



OLASHORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Since 1994

Our Mission Statement

Olashore International School is a learning community committed to academic excellence, nurturing each child to their full potential in a safe and serene environment, developing leaders for the dynamic global society in the 21st century.



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Welcome address by the Principal



Olashore International School was founded in 1994 by Oba Oladele Olashore (CON) to compete with its counterparts around the world and provide an international standard education in Nigeria. Since its first set of students the school has gained a reputation for academic excellence, inculcating the right values in its students and equipping them to be 21st century leaders.

Providing world class learning is the foundation of the school and throughout our history we have constantly updated our practice to ensure that our teachers remain at the forefront of educational best practice. Our teachers are exposed to best practices around the world through in-service training online and by visits to leading schools across Africa and the world. Our close links with Lancaster University and Bradford College in the UK allow regular exchanges with education experts from these institutions whilst allowing staff to spend extended periods in schools and colleges in the U.K.

An Olashore education is about much more than academic excellence. As you will read in our mission statement, our commitment is to nurture each child to their full potential. How we achieve this is by developing targets for each child, both academic and extra-curricular. These include targets for each subject but also targets in sport, music and drama etc. so that the whole child is developed. We then provide opportunities for students to display these talents both in school through our concerts and exhibitions and outside school through performances of our renowned school play and local and international competitions.

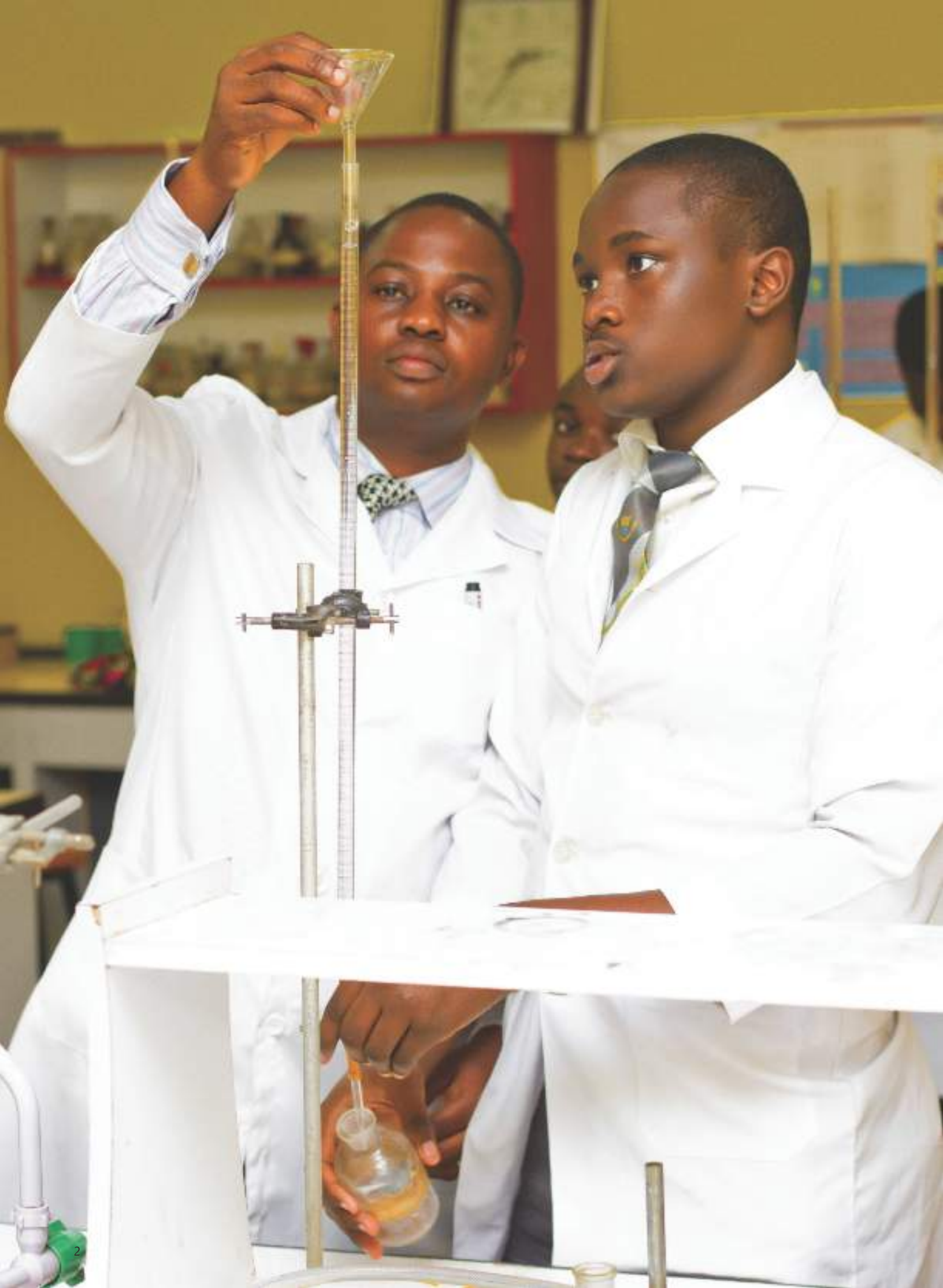
However, at the core of an Olashore education, is our founder's vision to develop young men and women who are firmly rooted in Nigeria but are 21st century leaders in the dynamic global society. Our Social Responsibility and Leadership programmes are key to this. At Olashore we understand that social responsibility isn't optional, it is the reason for our existence as a school. The founder sited Olashore International School so that it could be firmly embedded into the local community. Staff and students support developments within the community through our community service programmes and scholarship opportunities are available for exceptional students from local schools. Students are challenged to lead these programmes and also the school's wider social programmes including work with primary schools across Nigeria to develop critical thinking skills through the annual Primary School Challenge and the support of Nigerian arts through the school play.

At Olashore our students are our leaders; our confidence in their ability to prepare and manage world class events has been rewarded time and again. This is how we know that each Olashore graduate has the capacity and confidence to take the lead in any situation.

I hope you will take the opportunity to visit the school to enjoy our serene and safe environment and to see in action the work that the school is doing to develop Nigeria's next generation of leaders.



D.K. Smith, Principal/CEO





World Class Learning

Every child deserves a great education and at Olashore International School, we make this a reality. Olashore International School is a private co-educational boarding school of 600 students which offers high quality education in a wide range of subjects at junior secondary, senior secondary and a University Foundation Programme in partnership with Lancaster University, UK.

Our Curriculum

Olashore International School is a six year college that offers both national and international curriculum. We follow the West African Examination Council (WAEC) and the Cambridge International Examination (CIE) curriculum for junior and senior secondary school.

We are an accredited Cambridge International Centre for Checkpoint examination and IGCSE and also a Test centre for selected America College Board Tests including PSAT, SAT and ACT.

Outstanding Academic Record

As a learning community committed to academic excellence, we have gained a reputation over two decades for academic excellence, inculcating right values in our students and equipping them for life. Our students have consistently performed brilliantly obtaining 100 percent pass mark (A-C). The school has won several laurels over the years some of which include the National Cowbell Mathematics Competition, Securities & Exchange Commission National Essay Competition, AISEN Debate Competition and National Mathematics and Science Olympiad.

Quality of Learning

As a school, we offer personalised learning experience and excellent teaching to our students, while supporting their all round development in a safe and serene environment. The teachers work with the students to help them set specific, challenging, achievable and measurable targets which are regularly reviewed and monitored.

Our teaching staff comprises committed, inspiring and highly qualified teachers who stay abreast of current trends in teaching so as to ensure high standard of learning for students. They teach using the active

teaching/learning methods involving the students. Students benefit from the excellent student-teacher ratio with our class sizes allowing our teachers to cater for each child as an individual. The teachers are not only concerned about the students' academic excellence, they are concerned for them as individuals. To make certain that each child reaches their full potential, they are placed in classes according to their abilities to ensure effective monitoring.

An Olashore education is about nurturing each child to their full potential by allowing their total needs to be met, not just the academics but also their spiritual and moral development, musical and performing talents as well as sporting abilities.

We remain committed to developing leaders for the 21st century.







Students Leadership Opportunities

Leadership is one of the key qualities that make our graduates stand out and for this reason it is embedded in all activities in the school. In all its workings, the school emphasises the development of responsible disciplined individuals who possess the ability to think clearly, logically and independently as participating members of the society. In line with our mission statement of producing 21st century leaders, the school has a leadership programme for all students and we begin to develop their leadership skills right from admission.

There are numerous leadership opportunities available and students are encouraged to take up responsibilities. Leadership positions available include leading a Student Club, serving on the School Council's Upper and Lower Chambers (which is open to all students), House Prefects, Class Captains, Refectory Captains, House Captains, Dorm Captains, Special Duties Captains, Group Coordinators, and the School Prefects selected annually from Year 12. The School Prefect position remains the highest leadership position in the school and is branded the Face of Leadership within the school.

Aside the titled positions, there are other leadership opportunities for the students such as playing lead roles in school productions, coordinating and anchoring school events, planning and executing mid-term carnivals, leading an excursion group among others.

The leadership model promoted in the school is the social change model, expecting Olashore leaders to impact the world. The change model is based on the 7 C's:

- Consciousness of self
- Congruence
- Commitment
- Collaboration
- Common purpose
- Controversy with civility
- Citizenship

The various leadership opportunities across the school enable the students to develop and demonstrate their leadership abilities while exhibiting their initiative and creativity before they move on to the larger society.





Sports Development

Sport is built into the structured programme at Olashore International School. The school boasts of a world class stadium (Dr. David Burgess Stadium) with football fields, athletics tracks, a swimming pool, basket ball, volley ball and tennis courts. These facilities, along with our passionate staff, will give your child the right environment to discover and develop his or her sporting ability.

Students are encouraged to be actively involved in at least one sport area to maintain physical and mental fitness as well as pursue their individual passion for other sports. Our students take part in a wide range of sporting activities and board games such as soccer, basketball, swimming, athletics, chess, scrabble, volley ball, and tennis. They also take part in intra and inter school competitions and have enjoyed notable sporting success in these competitions.





Information and Communication Technology

At Olashore International School, we are committed to ensuring that our graduates are prepared for the dynamic global society in the 21st century. One of our stated objectives within this commitment is to develop students who are able to use technology to take control of their own learning and use technology effectively to learn. This is balanced with the need to ensure that students learn to use the internet safely.

Within the school we have both fibre optic and wireless networks that allow staff and students to connect to the school intranet, use the school server to back up their work and allow teachers to use central resources in every classroom.

Access to the world wide web is available through the central server but this is carefully managed and monitored to ensure it is not abused. We have recently upgraded our internet connection from a VSAT network to a wireless point to point connection providing us with high speed internet access via a fibre optic backbone.

Each classroom is fitted with state of the art projectors and teachers have access to a wide range of bespoke software to ensure that children are exposed to the most modern teaching practices. The school is developing a Virtual Learning Environment which will allow students to extend their learning through directed online research projects.

As part of our determination to remain at the forefront of educational technology we are currently exploring the role out of iPad based learning across the school. We have developed a partnership with Samuel Lister Academy, a pilot iPad school in the UK, and will be rolling out the iPad programme across the school in a carefully managed project that we believe is unique in Nigeria.

In addition to learning through technology we also use technology to ensure that parents are fully up to date with all activities in the school and their child's progress. Whether your preferred communication method is SMS, Facebook, twitter, Linked In or email we will keep you informed. You can track your child's progress on our bespoke Eduportal which is constantly being developed to ensure you are fully involved in your child's development at Olashore International School.





Music and Performing Arts

Music and other performing arts play a vital role in the education offered at Olashore International School. To support performing arts, we have a purpose built drama studio, music room and a recording studio. We have upgraded the audio system in our main hall to ensure that all performances are supported by state of the art technology.

Among the numerous benefits, incorporating performing arts in the life of a child, provides an avenue for self expression, communications and creativity. Drama and music are part of the school curriculum and also a school club. Be it dance, music or drama, the students have a lot of opportunities to perform and showcase their skills.

Drama

All our students have a chance to be involved in the various productions which hold within and outside the school including the annual school play. The annual play which is performed at the MUSON Centre in Lagos has been known to pull a large crowd including notable playwrights and actors and has also drawn the attention of the media. Not only do students get involved in the performance, they also extend the skills to other aspects of theatre such as costume, lighting, sounds and stage directing. Performing Nigerian works has allowed our students to develop a deep understanding of the Nigerian culture and history as they learn and immerse themselves in the historical period of the play.



Music

The students are taught to play at least one musical instrument and are also encouraged to join the School Orchestra or the School Choir. The School Choir and Band perform during all school events and also participate in the AISEN Musical Concert for international schools.

Dance

Dance forms part of the extracurricular activity with students taught only traditional dance steps at the moment. Those passionate about traditional dance are urged to take it a step further by joining the school cultural troupe. The troupe always thrills guests especially non-Nigerians and parents at open days and school events. Their performance is a high point of such occasions.





Learning Beyond the Classroom

Learning goes beyond the classroom consequently our students are challenged and inspired inside and outside the classroom. We believe that educational trips play an important role in the enhancement of students' learning experience, contribute to the growth of their social and personal skills and provide a wide range of opportunities to explore interests. Hence, learning-focused trips are organised regularly for each year group to expose these students to different cultures and historic places that they may have only read about in books.

International Trips

In conjunction with Academie Internationale de Langue Francaise, AILF, the school organises annual excursions to countries including Republic of Benin, South Africa, Dubai, United Kingdom and France.



Local Trips

The school's proximity to historical sites make it possible to arrange local tours to places such as the legendary Olumirin Water Fall, the Erin-Ijesa Water Fall, Ikogosi Warm Spring, University of Ibadan zoo. In addition the school also organises an annual trip to Cross River State a known tourist destination in Nigeria.





Boarding and Student life



Boarding Life

Olashore International School is a full boarding school. Our boarding houses are homes away from home as we provide every child with a safe and serene environment and an opportunity to build close and enduring friendships. Parental care and support are an important aspect hence, each student is placed in a school hostel with hostel parents who monitor them and offer support. Blue & Green houses accommodate male students in Years 7-9 while the Red & Yellow houses accommodate female students in the Years 7-9. The senior students on the other hand reside in the Senior House Boys and Girls respectively.

The house system creates a sense of belonging to one another. Our modern facilities allow the students to live and develop as part of the community.

The boarding house system also enables our students to develop a healthy lifestyle in readiness to cope with the lifelong challenge of managing change, taking responsibility for their own learning and understanding their individual rights, while being aware of the rights of others and achieving a balance of personal freedom and duty.

To ensure that students receive the



required balanced diet necessary for proper growth, meals are prepared by a catering company with an in-house monitoring unit made up of students and staff for continued improvement in service delivery.

Student Life

As a boarding school and based on its distinctive mantra of 'incubating a total child', we aim to provide an exciting residential experience for all students. This is achieved by offering a comprehensive program of extracurricular activities throughout the school year that appeal to a wide variety of interests. There are arrays of clubs organised and run by students and overseen by a member of staff. Some of the clubs include: JETS, Home Makers, Info-Tech, Photography, Entertainment, Young Artists, Chess, Boys Scout, Mathematics, Drama and Mountaineering clubs. They also get involved in a number of inter-house competitions in the area of debate, public speaking, quiz and even sports.

There is a midterm carnival which takes place every term and students also get a chance to go on excursions to historical sites within and outside the country.

As we navigate the waters of a dynamic 21st century, Olashore International School will continue to provide a safe and serene environment, conducive for students to learn together and enjoy opportunities to integrate academics with extra-curricular activities.



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Parental Involvement



The School recognises that parents' involvement is important to the successful education of their wards. To accomplish this, it maintains regular communication with parents through a number of channels. Updates on their ward's performances are regularly sent out via email and newsletters on happenings in school are posted regularly on the school's website.

The Parents Teachers Association, PTA, is a very active part of the school's operations and all parents are expected to be members. The PTA meets once each term and provides parents with a platform to liaise with the school air their views and provide suggestions on projects for the development of the school.

The OIS PTA Yahoo Group

This is an initiative of the school's PTA and is a veritable interface for information dissemination among the parent-members. It is also a vibrant forum where issues germane to the school development as well as children welfare are discussed. This group, not only maintains the school's online presence but seeks to connect with parents (both prospects and returning parents) via social media like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and the school's website.



The relationship between the school and its parent-clientele is one of mutual responsibility in delivering the total education that their wards deserve.

Bus Service

This is one of the outcomes of parents' involvement. To solve the issue of distance for some of the parents, the school, with parents, have put in place, a bus service system to pick up parents in major cities within the country on visiting days and the children on resumption and closing days.





Community Service

At Olashore International School, service is considered an integral part of the way we live. Involvement in community service is one of the school's priorities and has been a part of the history of the school since its inception.

All our students are active participants in organising, operating and promoting a number of community service programmes. This instills a sense of community responsibility and prepares them to take their place as active members of the global community. Painting the walls of the community primary school and the Oba's Palace, assisting in building the fence of the community town hall, acting as support staff to local primary schools, are just a few of the activities the students have been involved in.

In addition, the school instituted the Local Authority Primary School Scholarship. The Local Authority Primary School is the only community primary school in Iloko-ljesa, our host community. As part of our contribution, all Year 6 students of the school are invited to sit for the school entrance examination at no cost and the best student at the examination is awarded a full scholarship to study at the school. The scholarship covers boarding, tuition and extracurricular charges.

At Olashore, we believe that each child should be enabled to develop to their full potential irrespective of social status and financial backgrounds and over the years, a number of students have benefited from this. Olashore International School also organises annual sports and quiz competitions among primary school pupils as part of its desire to contribute to the development of critical thinking and problem solving skills of primary school pupils in the country.

As a school, we keep giving back to our society and continuously seek ways to extend our community service programme.







Alumni



As a school, we ensure that each child graduates from Olashore, not only with the necessary academic qualifications in order to excel in the next phase of their life, but also the required skills to enable them take their place in the dynamic global and competitive society. Our graduates join the ever expanding group of Olashore Alumni who are setting standards wherever they go.

Since our first set of graduates in 1999, we have graduated over 1,300 students. They have all gone on to study at top institutions of higher learning both within and outside the country. Our support to our students doesn't stop on graduation. The school continues to support each alumnus choice of higher institution, study, references and even career development. They can



always count on our support.



We remain in constant contact with our students through the school alumni association.

Details about the alumni can be obtained from the Alumni Office at Olashore International School, Iloko-Ijesa, Osun State or the Lagos Liaison office, Plot 281, Ajose Adeogun Street, Victoria Island Lagos.

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Book a Tour



At Olashore International School, we encourage prospective parents and students to experience first hand our serene environment and up to date educational facilities by taking a tour of our country-side campus at a time convenient for them.

Whether you are travelling from far or you are just around the state, we look forward to showing you all that the school has to offer your ward and sharing our vision as a school with you.

To get a feel of what your ward will experience as a student at Olashore, you can schedule a visit during school hours. To arrange for a visit during school hours, please contact the school on 0810 008 4511, 0807 712 4311 or email enquiries@olashoreschool.com.

Alternatively you can view a virtual tour of the school which has been uploaded on the school website www.olashoreschool.com



Join Us



Admission into Olashore International School is by an Entrance Examination. Students are expected to have attained the age of 10 by September of the enrolling year. Candidates will be selected through tests in English Language, Mathematics, General Science, General Aptitude (Verbal & Quantitative) as well as an Oral Interview.

Admission into Years 8, 10 and 11 depends on existing vacancies. Parents who wish to register their ward(s) should contact the school on +234 807 712 4282 or +234 807 452 6371. An Entrance Examination is also required for such admission and applicants are required to be tested in English Language, Mathematics and Science.

Educating children is a great responsibility and privilege in equal measure. Hence, a lot is put into it. This begins with seeding the desire for lifelong learning in every student. Then we instil a respect for diversity, an appreciation of what it takes to be a genuine global citizen, the skills to lead, and ultimately the self-confidence to achieve academic and personal success.

With over 500 students from different locations around the world, our admission policy helps ensure all our students' transition and integration into our community is successful. Application can be made online. You can either visit our admission page on www.olashoreschool.com/admission or simply scan the QR code below.



Our office is open Mondays to Fridays, 8.00am to 5.00pm and on Saturdays, 9.00 am to 12.00 noon.

10 reasons to study at Olashore International School

1. Outstanding track record of high standard academic performances at WASSCE and IGCSE
2. A range of teaching strategies tailored to each student's needs
3. Our safe, serene and nurturing environment with adequate modern facilities and structures
4. Local and International study tours
5. Leadership Opportunities
6. The use of the latest technology to further learning
7. 60 acres of excellent facilities and exceptional grounds to enhance indoor and outdoor learning
8. Extensive sports and extra-curricular programmes
9. Effective Student Alumni Relations
10. We live our student-focused philosophy and values





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