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Important Dates

Friday 1st October

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd October (inclusive)

Monday 25th October

School Closed/Public Holiday

Midterm Break

Back to School

Enjoy looking through our photo splash after you read this week's Newsletter.



Our first formal event took place at the new site today; with a hint of drizzle and a crisp breeze in the air.

A lovely whole school atmosphere.

Ryan from year 6, one of our longest standing Nigerian representatives and Angelic Asiya of Maximax, one of our youngest, raised the flag patriotically as their friends watched and sang the Anthem with pride.

Nigerian Independence Day

Thanks to all families for the super yummy food contributions today. We were mindful of allergies and encouraged the children to taste and explore. Some of our older children talked about ingredients used and States from which various dishes were; excellent! There was a lovely rich, vibrant, colourful look splashed across the school with everyone dressed today in traditional attire. Thanks to all for making the

effort. As Nigeria celebrates officially and nationally it's 61st anniversary of independence tomorrow, we join our hands for the country to prosper all the more and are thankful for all its achievements. Happy Independence Day to you all; have a great day off with the children.

Authorised Leave

Please be reminded that we break up for our Midterm Break on Friday 15th October and all children are expected to resume again on Monday 25th October. If any family plans to travel out of Nigeria, they must please first arrange for and fill out a Leave Request Form from Mrs Naomi (info@nislago.org). Leave may or may not be authorised and will be marked as such in your child's end of year academic report. If you are indeed traveling out of Nigeria; the 7-day quarantine period upon return must still be adhered to. Upon confirmation of negative results of your post 7-day PCR test, your child will be able to return to school.

New Children

We are so excited that since we came to the new site, we have welcomed in 25 new children across the various year groups. Due to stringent COVID compliant measures and Bubbles galore, children don't often get to see other children beyond their own Bubble, which is quite a shame. Each Teacher therefore, early next week, will go through photos and names of the new children from other classes with their own class. COVID will not hinder our family feel! 😊

Security Measures

Now that the children are settling and we are truly getting stuck into the new school year, we must please all revert to use of ID tags; domestic staff in particular. Most ID tags were distributed via Class Teachers at last Saturday's information morning; however we insist that any remaining photographs not sent in be done so this weekend. Our pick up process has run relatively smoothly but not all designated nannies and drivers have an NISL card yet with your family name. We will have to contact you to verify their identity if we are not presented with an ID tag which causes unnecessary delay. Please contact Mr Salami on nislict@nislago.org to arrange for this.

On a separate note, the few families within our parent population that have MOPOL escorts MUST adhere to our rule of no MOPOL by our gate. All MOPOL escorts should remain in or by their family car and parents/designated adult alone should accompany your child(ren) into school.

Birthday Celebrations at NISL

Please always remember to keep things simple and liaise with the Class Teacher if sending in cupcakes or pre-cut cake for your child. We do not permit the sharing of party packs and sadly due to COVID safety measures cannot let Parents of even the younger EYFS children in for birthdays as we used to – sorry! Photos of course will be sent from the Teacher to share the celebratory moment.

COVID Compliance

There have been lots of colds and sniffles, even tummy bugs, going around the school recently and some messages sent in from Parents have a tone of panic. It is common after a long summer holiday in any school to start like this. Please have faith in the school and trust our protocols in terms of COVID compliance. Year 1 upward must remember (and regularly wash) their masks and although we encourage collaborative work within the classes, we can assure you that from our side, social distancing when cross bubbling especially is being encouraged. You may well see photos of your children with Bubble Mates or Classmates and your children may come and tell you about teamwork and pair work. We have to accept that this is indeed the new normal and not assume that even a common cold could be a sign of COVID. We do carry out regular temperature checks (in classes and not just at the gate) and ask that you please continue to keep us informed regarding travel plans/quarantine.

We trust you and ask that you trust us.



*See you on Monday.
Enjoy the long weekend...*