



Speech & Prize Giving Weekend Newsletter



Welcome to the Speech and Prize Giving Visiting Weekend. This weekend is one of the highlights of the year as we take the opportunity to celebrate outstanding performance across the school. During the ceremony on Saturday we will recognise students who excelled in academics, sport, performing arts and the development of 21st century skills during the 2017/18 academic session.

The 2017/18 session was a very successful year for the school both internally and externally in many ways. From an academic point of view, the first term saw the Year 12 students sit their IGCSE examinations where they achieved the best results in the history of the school. They followed this up in term 2 by achieving exceptional JAMB-UTME results with five students scoring higher than the previous highest in the school. Term 3 saw exceptional WAEC results. The term ended with the school again receiving the Top School in Nigeria award from Cambridge International Examinations as Halima Salaudeen was recognised as the best student in economics in Nigeria.

Beyond academics, students in the school achieved great success. The female football team went on an exceptional unbeaten run at the start of the year that led to them being crowned AISEN national champions. The school choir and orchestra, in addition to performing at school events also took part in national competitions with Jewel Agbara winning the best instrumentalist prize on violin. The school debate teams performed in various states across Nigeria and in March were crowned the Akintola Williams Debate national champions at the final in Lagos.

Internationally students were also recognised as Head Boy, Taslim Salaudeen, and Chidera Olalere were recognised with awards by the Council of

British International Schools (COBIS) at their conference in London. National and international recognition also came to a number of OIS alumni. Obinna Okwodu and Folarin Falana (Falz) were recognised by Forbes magazine in their 30 under 30 list, identifying outstanding potential across the continent. In addition, our guest speaker, Bode Olanipekun, who graduated from Olashore in 1999, became the youngest Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN)

As we celebrate last year's success, we continue to build on it. The Year 12 students are currently sitting their IGCSE examinations and have shown great commitment and the school debate team have been invited to take part in the COBIS Student World Debate in Bucharest. These exciting ongoing developments provide an excellent backdrop as the school celebrates its 25th anniversary.

To celebrate 25 years since Olashore International School first opened its gates there will be a wide range of events across the country. This month the school drama troupe will perform in Lagos, Ibadan and finally Abuja. We look forward to seeing many parents and friends at the event. Then in February the Founder's Day weekend will be a major celebration and we look forward to welcoming back the founding Principal, Dr. D. F. Burgess along with many special guests. February will also see the OIS 25th Anniversary Lecture take place in Lagos and we have some outstanding speakers lined up. Finally, in June, the Friends of Olashore will host a major celebration for alumni and families who have been part of the school community throughout its twenty five years.

I hope you enjoy the various activities taking place this weekend. Wishing you a safe journey to and from school.

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
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Instagram: @OlashoreSchool
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2nd Visiting Weekend Activities

This weekend there will be a number of events and parents are encouraged to attend wherever possible. Please see box below for the activities.

Saturday 10th November

10am Year 11 Roll Back Malaria Event
 (Iloko Community Health Centre)

2.00 – 4.00pm Speech & Prize Giving Ceremony

5.00 – 7.00pm Signing out of students (Hall)

Sunday 11th November

7.30 – 8.30am Religious Services

11.00 – 1.00pm Swimming Gala (Swimming Pool)

1.00 – 4.00pm Academic Open Day for All
 Students (Library Hall)

1.00 – 4.00pm Vocational Departmental Fair
 (Vocational Lab)

2.00pm GYLC meeting (OCB Room 1)

6.00pm All parents should have left the
 school compound.

Speech and Prize Giving Ceremony

The 2018 Speech and Prize Giving Day Ceremony is an event where we celebrate students who excel not only in academics but also in extracurricular activities both within and outside the school.

The event takes place on Saturday 10th November, 2018 and starts at 2.00pm prompt in the Oba Okunade Sijuwade Hall (School Hall). The Guest Speaker at the event is Barrister Olabode Olanipekun, an alumni of the school and the youngest SAN in Nigeria.

All parents are welcome.

PTA Swimming Gala

The annual PTA Swimming Gala will be held on Sunday 11th November 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.

Siblings Entrance Exams

The school is organising a special entrance examination for Olashore International School siblings who are of the school's admission age and class.

The examination will take place on Sunday 11th November, 2018 (2nd Visiting Day) at 10.00 am in the school compound.

Parents can complete the application form online from the school website (www.olashoreschool.com) or collect a copy directly from the school's Registrar via email nicholas.bako@olashoreschool.com or phone 08077124290





School Trips

Year 8 and 9 Trip to Cotonou

Parents whose child/ward participated in the trip should please remember to collect the student's suitcase at the school hall on Visiting Day, Sunday 11th November, 2018.

Year 7 Trip to Calabar

Year 7 Students will visit Calabar in May, 2019. Letters with full details of the trip were given to parents through the hostel parents on the 1st Visiting Day, 14th October, 2018 and an email sent to all Year 7 parents on the 20th October, 2018.

Year 10 and 11 Trip to France

Year 10 and 11 students will visit France in April, 2019. Letters with full details of the trip were given to parents through the hostel parents on the 1st Visiting Day, 14th October, 2018 and an email sent to all Year 10 and 11 parents on the 20th October, 2018.

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

Academic Open Day

Academic Open Day holds on Sunday 11th November, 2018 at the Library top from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Teachers will be available to answer your questions.

Departmental Fair

The Vocational Education Department will be holding a fair to showcase the students' work in subjects within this department. It will take place between 1.00pm and 4.00pm in the Vocational Education Department Building. Please note that parents can meet staff at the venue to discuss their child's progress.

Year 12

The Year 12 students who were registered for Oct./Nov. 2018 IGCSE will finish the examinations on Wednesday 14th November, 2018. They will resume classes immediately to continue with preparations for the WAEC examinations.

College Board SAT Test Dates for 2018/2019

This is to inform parents of the schedule for College board SAT tests for 2018/2019. Parents are reminded that the original international passport of their child is the only valid means of registration and identification for the tests. International passport for students writing December SAT must be submitted to Mr Rufai (08074503992) on or before 10th November, 2018.

Test Dates	Test type
December 1, 2018	SAT /SAT with Essay / SAT Subject
March 9, 2019	SAT /SAT with Essay
May 4, 2019	SAT /SAT with Essay / SAT Subject

DELFL Examination

The results of the DELFL mock examination held on 16th and 17th October have been received. The parents of students who were successful at the mock examination have been contacted on the modalities of registration for the November examination.

Parents wishing to hold further discussions on the DELFL examination can meet with the Head of Languages, Mr Taiwo Ajisafe or the Senior Master, Mr Olayinka Thomas during the Academic Open day on Sunday 11th November, 2018.





Year 11 Leadership Projects

Roll Back Malaria Project

The Year 11 Roll Back Malaria Event will be held at 10am on Saturday 10th November at Iloko Community Health Centre. Please save the date.

GYLC

Year 11 parents who gave consent for their child's participation in the GYLC are encouraged to come to OCB Room 1 by 2.00pm on Sunday 11th November for further information regarding the programme.

25th Anniversary School Play

Parents are cordially invited to the presentation of the 25th Anniversary School Play as scheduled below. We encourage parents to bring friends and family seeking boarding school education for their children in the coming years to come and learn more about what we offer at Olashore International School.

Lagos

Date: Wednesday 21st November, 2018
 Venue: MUSON Centre, Onikan, Lagos Island
 Time: 5.00 pm

Ibadan

Date: Saturday 24th November, 2018
 Venue: Art Theatre, University of Ibadan
 Time: 3.00 pm

Abuja

Date: Saturday 1st December, 2018
 Venue: National Merit Award Hall, Maitama
 Time: 5.00 pm.

Olashore Exhibition in Lagos and Port Harcourt

This is to inform parents that Olashore International School will be taking part in Shell Cooperative Investment and Thrift Society Limited (COOPLAG) exhibitions as scheduled below. We are seeking the support of parents to refer prospective parents, friends and family seeking boarding school education for their children in the coming year to come and learn more about what we offer at Olashore International School.

Shell Staff Cooperative Investment and Thrift Society Limited (COOPLAG) exhibitions.

Lagos

Date: Monday 19th – Friday 23rd November, 2018
 Time: 8.00 am – 4.00 pm
 Venue: PHCN Car Park, Marina, Lagos

Port Harcourt

Date: Monday 19th – Friday 23rd November, 2018.
 Time: 8.00 am – 4.00 pm
 Venue: Main Car Park, Shell Industrial Area, Port Harcourt.

25th Anniversary Testimonials

As we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Olashore International School, parents are welcome to share testimonials and good will messages with our online community. Our social media officer, Seun Awoyemi, will be on-hand to capture your messages after the Speech and Prize Giving Day programme in front of the school hall.





Birthday Celebrations

Parents who are interested in celebrating their child's birthday should pay a maximum of twenty thousand Naira into the school account at least a week before the birthday. The school will get the necessary items for the birthday. Under no circumstances should parents bring birthday items to school for their children. As much as possible we want to discourage rivalry among the students.

Clippers

Male students are expected to have their own personal clippers and shavers. In an attempt to avoid having regular haircuts, some of our male students deliberately do not bring their clippers to school, so we would be most grateful if parents could make it a point of duty to ensure that their wards come to school with clippers.

Jumpers

We deem it necessary to reiterate the school policy on appropriate jumpers. Students can wear plain white, grey or black jumpers ONLY. Kindly bear in mind that hooded jumpers are not allowed.

Bedding

It has come to our notice that some of our students have just one set of bedding. When this is taken to laundry they are left without proper bedding until it is returned.

We will appreciate it if parents could provide their wards with at least two sets of bedding.

Exeat Tags

Your child has been given a numbered tag. This is to enable us monitor when each student is signed out and then back in.

Please keep the tag with you and submit it to the staff at the reception or the school gate when your child is returned to the care of the school.

If you are accompanying your child to one of our religious services, please bring the tag with you.

Thank you for your cooperation.





Key dates for 2018/19 Academic Session

FIRST TERM:

September 8 to December 15 2018

Whole School	Saturday 8 th September – Saturday 15 th December
1 st Visiting Day	Sunday 14 th October
Speech and Prize Giving Day	Saturday 10 th November (2.00pm)
2 nd Visiting Day	Sunday 11 th November
25 th Anniversary School Play	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lagos • Ibadan • Abuja 	<p>Wednesday 21st November (5pm)</p> <p>Saturday 24th November (3pm)</p> <p>Saturday 1st December (5pm)</p> <p>Saturday 15th December</p>
End of Term Exeat (Students)	

SECOND TERM:

January 12 to April 14 2019

Whole School	Saturday 12 th January – Saturday 6 th April
Founder's Day	Saturday 9 th February
25th Anniversary Alumni Event	Saturday 9 th February (6pm)
1 st Visiting Day	Sunday 10 th February
25th Anniversary Lecture and Book Launch	Tuesday 12 th February
2 nd Visiting Day	Sunday 10 th March
End of Term Exeat (Students)	Saturday 6 th April

THIRD TERM:

April 27 to July 13 2019

Whole School	Saturday 27 th April – Saturday 13 th July
Valedictory Service	Saturday 8 th June
Visiting Day	Sunday 9 th June
Friends of Olashore Gala Night, Lagos	Sunday 15 th June
End of Term Exeat (Students)	Saturday 13 th July

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





Visiting Day Procedure

At Olashore International School we believe that the safety of all students is our paramount concern. This has led us to develop this policy on visitors to school.

Visiting Day Arrangements

All children will attend their religious service at 7.30am following which they will return to the hostel. Parents are welcome to join the services. Students will return to the hostel after the services. They will be accompanied to the swimming gala and return to the hostel with the hostel parents. Parents should **collect their children from the hostel** after the PTA Swimming Gala for picnics on the Water Meadow.

PARENTS are allowed into the houses, but males are not allowed into Senior House for Girls.

PLEASE NOTE SENIOR HOUSE FOR GIRLS IS OUT OF BOUNDS TO ALL MALES

Parents are allowed to rendezvous with their children in Junior House refectories. However, male students (siblings) are not allowed inside female hostels; likewise, female students (siblings) are not allowed inside male hostels.

DO NOT TAKE FOOD ITEMS INTO THE HOSTEL.

Parents should leave the hostels by 5.30pm at the latest. All parents should have left school by 6.00pm to allow students to prepare for the evening activities.

Academic Open Day

Academic Open Day for all students will take place in the Library Hall from 1.00pm to 4.00pm. The subject teachers will be available to give you an update on your child's progress and answer any questions you may have.

Vocational Departmental Fair

The Vocational Departmental Fair will take place during Visiting Day in the Vocational Lab from 1.00pm – 4.00pm

Please visit during the afternoon.

Eduportal

All student results for CA 2 are available on the Eduportal. Assistance will be available in the ICT lab for any parents who would like to check results online.

The Eduportal can be accessed via the school website on www.olashoreschool.com. If you have not received your password, please contact the Head of ICT via email on afolabi.akin@olashoreschool.com or call 0807 450 3956.

