).

POINT 14. Check-In of Students by House Staff

- All students are expected to wear low hair and be dressed in their school uniforms and shoes.
- The students' hairstyle will be checked. Students with inappropriate hairstyles will be attended to immediately.
- Students' luggage and items will be meticulously checked.
- Any contraband items will be confiscated, labelled and documented.
- Students' luggage will be appropriately labelled and transported to the hostel.

Please ensure that your child does not have any items which are not permitted in the school in their bags. These items will be confiscated and delay the checking process for allstudents. A list of expected items has been sent to all new parents, if you require an additional copy email the Registrar, nicholas.bako@olashoreschool.com.

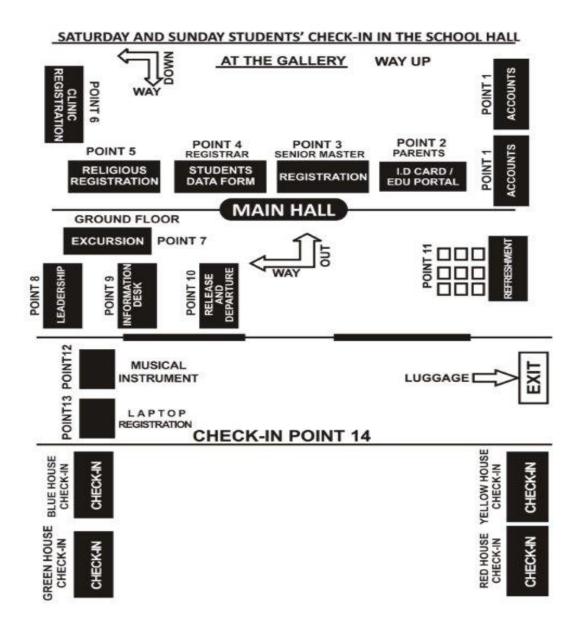






















Key dates for 2018/19 Academic Session

FIRST TERM: September 8th to December 15th 2018

Whole School Saturday 8th September – Saturday 15th December

1st Visiting Day Sunday 14th October

Speech and Prize Giving Day Saturday 10thNovember (2.00pm)

2nd Visiting Day Sunday 11thNovember

25th Anniversary School Play

Ibadan
 Friday 16th November

• Lagos Saturday 17th November

Abuja Saturday 24th November
 End of Term Exeat (Students) Saturday 15th December

Friends of Olashore Gala Night, Port Harcourt Sunday 16th December

SECOND TERM: January 12th to April 14th 2019

Whole School Saturday 12thJanuary – Saturday 6thApril

Founder's Day Saturday 9thFebruary 1st Visiting Day Sunday 10thFebruary 2nd Visiting Day Sunday 10thMarch

End of Term Exeat (Students) Saturday 6thApril

THIRD TERM: April 27th to July 13th 2019

Whole School Saturday 27th April – Saturday 13th July

Valedictory Service Saturday 8th June
Visiting Day Sunday 9th June
End of Term Exeat (Students) Saturday 13th July

Students should not be taken out of school during mid-term







