



December 2021

To your enemy, forgiveness. To an opponent, tolerance. To a friend, heart. To a customer, service. To all, charity. To every child, a good example. To you, respect.

— *Oren Arnold*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of term 1. The term has gone fast and much has been achieved. We would like to thank you all for your support over the past term. We appreciate the feedback you have given us and be assured we value the partnership that we have with you.

When we look over the term, we can appreciate all the hard work and diligence of staff and students, we have shown that when we have discipline and a strong work ethic, success follows.

We would like in a special way commend the year 7 students and new students in other year groups, they have settled well and should be proud of what they have accomplished over the course of their first term in British International School (BIS).

So, end of term examinations has come and gone, and now we all take a well-earned break. Over the course of this 'holiday', may I make a special request that you really spend time with your children, be mindful of their use of social media and encourage them to be grateful for all they have in their lives. At this time of year, it is often the case that we will receive gifts, may we also take time to remember and to give to those less fortunate than ourselves.

In the course of this newsletter, you will find some important information and dates for the new term, we ask you to take special note of these.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Senior Leadership Team, and the entire BIS Community, my wife and I would like to wish you a happy and peaceful holiday. We hope that the new year of 2022, will be one of peace, prosperity and health for all of you and your families and the entire British International School (BIS) community.

Best wishes,

Kevin Donnelly



End of Term Reports

The end of Term 1 (Michaelmas Term) reports will be sent via email on Thursday 16th December and Friday 17th December. In the near future we intend to send a link for parents to access reports and daily information via our Parent's Portal.

Resumption for Term 2 (Lent Term)

As previously stated in the term dates sent at the beginning of the new academic year, the new term begins on Monday 10th January 2022. We would encourage any student who intends to travel outside the country to arrive back to Nigeria by the 2nd January to enable them to undertake the Federal Government mandatory 7-day self- isolation period. We have decided upon the following:

Monday 10th January – Wednesday 12th January 2022 – All lessons will be on-line only

Thursday 13th January 2022 PTC (years 7-9) 8am till 12noon (New Horizons)

Friday 14th January 2022 PTC (years 10-13) 8am till 12noon (New Horizons)

Sunday 16th January 2022 Boarding Students return to school (entry closes at 5pm)

Monday 17th January 2022 Physical Lessons resume (all students should be in school by 7.55am)

Requirements for Entry to School (Resumption)

As we are very aware a new COVID variant is spreading quite rapidly across the World. We are also very conscious that the number of COVID cases in Nigeria are also on the rise with the largest number being found in Lagos state. With this being the case, we wish to inform you that all students and staff will require to have a **negative PCR test** no later than **72 hours before resumption** (16th January for boarders and 17th January for day students.). The negative result should either be sent to the health unit at healthunit@bisnigeria.org or you may bring it with you on the day of resumption. To assist with this requirement, the school has arranged a discounted fee for the PCR tests with the following health providers:

Arrive Alive Diagnostics and Imaging

Ikoyi Location

13, Bourdillon Road,

Ikoyi

Opening hours: 8am to 5pm

Surulere location

35, Cole Street,

Off Mabo Street,

Ojuelegba

Surulere

Opening hours: 8am to 3pm

Process Flow: Log onto <http://aadisbooking.com/>

Book a lab test

Choose Corporate/Bulk Testing

Bulk ID: 0048

Contact Person: 08165669872

Cost: 35,000 naira

Evercare Hospital

Lekki Phase 1

Code: BIS

Cost: 40,000 naira

Please note the discounts above are only valid for the 'back to school' PCR

Holiday Assignments

Although we are at the end of term 1, the learning never ends. We would refer you to your Satchel accounts, holiday assignments have been posted by subject tutors. This is especially important for students in years 11-13.

Dubai World Games

After much thought and discussion, the school has decided that we will Not participate in the above games due in February 2022. The number of cases of the new variant by scientific calculations are due to spread rapidly in January and February of 2022. We are also mindful of the ongoing disputes with regards to direct flights to Dubai. The health and safety of all our students and staff have to be our number one priority, given the above reasons we cannot guarantee this. We thank all parents for the support shown during the training, we are looking at organising competitions nearer home over the course of 2022.

#See it! Say it! Campaign

The school is very conscious of its responsibility to keep all students and staff safe, whether on health grounds, security or from emotional harm. To this end, we are launching a campaign to encourage all the BIS community to speak out when they see something which is wrong. We have placed 'See it! Say it! Boxes around the campus and have also set up an anonymous email address for anyone wishing to report seeitsayit@bisnigeria.org

LAMDA CENTRE

We are delighted to announce that the school has now become a London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts (LAMDA) examination centre. Our students in years 7 to 9 during their drama lessons will be taught by instructors from LAMDA and will at the end of the course be entered for an external examination marked by examiners from UK. www.lamda.ac.uk

External Examination Registration

As we have just concluded our pre-mock examinations for years 11-13, we would like to advise that the registration period for these examinations is from 21st December until 9th February 2022, further information regarding this will be sent to the parents of these year groups next week.

Entrance Examinations for session 2022/2023

The next examinations for those wishing admission for next session will take place on the following dates:

Saturday 22nd January 2022

Saturday 12th March 2022

For further information please contact the Registrar. registrar@bisnigeria.org

Events Calendar for Term 2

We will publish the calendar for Term 2 in the newsletter of 7th January 2022

Term Dates for rest of the session

Holiday Surprise

We ask that you pay special attention to your email and the school Instagram page on Thursday 23rd December for a special treat from us to you!! **bisnigeria**

