



QUOTES

February Birthdays

Eden Stevens, Lara Badari	02 February
Ro-ro Abou-Kerch	03 February
William Barclay-Loggie, Ife Onakomaiya	06 February
Ninioritse Kunu	08 February
Adekunle Akande, Ore Adeniyi	12 February
Fiyinfoluwa Adekanmbi, Tobi Ayoade	13 February
Khalid Alao	14 February
Esther Olaosebikan	16 February
John Thundathil	17 February
Fareeda Oladeji	18 February
Covenant Efeoghene, Muhammed Alao	20 February
Aya Halawi	21 February
Oreluwa Fayemiwo	23 February
Tishe Iji	24 February
Damilola Onakomaiya	27 February
Anu Omitowaju	29 February



The first half of this term has been very engaging for all of us here at IIS. Read on to find out what we've been up to.

Pre School

The Nursery students have been inquiring into their unit titled "Play Is It" under the organizing theme "How we express ourselves". The central idea is "We use play to express our feelings and ideas in order to come to new understandings". (The children have learnt how to communicate through play. They have also been expressing their feelings and ideas through play in order to gain new understandings). During the course of the unit, pupils have also become more open-minded by playing and sharing different toys and games with their friends, and accepting different ways of playing with toys and games. The students have also learnt the value of balanced play i.e playing alone, with a friend or in groups.

Junior School

Grade 6 spent the first half of this term tackling a very engaging topic: "The Transatlantic Slave Trade". It was a very appropriate topic to study in February, which is also "Black History Month". The students investigated the slave trade as forced human migration. They had the opportunity to visit the slave caves in Badagry. They also watched the epic TV series "Roots" and critiqued the depiction of Africans in the film.

The students found out when the slave trade started, when slavery was abolished, and the various impacts of slavery on Africa. They also studied the connection between slavery and racism. When they couldn't decide whether slavery came before racism or whether racism before slavery, they prepared for a debate on the subject, (debate is an effective way to encourage



the development of dialectical thought, analysis, synthesis, evaluation, confidence, and communication skills). The students concluded the unit by acknowledging that slavery was a form of human migration that has impacted communities globally and locally in many ways.

Grade 6 Exhibition

The PYP Exhibition which happened in Grade 6 is the culminating learning experience for students in the PYP. This year, the selected topic is **Malaria and Public Health**, a local issue with global concern. We are looking for parents to get involved! Any parent who has access to laboratories, hospitals, pharmacies, pharmaceutical companies, public health

NGOs, the Ministry of Public Health, research labs or who have a personal interest in reducing malaria mortalities, should please see the Grade 6 teacher, Mrs. Helen Chatburn-Ojehomon to see how they can get involved as a mentor!

Senior School

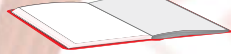
This term, Year 1 students have improved their badminton skills, while Years 2 and 3 have improved their gymnastic skills. All of the students in senior School have started preparing for the Annual Sports Day coming up on Saturday March 28th 2009.



Swimming classes have also been quite intensive as the students have been improving on the strokes they know or on learning new strokes. They have also been trying to improve on their speed. On the competitive front, the football team will engage the American

Christian Academy on Wednesday the 25th of February in a friendly match.

Literacy Month



We have just a few days to go to the end of our literacy month. Please make a note of the following:

26th February: Folktales by "Storyteller" We will have story telling sessions for students in Pre-school to Grade 2 in the school auditorium from 8.30am-10.30am. Parents are welcome to come and listen to some traditional folk tales.

26th February: is the test day for targets set, so do remember to encourage your child to achieve his/her targets.

27th February: Book Character Costume Day and presentation of certificates and prizes at the morning assembly. Parents are welcome to attend.

28th February (10am - 3pm): **IIS Annual Book Fair.** Invite all your friends and family to come and buy books at bargain prices and have a fun day throughout.

Important Reminders!

Senior School Mid-term Test Reports: These will be sent out on Tuesday 24th February. Parents should please remember to sign the acknowledgement slip and send it back to the School Office.

Mid-Term Break: Is on Friday 20th and Monday 23rd February 2009. School will resume at the usual times on Tuesday 24th February, 2009.

P Y P 3 - W a y Conferences will take place from Monday 9th March till Friday 13th March, 2009.

Appointment sheets will be pasted on the classroom doors on Wednesday February 25th. Please book early to get your preferred slot.

Senior School Open Day: Is on Friday 13th March from 3pm - 6pm. Parents should please make time to come and find out about their child(ren)'s progress.

Recent Field Trips

Slave port caves and museum, Badagry Lagos were visited by Grade 6.



National Institute of Radiation Protection and Research, University of Ibadan was visited by our Senior School Years 2 & 3 students .



Dugbe Market Recycling Section Ibadan: visited by our Grade I students.



Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is a special day to show to others how much you care. Here at IIS there was so much caring and sharing on Valentine's Day. The following pictures show just how much fun everyone had.



Lost & Found Items

Despite all efforts being made to display lost & found items daily, we still have many unclaimed lost & found items. Please encourage your child(ren) to improve their self-management skills by taking home everything they bring to school with them on a daily basis.



Teacher Training



As part of IIS's on-going commitment to ensuring our teachers are exposed to international teaching standards, four of our teachers will be attending a 3-day IBO Teacher Training Workshop in Zambia between the 18th and 21st of February, 2009.



Ghana Excursion

We are excitedly counting down to our take-off date for Ghana. The dead-line for payment is Friday 28th February. As there are limited spaces available, we can only confirm spaces upon receipt of full payment of N100,000.

