



End of Term 1, 2018/19 Newsletter



Welcome to the final newsletter of term 1. As I write this newsletter students across the school are sitting their end of term exams and there is a very calm atmosphere across the school. The term has been very busy with students involved in a wide range of activities both inside and outside school to begin the celebrations of the school's 25th anniversary. However, it is great to see that students are able to balance involvement in drama, sports, dance, music and debate with their academic endeavours and fulfil their potential in all areas.

Academically this term has seen the Year 12 students complete their IGCSE examinations. Once again, I was impressed by the determination and diligence of students during this period. In 2017/18 the school achieved the best IGCSE results in the history of the school and the current set are determined to maintain that outstanding standard. I would like to thank all staff for the extra effort they have made during this term to support the Year 12 students both academically and in the pastoral area during this time.

Reaching beyond the classroom students have represented their houses and the school in a wide range of competitions. These have included sporting competitions, the school's traditional Independence Day march past. The House Point system, which allows students to earn points towards the House Championship through academic, sporting and 21st century skills has encouraged student to develop the full range of skills.

Nationally, once again the school debate team were crowned AISEN Debate champions. This year we entered teams in both their junior and senior categories and both teams took first place. It is great to see that the younger students are emulating the success of the seniors. We look forward to the senior debate team representing the school on the international stage next term when they take part in the COBIS World Student Debate in Romania.

Looking forward to next term, while there will be elections across Nigeria, we will continue to ensure that all school activities continue as normal. As the Presidential election is scheduled for 16th February, the school's Founder's Day celebrations have been scheduled for Saturday 9th February, which will also coincide with the first Visiting Day of the term. As this year is the 25th anniversary of the school we expect Founder's Day to be a major event and we look forward to welcoming as many parents as possible. In the evening the Alumni of the school are also organising a dinner, so the weekend should be an excellent opportunity to celebrate the history of Olashore International School. The events on Saturday mean that our Founder's Day Athletics programme will take place in the stadium on Sunday morning following religious services, I hope as many parents as possible are able to join us and we can make it a great day for the children to display their talents.

I would just like to finish by wishing everyone a safe trip to and from school and an enjoyable holiday. I look forward to seeing you either this weekend or in January as students return to school.

Derek Smith

Principal and CEO





Information For Parents

The following information is to make you aware of the arrangements for Visiting Day. 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.

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School Fees

The school wishes to appreciate our esteemed parents towards ensuring the payment of their ward(s) fees despite the prevailing economic situation in the country.

The term 2 bill is included in the envelope given to each student and parents are enjoined to pay the term 2 fees in full on or before the start of the term i.e. Saturday 12th January, 2019.

In line with the decision of the Board, the term 2 and 3 bills for Year 12 students are prepared together for payment, since the students will be in school during the Easter holiday.

Please note that management and staff are not allowed to sign any undertaking for fees deferment or part payment of school fees.

Monthly Payment of School Fees

The school allows parents to pay their ward(s) fees on a 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 accounts department on 08107232901 and/or through email: account@olashoreschool.com for further details.

Educational Fair in Bonny Island

This is to inform parents that Olashore International School will be participating in RA International School (formerly NLGN School) education fair 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 years to come and learn more about what we offer at Olashore International School.

Date: Saturday, 19th January 2019
Time: 10.00am – 2.00pm
Venue: RA International School Education, Bonny Island.

Olashore Annual Open Events in 2019

The Olashore Open Event is part of our outreach strategy to meet with our parents across Nigeria and in the United Kingdom. The event is also designed to encourage our current parents to bring 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. The event is hosted by Prince Abimbola Olashore (Chairman, Board of Governors) and Mr. D.K Smith (Principal & CEO) and supported by current and past parents of Olashore.

The dates of the events are shown overleaf





Olashore Annual Open Events in 2019

January 19th, 2019

Port-Harcourt Open Event at Novotel Hotel, 3 Stadium road, Rumuomasi, Port-Harcourt.

January 20th, 2019

Abuja Open Event at BON Hotel, Bola Ige Street, Asokoro, Abuja.

January 25th, 2019

Ibadan Open Event at Adis Hotel, 1, Akinsehinwa Street, Off Favos / Mr. Biggs Junction, New Bodija, Ibadan.

January 26th, 2019

Lagos Open Event at Radisson Blu Lagos Ikeja, Isaac John Street, G.R.A, Ikeja, Lagos.

January 27th, 2019

Warri Open Event at BON Hotel, KLM 3 NPA Expressway, Ekpan, Warri.

February 2nd, 2019

UK Open event at The Hilton London Paddington, 146, Praed Street, London, W2 1EE, United Kingdom.

March 30th, 2019

Akure Open event at Sunview Hotel, No 8 El-Shaddai Road G.R.A., Alagbaka Estate Akure.

March 31st, 2019

Ekiti Open event at Midas Hotel, 15-16, Midas Avenue, Iworoko Road, Ado Ekiti.

All open events in Nigeria start at 4.00pm while UK open start at 3.00pm.

Students' Result

Students' results for Term 1, 2018/19 session will be released on Thursday 20th December, 2018 by 12 noon. Year 7-12 results can be accessed on Eduportal.

Year 12 IGCSE Result

IGCSE results will be released on Thursday 17th January, 2019. Students who took the IGCSE examination did not take the Term 1 Examination. When their results are released, it will be mailed to parents and copies will be given to the students.

Year 12 Mock Examination

Externally moderated Mock Examination (WASSCE) will start on Monday 21st January, 2019. Results will be available on the Second Visiting Day of Term 2.

Year 12 JAMB, WAEC, SAT and IELTS Registration

Registration of Year 12 students for these examinations have commenced. A form is sent home with the students for parents to confirm the entry details for these examinations. The form should be submitted at the senior master's table during the term 2 resumption exercise. Correction on the entries will not be feasible after term 2 resumption (January 13th 2019).

IELTS Tests

This is to inform parents that IELTS UK-VI and IELTS standard tests have been scheduled for Thursday 23rd May, 2019.

College Board SAT Tests

This is to inform parents that registration for March 9 SAT / SAT with Essay will close on December 31st 2018. Parents 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
March 9, 2019	SAT /SAT with Essay
May 4, 2019	SAT /SAT with Essay / SAT Subject.





Work Experience

During the Easter vacation all Year 11 students are expected to take part in a two-week work experience programme. The aim of the programme is to provide students with the opportunity to gain experience of the world of work. This experience can prove useful in gaining university entrance and scholarships as well as future employment.

If possible, we would like parents to secure a slot for their child and inform the school of the company he/she will be undertaking his/her work experience programme with on resumption.

Year 10 and 11 Trip to France

Year 10 and 11 Students will be going to France in April, 2019. A letter containing items needed for the trip is enclosed in an envelope to be taken home by all Year 10 and 11 students who have registered for the excursion. Parents who have registered their child/ ward for the trip are expected to submit all documents as listed below on resumption day Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th January, 2019. A table will be set-up in the school hall for this purpose.

- **Student's International Passport (must be valid until 31st October, 2019)**
- **Student's Father's International Passport data page**
- **Student's Mother's International Passport data page**
- **Student's birth certificate**
- **Student's Parents' Bank statement (for 6 months)**
- **Student's Parents' consent letter written and signed by both parents either separately or jointly.**

The packing list, visa application form and the medical forms for the trip are also enclosed in the same envelope. Parents should ensure that both

the visa application form and the medical forms are filled and returned to school on resumption.

Year 7 Calabar/Obudu Excursion

Year 7 students will be going to Calabar in May, 2019. A letter containing items needed for the trip is enclosed in an envelope to be taken home by all Year 7 students who have registered for the excursion. Parent who have registered their child/ ward for the trip are expected to submit all documents as listed below on term 3 resumption day Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th April, 2019. A table will be set-up at the school hall for this purpose.

- **Student's Parents' consent form/letter signed by both parents**
- **Packing list for the trip (items packed in a medium size travelling bag and brought to school on term 3 resumption day)**

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

Community Service

All Year 10 students will be involved in community service programme in Iloko town. The task to be undertaken this year is completion of perimeter wall fence of the Iloko Community Town Hall and the students will be accompanied by teachers and other professionals to ensure it is successful.

A certificate of participation will be presented to each student at the end of the programme.

The cost of the community service is N40, 500 per student this covers feeding and materials for the refurbishing. This will be charged into the student's bill for the term two 2018/2019.





Nigeria is a Country

This session's edition of 'Africa is Not a Country' is one for celebrating unity in diversity in Nigeria especially because it's an election year. It is tagged 'Nigeria is a Country'. Students are therefore expected to carry out research on facts around history and culture of the states they will be representing. They are also expected to be clad in the traditional wear of the state their representatives picked as listed below. Kindly help your child prepare adequately for this rare opportunity to celebrate our country Nigeria.

S/N	YEAR	STATES
1	7L	Bayelsa, Borno and Ogun
2	7E	Kebbi, Delta and Gombe
3	8L	Sokoto, Adamawa and Osun
4	8E	Jigawa, Nasarawa and Imo
5	9L	Kaduna, Akwa-Ibom and Lagos
6	9E	Ebonyi, Kano and Kwara
7	10L	Plateau, Oyo and Anambra
8	10E	Niger, Zamfara and Rivers
9	10A	Taraba, Benue and Edo
10	11L	Cross River, Bauchi and Yobe
11	11E	Ondo, Enugu and Kogi
12	11A	Abia, Ekiti and Katsina

Year 9 and 10 Leadership Projects

Year 9's plan to place both natural and artificial ornamental plants around the classroom area; each class will have one flowerpot that they are to collectively take care of. While;

Year 10's intend to come forth with paintings, crafts, posters and various display for beautification and even as teaching aids for the local authority primary school in Iloko.

We encourage parents to support their children realize these aspirations.

School Clinic

Parents are kindly reminded to ensure that whatever medication their wards return to school with is duly handed over to the school doctor.

Parents are also advised to update the health information on their wards. This will include newly diagnosed conditions, recent surgeries or updates on pre-existing medical conditions. The information provided will aid in ensuring adequate follow up/care for the student while in school.

Dress Code at Resumption

On resumption, all students are expected to wear low hair and be dressed in their school uniforms and shoes. Students are not permitted to do the following; wear hair extensions, be clad in their house wear or wear crocs. Kindly note that students who are inappropriately attired and groomed will not be checked in.

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.

Footwear and Bracelets

It important to note that students are only permitted to wear black sandals and "crocs" with their house wear. Under no circumstances are students allowed to wear contrary footwear, particularly when they are leaving the hostels for the school area. Parents should endeavor to provide their children with the recommended footwear.





Sports

Students should come with following equipment for soccer and badminton:

- Shin guards
- Soccer boots
- Ankle guards
- Badminton racquet
- Soccer Socks
- Trainers

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.

Nail Cutters

Since students are expected to keep short nails, it would be worthwhile to provide them with appropriate nail cutters. We do not allow our students to cut their nails with razor blades.

End of Term Luggage

We will like to suggest that at the end of each term students should go home with at most two luggage. We assure you that students personal effects left in school will be safe.

Birthday Celebrations

Parents who are interested in celebrating their child's birthday should pay a maximum of twenty thousand naira (N20,000) 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.





Olashore Entrance Examination Dates

Olashore Entrance Examination in 2019

This entrance is open to the general public, referrals and transfers into Year 7, 8 and 10. All applications should be forwarded to info@olashoreschool.com

Entrance Examination Dates in 2018

City	Centre	Dates
FCT, Abuja	Premier International School, Wuse 2, Abuja	Saturday, January 26 th , 2019.
Port Harcourt, Rivers State	Montessori International School, Phase 2, 64 King Perekule Street, G.R.A, Port Harcourt, Rivers State.	
Warri, Delta State	Lakeland School, Ogunnu Warri, Delta State.	Saturday, February 23 rd , 2019.
Lagos	Olashore International School Lagos Liaison Office 281 Ajoye Adeogun Street, Victoria Island, Lagos State.	Saturday, March 9 th , 2019.
Ibadan, Oyo State.	Sonbeam Preparatory School, No 1, Sonbeam Crescent, New Bodija Ibadan, Oyo State.	
Iloko, Osun State	Olashore International School, Iloko Ijesa, Osun State.	Saturday, March 30 th , 2019.





Key dates for 2018/19 Academic Session

FIRST TERM:

September 8 to December 15 2018

Whole School

Saturday 8th September – Saturday 15th December

SECOND TERM:

January 12 to April 14 2019

Whole School

Saturday 12th January – Saturday 6th April

25th Anniversary Founder's Day in Iloko

Saturday 9th February

25th Anniversary Alumni Event

Saturday 9th February (6pm)

1st Visiting Day

Sunday 10th February

25th Anniversary Lecture and Book Launch

Tuesday 12th February

2nd Visiting Day

Sunday 10th March

25th Anniversary School Play, Akure

Thursday 14th March

End of Term Exeat (Students)

Saturday 6th April

THIRD TERM:

April 27 to July 13 2019

Whole School

Saturday 27th April – Saturday 13th July

Valedictory Service

Saturday 8th June

Visiting Day

Sunday 9th June

Friends of Olashore Gala Night, Lagos

Sunday 15th June

End of Term Exeat (Students)

Saturday 13th July

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

