

NIGERIAN MILITARY SCHOOL, ZARIA
PARENTS INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION (PIA)
END OF SESSION 2023 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/instructors,

As we come to the end of another school year which has been a very unprecedented year. I would like to give our heartfelt thanks to our commandant, Brig Gen AD Alliyu, a seasoned veteran in leadership for the continued visionary guidance, and for support and trust you have shown us. We will not fail not to mention also the Deputy Commandant, Lt Col NC Abdulsalam, an outstanding officer.

This holidays calls for immense gratitude to Almighty God, the author and finisher of our faith. I wish to on behalf of the entire PIA executives express our profound gratitude to you all for the confidence reposed on us as well as your cooperation. Let me reiterate the resolve of the PIA executives to sustain the positive cooperation being enjoyed with all the Parents and the School Management. This has continued to create cordial relationship that occasioned quality support that facilitates creation of a conducive learning environment for our Boys.

PIA GENERAL MEETING

Please be informed that the next PIA meeting will hold during the first Term 2023/2024 Academic Session Visiting Day as usual. Parents are kindly advised to attend the meeting, as that is the forum where important issues and decisions concerning our Boys are discussed and taken. The venue remains the NMS Multipurpose Hall. We also guarantees a good home-school communication via our channels (SMS, school portal, PIA Telegram Platform) so that you can stay informed proactively. However, we still appeal to many parents to share any change in phone numbers with us for a more effective process and to link up to our official online platform on TELEGRAM through this private secured link; https://t.me/+zDTc1_OWfoo3M2Vk also to <http://nms.sch.ng/login> to check our boys results.

PIA SPECIAL PROJECT

We are still committed to the upgrade of the medical facility in the MRS as a way to improving the effectiveness of the Centre. Next term, we will endeavor to get the approval of the Commandant and the chief of Administration (Army) to fully commence the total upgrading and supplies of quality drugs for the center and as usual we are determined to finishing the project. As usually the fee is built into our bill. We appreciate the support

of parents who have worked tirelessly to be part of PIA success story through backing and full cooperation. Thanks and God bless you all.

DISCIPLINE

The need for parents to strongly advise their Boys to always obey the rules and regulations of the School as failure to comply will attract severe sanction is very important. Parents must do more to warn their ward to desist from ill-treatment of their fellow Boys. The stand of the school on this is relegation and suspension from the School. I want to use this opportunity to appeal to some parents that the training and upbringing of a child should not be left as exclusive preserve for the school alone. In addition to paying the school bills, tenacious parental attention to the academic progress is essentially vital. I am apologetic to say that some parents neither spare their time to go through the school newsletters nor check their wards end of term results.

Some do call to find out when the new term begins despite the fact that resumption is always indicated on the end of term results. Lamentably too, holidays assignments are never attended to by some students because their parents or guardians do not supervise their wards thoroughly at home.

Therefore, we appeal to our esteemed parents to monitor their wards very well at home whenever they are on holiday. Spend time to observe the types of friends they keep, places they visit because be that as it may, some of these children pose much challenge to the school in terms of their level of indiscipline even though the school is at the top of it. We also give a pointer to the parents to take time to check their ward's luggage before leaving home for school next term to ensure that contraband items such as mobile phones and other electronic gadgets are not in their bags. The school shall continue to do all the needful at its own end to ensure that our Boys get the best of education to become successful in life. We must also ensure that our Boys resume on the scheduled date as indicated in the School Newsletter with the Evidence of Payment of their termly levies.

BOYS WELFARE

The commonest medical illness experience by the Boys is malaria because of mosquito bite as a result of the Boys not complying with the use of Mosquito treated nets.

All minor medical complains concerning ill health were effectively managed by the school medical team in the Clinic. Unfortunately, we had few sad cases which for proper treatment were referred to the Ahmadu Bello University Teaching Hospital, Zaria, as well as 44 Military Reference hospital Kaduna as the need arises. Parents are also advised to please accompany Boys with medical report of fitness on resumption as need arises, to enable continuity of care in the school. Lastly, to our Boys who have soldiered on with the changing times we wish to encourage you to keep on moving, we are behind you during your training. The Boys were able to go through this term activities successfully.

FINANCE

I will like to also use this medium to thank all Parents for their cooperation by ensuring prompt payment of their termly PIA levy. The PIA termly levy is still One Thousand Naira (N1,000.00) only and is included in the school bill issued to our Boys.

GRADUATING CLASS

You have no doubt acquired knowledge, imbibed morals, and now, you are proud Alumni of the great prestigious Nigeria Military School, with great hope that you will remain attached to the goals of Nigeria Military School (NMS). I wish you the best in your future endeavors as you exit this great academy. To you all, I offer my warmest congratulations on your academic and military successes – the culmination of six years of dedication and hard work. But, of course, this is only part of the story. Learning is about growth, not just about grades. You have adapted and grown in this difficult time, which has undoubtedly enriched you and added to your success. Albert Einstein, a physicist and a German national once stated that: “Life is like riding a bicycle. If you want to maintain your balance, you must keep moving” to keep moving is not to rest on your oars. To keep moving is to maintain the strategy (ies) that pay off. To keep moving is to continue to add value to the existing values and benefits that are likely to accrue from your training in NMS.

EXAMINATIONS PERFORMANCE

Before I go further, let me mention some of our achievements in this last term. If you can recall, we set up a 60% target for every student in all subjects. To the Glory of God, we were able to reach 80%. We will continue to work hard until we achieve 100%. Our JS3 and SS3 students have successfully finished their exams and recorded excellent results in the exams. The just released SS3 WASSCE/SSCE result shows that 98% of them got 5 credits including Mathematics and English. The same performance was exhibited in the other exams by the other classes both in academics and military trainings. In the meantime, those who did well in BECE exams were rewarded on the PIA. Likewise, we will present prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions to students in SS3 on the first term of resumption. Please bear with us. Meanwhile, the POP graduation activities for SS3 boys were very successful. We congratulate the grandaunts and wish them well in their further studies.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS WELFARE

I want to appreciate the parents on their contributions towards the payments of temporary teachers take home pay, this singular effort by the PIA has helped in providing and maintain the academic excellence of our great school. We will continue and will always expect the best, consequently, to all the instructors who have shown resilience and adopted to new teaching methods like virtual classrooms a big thank you.

CONCLUSION

Last not the least I recognize with pride and satisfaction the entire members of the PIA for your support the school authority, the PIA excos and commitment to the agendas of the PIA. An association like ours is a treasure greater than anyone can imagine. Congratulations on our collective achievement and promotion. You deserve this recognition for your hard work and dedication. The academic year 2022-2023 has taught us many lessons and one of the great lessons has been adaptation to changing times. We have had the privilege to continue improving and we promise to keep doing so. Above all, I wish us all good health, long life, journey mercies and prosperity to continue to care for our Boys. Finally wishing you all a very happy and safe holidays!

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