



End of Term 2, 2018/19 Newsletter



Welcome to the end of term newsletter for Term 2. This has been a busy term where we celebrated our 25th anniversary with an outstanding Founder's Day programme. It was a pleasure to see the school recognised as the benchmark in leadership development by the Governors of both Osun State and Ekiti State as well as the Ooni of Ife. The talks given by the First Lady of Ekiti and the Ooni were an inspiration to students, encouraging them to take on the mantle of leadership. The Founder's Day programme was also an opportunity for our students to show their wide range of talents and I would like to put on record my thanks and appreciation of all students involved in making the day a success. The preparatory work done behind the scenes by our Cultural Dance Troupe, Choir and team of MCs is amazing and the guests commented on their outstanding performances. Founder's Day also saw the launch of the OISA Foundation. The foundation aims to support and expand the work that the school and students do in the local community. This includes student led health initiatives like the "Are You Sporty?" programme that students organised this term, the malaria awareness programme and the Health Centre renovation undertaken by Year 11. It also includes support for the work students do in local primary schools, including the tutorial lessons for children in those schools. I was pleased to welcome the Director of Schools for Osun State last month when we hosted a Primary School debate competition as part of our 25th anniversary celebrations. It was wonderful to see the talent displayed by the children from the

local government primary schools as they debated on a range of child centred topics. The OISA Foundation will also allow us to increase the scholarships available for children from these primary schools to attend Olashore International School. These scholarships have been an outstanding success with students excelling academically, often taking first position in their year, as well as representing the school in sport, drama and taking leadership roles in the school.

The most senior student leadership roles, prefects for 2019-20, have now been selected. The successful candidates will be announced in the last assembly of the term. I would like to congratulate all the Year 11 students who put themselves forward for the role. It is a challenging yet rewarding role and the selection process is rigorous, involving all members of the school community. Choosing the final group was very difficult this year as there were so many outstanding candidates and all students who put themselves forward emerged with credit.

As the newly elected prefects prepare to take on their responsibilities in Term 3, I would like to say thank you to the outgoing prefects. Once again, the prefects have been a credit to the school, organising a wide range of activities for students as well as acting as role models for the younger students. As all Year 12 students now focus on their WASSCE and JAMB-UTME we wish them great success and are confident that the results will be a credit to themselves, their families and the school.

I would like to wish everyone a safe journey home and an enjoyable Easter Break.

Derek Smith
Principal and CEO





Information for Parents

The following information is to make you aware of the arrangements for the end of term. 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)
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School Fees

The school wishes to appreciate our dear parents for the payment of their ward(s) school fees during this period of economic downturn.

The Term 3 bill is included in the envelope given to each student and parents are enjoined to pay their ward(s) Term 3 fee(s) in full on or before Saturday 26th April, 2019.

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

Monthly Payment of School Fees

The school allows parents to pay fees on a monthly basis. This is subject to the receipt by the school of an acknowledged copy of a direct debit instruction from the parent's bank.

Please contact the accounts department of the school for further details via email

account@olashoreschool.com or phone number 08107232901.

Olashore International School Scholarship and Open Weekend

This is to inform parents that the *Scholarship and Open Weekend* will take place from Friday 14th to Sunday 16th, June 2019 at the school premises in Iloko-Ijesa. The academic scholarship examination is open to all Year 7 candidates who have received and accepted an offer of admission from the school.

Admission is still in progress

Admission for the 2019/20 academic session is still in progress. Examinations will be conducted in the school and at the Lagos Liaison Office, 281 Ajose Adeogun Street, Victoria Island, Lagos. For further details, send an email to info@olashoreschool.com or call 08076723527.

School Trips

Year 10 and 11 Trip to France

Year 10 and 11 students will be travelling to France during the vacation. They will be visiting the historic sites of Normandy, as well as taking in the landmarks of Paris. Please follow their adventures on the school social media platforms.

Year 7 Trip to Calabar

Year 7 students will be going to Calabar in May 2019. A letter containing items needed for the trip was enclosed in the envelope taken home at the end of Term 1 by all Year 7 students who have registered for the excursion. Parents who registered their child/ward for the trip are expected to submit the **parents' consent form, signed by both parents**, during the resumption exercise on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th April, 2019. A table will be set-up in the school hall for this purpose.

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





Prospect Hangout

This event is designed to reach out to prospective parents in Lagos. We encourage current parents to invite friends and family seeking boarding school education for their children for the next school year to come and learn more about an Olashore education.

Date: 11th May 2019.
Time: 2pm
Venues: Radisson Blu, 1A
Ozumba Mbadiwe Ave,
Victoria Island, Lagos.

Term 2 Results

Students' results for Term 2, 2018/19 session will be released on Thursday 11th April, 2019 by 12 noon. Year 7-11 results can be accessed on the Eduportal.

Year 12

Year 12 students will start their WASSCE on Wednesday 8th April 2018, with the last exam ending on Thursday 30th May, 2019. The Year 12 students will remain in school throughout the Term 2 vacation.

Those who are not registered for IELTS examination can be taken out the school after they have completed their last paper, which will either be on Friday 24th May, Wednesday 29th May or Friday 31st May, depending on the subjects they are taking. Parents who wish to take their children out of school when their last exam is over are kindly requested to write ahead and request for an exeat.

Students registered for IELTS may be released after the IELTS examination, which is scheduled for 1st June 2019. Once again, parents who wish to take their children out of school when IELTS is over are kindly requested to write ahead and request for an exeat.

A separate letter has gone to Year 12 parents, explaining visiting arrangements during the Easter vacation.

JAMB/UTME is tentatively scheduled for 11th April to 14th April. Arrangements are still being finalised and we will update you when we have more information.

All Year 12 are expected to have returned back to school no later than 6pm on Thursday 6th June in preparation for their Valedictory Service on Saturday 8th June, 2019.

Year 11

Final examinations are just around the corner for Year 11 students, who have now completed their IGCSE mock examinations. The results of these mock exams will then determine whether students have achieved the minimum standard needed for them to qualify to be entered for the final IGCSE exams in October/November. The results of the mock examinations will be forwarded to parents no later than Friday 12th April, 2019. A letter with details of the registration process will also be sent home with the students. The registration form attached to the letter should be completed and submitted at the Senior Master's table during Term 3 resumption, 27th/28th April, 2019.

Year 9

Early Resumption of Year 9. The first exam in the BECE Timetable takes place on Thursday April 25th so Year 9 students have been asked to resume early on Monday 22nd April. Resumption time for Year 9 students will be from 10am until 6pm.





Blended Learning and Technology

All students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will be going home with their iPads. They are expected to bring them when they resume.

Students are encouraged to make full use of their iPads during the holiday, either for study or for recreational use. However, we urge parents to monitor their children's use of iPads, especially when they are online.

Students have been made aware that they should not have any unauthorised material on their iPads when they return to school.

Leadership

Global Youth Leadership Conference in the US

There have been some delays with Nomination I.D.s for students who indicated interest in the GYLC programme this year. We are in touch with Envision and while some Nomination I.D.s are yet to be received, those who have received theirs are encouraged to proceed with the registration.

In the event of any difficulties with registration for GYLC, please contact Muhammad Hassan on mhassan@envisionexperience.com and copy leadership@olashoreschool.com to follow up.

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 work in a non-academic setting. This experience can prove useful in gaining university entrance and scholarships, as well as in securing future employment.

Each student will be required to present a typewritten report at the end of their work experience to be submitted to the school on Term 3 resumption through the Leadership Coordinator.

If you have secured a slot for your child and communicated it to the school, an introductory letter and evaluation form has been included in your child's holiday pack and should be delivered to the company.

If you are yet to secure a slot for your child kindly do so. A generic letter introducing him/her to the company will be included in the holiday pack and an evaluation form.

Community Service

From 23rd-27th April 2019, Year 10 students will be involved in a community service programme in Iloko town. The task to be undertaken this year is the completion of a perimeter wall fence for the Iloko Community Town Hall and the students will be accompanied by teachers and other professionals to ensure this task is successfully completed.

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

All Year 10 students are therefore expected to be back in school on the 22nd of April 2019. Resumption time for Year 10 students will be from 10am until 6pm.

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

Year 9 and 10 Leadership Projects

For their Leadership project Year 9 students plan to place both natural and artificial ornamental plants around their classroom area; each class will have one flowerpot that they are to collectively take care of.

They are also taking on the responsibility of providing clean and potable water to the Iloko community. They have plans to repair four boreholes in the Iloko community. You can partner with them by donating through their GoFundMe link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/manage/xy99j-clean-water-and-sanitation>.





Year 10 students have planned to come forth with paintings, crafts, posters and various displays for the beautification of the local authority primary school in Iloko. They also hope that some of these may serve as teaching aids.

We encourage parents to support their children in realising their aspirations with these projects.

Nigeria is a Country

This session's edition of *'Africa is Not a Country'* will be dedicated to celebrating unity in diversity in Nigeria. The event has been tagged *'Nigeria is a Country'*. Students are expected to carry out research into the history and culture of the states their representatives have chosen, and they are also expected to be clad for the event in the traditional wear of their chosen state. Kindly help your child prepare adequately for this special opportunity to celebrate our country Nigeria. This table shows the states represented by each class:

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

Bett MEA 2019

We are delighted to announce that we have once again partnered with Bett MEA; the region's leading education technology leadership summit and exhibition. As you will recall the Principal was invited to speak at the 2018 summit, sharing the school's experience of developing leaders through the Social Change Model of Leadership.

The summit returns to Abu Dhabi on 22-23 April 2019, the event is set to welcome 3,000+ senior education leaders, educators and innovators from across the Middle East and Africa region to celebrate the future of education and discuss how to ultimately improve student outcomes.

The 2019 Summit will hone in on the key theme **'Building a successful change culture to meet the evolving needs of 21st-century citizens.'**

As part of the partnership, parents of students at Olashore will be able to join the Bett MEA 2019 Expo for free

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If you would like further details, please email info@olashoreschool.com





College Board SAT Tests

This is to inform all parents that SAT tests will take place on Saturday 4th May, 2019. Parents are reminded that the original international passport of their child is the only valid means of registration and identification for the tests.

Test Date	Test type
May 4, 2019	SAT /SAT with Essay / SAT Subject

IELTS Tests

This is to inform Year 12 parents that IELTS tests have been scheduled for Saturday, 1st June, 2019.

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.

Amendment of School Uniforms

It has come to our notice that some of our male students slim-fit their school uniforms during the holidays, making the trousers look uncomfortably tight. It is strictly against school policy to alter the uniforms in any manner whatsoever. We would appreciate if no such adjustments are made. Amended uniforms will be confiscated.

Jumpers

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

End of Term Luggage

We would like to repeat our request that at the end of Term 1 and 2 students should go home with at most two items of luggage. We assure you that students' personal effects left in school will be safe.

Parental Permission for signing out

When somebody other than the parent is signing out the student, the parent granting permission should provide the full name of the responsible adult, relationship to student, address, mobile number and a scanned photo of their I.D. and the parent's Olashore International School identity card.

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.

Bedding

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



Key dates for 2018/19 Academic Session

Second Term: January 12 to April 6 2019

End of Term Exeat (Students) Saturday 6th April

Third Term: April 14 to July 13 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

Provisional Key dates for 2019/20 Academic Session

First Term: September 7 to December 14 2019

Speech and Prize Giving Day Saturday 12th October
1st Visiting Day Sunday 13th October
2nd Visiting Day Sunday 10th November

Second Term: January 11 to March 28 2020

Founder's Day Saturday 15th February
Visiting Day Sunday 16th February

Third Term: April 18 to July 11 2020

1st Visiting Day Sunday 17th May
Valedictory Service Saturday 13th June
2nd Visiting Day Sunday 14th June

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