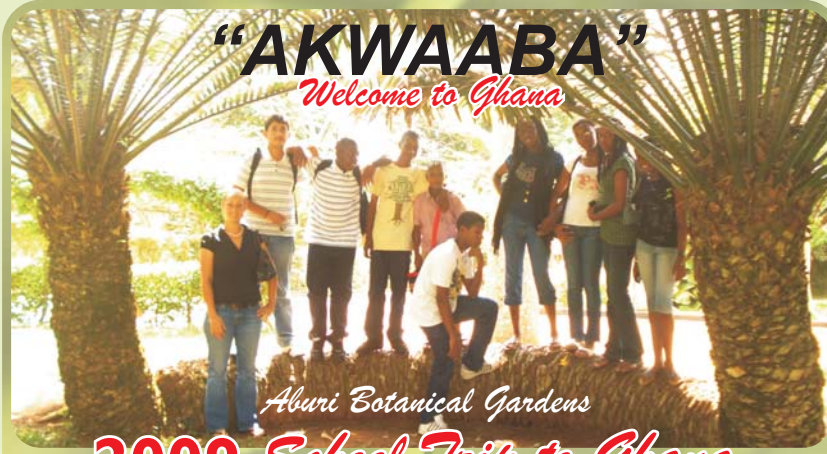


To repeat what others have said requires education, to challenge it requires brains. **Mary Poole**



**“AKWAABA”**  
*Welcome to Ghana*

*Aburi Botanical Gardens*

## 2009 School Trip to Ghana

All the 17 students (and the 3 teachers that accompanied them) enjoyed an exciting, action-packed, fun-filled six days in beautiful, serene Ghana. They went sightseeing, swimming, shopping and adventuring. In short, a great time was had by all !!!

## May Birthdays

Doyin Babatolu, Temi Adebunmi	4 May
Iyanu Ojuko	5 May
Feranmi Adelegan	6 May
Zainab Badmus	10 May
Mofope Oyediran	12 May
Ray Zard Jnr	13 May
Omotayo Adeyanju	14 May
Premobowei Miriki	15 May
Nifemi Adeyemo	16 May
Erinayo Daranijo,	18 May
Elizabeth Nnanna	21 May
Olamide Olaosebikan, Joao Vitor Kirst	22 May
Ayomide Olumide	23 May
Ibrahim Yazback, Obagbola Owoeye	24 May
Jadesola Alabi, Ameenat Alao	29 May
Foluwaso Atunrase, Abul-Basit Akim-Yusuf	29 May

Only the Educated are free. **Anonymous**

Parents who are afraid to put their foot down usually have children who step on their toes. **Chinese Proverb**



**May 2009**  
**Newsletter**



Welcome to the final term of the 2008/2009 school year! We once again invite all our parents to partner with us as we continue to educate our future leaders and help mould them into responsible global citizens, willing and able to make a difference in the world.

We say a very big ‘Thank You’ to all those who helped in making a success of the various school-wide activities we had throughout last term; and we will once again be counting on the continued support of all our parents this term.

Please read on to find out what will be happening school-wide this term:

**Pre-School**  
**The Pre-Kg Students** are happy to be back in school after the holiday and are currently inquiring into an exciting unit titled, “A Living Resource”. They will



Counting numbers using a variety of manipulatives

be inquiring into the world of plants and the importance of plants to humans and animals alike.

In Math, they are continuing to broaden and strengthen their addition and subtraction skills, as well as learning how to go about guessing and estimating quantities. They are also learning how to represent a variety of information on graphs.



Sorting out pictures of living and non-living things

In Language, the Pre-Kg students are now more aware of phonic sounds and they can confidently and independently decipher words they come across, both inside and outside classroom, by using their sounding and blending skills.



Sorting letter cubes to form words.

## Junior School

**The Grade 2 Students** are busy inquiring into an interesting unit on money. They are finding out what money is, how people obtain money, what it is used for, and what the world would be like without money. They have also started identifying and collecting a selection of currency notes for their class displays.



Display of Currency notes and coins from different countries.

The students have also been learning about the evolution of money in Nigeria and are coming up with a display of various forms of money, including cowries and manilas.

As part of their inquiry activities, the students will be visiting a bank to enhance their understanding of the value of saving versus spending.

In linking their unit to Math, a shopping corner is being set up in both classrooms to help the students learn the true value of Naira and Kobo through pretend buying and selling.

Connecting the unit to their work in Language, they have also been brainstorming about common phrases, idioms and clichés that are used in

everyday conversations, such as “credit crunch”, ‘money talks”, “spend money like water”, “time is money” and “I paid through my nose”.

### Senior School

**In English Language the Senior School Year 2 students** have been learning to create characters by direct description a representation of their actions from which readers can draw their own conclusions. They have also been improving their interpretive skills which are emphasized in the Checkpoint exams. The students have also been introduced to editing which involves distinguishing essential from non-essential information, another important Checkpoint skill.



An interactive Literature session

**In Literature**, they have started to study “My Family and Other Animals”, an amusing account of Gerald Durrell’s encounters with animals on the island of Corfu. His vivid descriptions of people, places and animals serve as a model for the students’ own writing.

### SPORTS UPDATE



Last school year, we held both Sports Day events and a Swimming Gala. This year however, each class will have end-of-term swimming events during their swimming periods. Our Swimming Gala and Junior/Senior School Sports Day will be held bi-annually, with either one taking place in one school year. Therefore, the next Swimming Gala will be held in the 2009/2010 school year, while the next Junior/Senior School Sports Day will be held in the 2010/2011 school year. Pre-School Sports Day will continue to be held annually.

### Important Reminders

#### “Malaria Kick Off”

The Grade 6 students are organising a charity football tournament on Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> to raise money to buy mosquito nets to be distributed in our local community. If you or your Company would like to sponsor the event in cash or goods, please contact Mrs. Helen, the Grade 6 Teacher, through the School Office numbers as soon as possible.



**Committees** :We have set up in-house Committees for all upcoming events and activities for this term (Fathers’ Day Event, Fun Fair etc,) and would appreciate parental involvement. Please send in a note, drop-in or call the School Office on 02-7519255 or 02-8731473 to indicate your interest in being part of the organising Committees for any of these events.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Term Calendar:** This was sent out on the first day of term. It lists all the important dates/ activities for this term. Please remember to keep it in a safe place so that you can refer to it regularly.

**Cambridge Checkpoint Exams:** We wish all our Senior School Years 2 and 3 students success in their Checkpoint exams taking place here in School on the 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of May 2009.

**PTA Meeting:** This takes place on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 5.00pm. Please make a note in your diaries .

**Annual Fun Fair:** This year’s Fun Fair comes up on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June between 10am and 3pm, here in School. It will be a great day for everyone, with lots of exciting activities, games and prizes to be won! Raffle tickets will be available as from the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in May. Don’t miss your chance to win AMAZING prizes!!

**School Invoices:** will be sent out on Thursday April 30<sup>th</sup>. These comprehensive invoices include 3<sup>rd</sup> term tuition fees, clubs, school photographs & any other outstanding items. **Do ensure you pay promptly.**

### Highlights from Term Two



Mothers' Day Tea Party



Pre-School Sports Day



Jnr. & Snr. School Sports Day