

**NIGERIAN MILITARY SCHOOL, ZARIA
PARENT INSTRUCTOR ASSOCIATION**



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Dear Parents and Instructors,

The Parent Instructors Association (PIA) wishes to use this opportunity to commend our Commandant, Brig Gen AD Aliyu, a seasoned Veteran in Nigerian Military School and to pledge our unalloyed support to his Vision for the school which is “To consolidate on the Academic and Military Excellence of the Nigerian Military School towards building Nigeria’s Future Leaders’’. Sir, well done. We will not fail to welcome the new Deputy Commandant, Col MA Bukar, a disciplined officer with great leadership skills and also an Ex-Boy I believe the Knowledge as a onetime Boy if this great institution will be brought to bear. Sir you are highly welcome. At this junction it is important to also welcome our new BBC, Lt Col. JA Enyia. I wish to congratulate our Boys for the successful completion of the 1st Term 2023/2024 Academic Session and wish them well as they all travel back home on holidays.

PIA meeting/ Visiting Day: We use this medium to appreciate all for the good attendance during our last PIA meeting at the NMS Multipurpose Hall. We have reviewed all the observations and comments and are implementing the action plans to ensure we address all areas of concern satisfactorily. We thank the commandant for his presentation during the last meeting. Afterwards parents were allowed to visit and incept the Boys note books in their various class rooms.

While we were flexible in enforcing some of the school rules, it is important to reiterate areas of attention. We are all busy people, but must put a routine in place whereby children are engaged in their home study (homework, projects work, reading etc.) We appreciate all the parents for the commitment thus far while we motivate the children towards optimal performance. With constant reminders on values that underpin our every action. During the meeting, Awards were given to the best teacher of the month and the three best Basic certificate Examination (BECE) which was sponsored by the PIA, these three best BECE Boys are; 1st position Oluwole Olamoyowa Isreal, 2nd position George Precious Imeh and 3rd position Ernest Obed C, will be rewarded with a cash price of Fifty Thousand Naira only ₦50,000.00 each next term. Once again congratulation and keep it up. Please be informed that the next PIA meeting will hold during the 2nd Term 2024 Academic Session Visiting Day as usual. Parents are kindly advised to make plan to attend the meeting, as that is the forum where important issues

and decisions concerning our Boys are discussed and taken. In this regard, inputs from Parents are crucial in the deliberations during the meeting, as it enables Parents interact with the instructors and Boys on issues bothering academic of our Boys. The venue remains the multipurpose Hall NMS Zaria. We have had quite a successful term, However It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing away of one of our beloved Boy, late NMS/20/8771 Hena Jonathan David. He was a cherished and kind friend, who was dedicated and participated actively in all school activities. This loss has deeply saddened us all, and our thoughts and prayers go out to family and friends during this difficult time, we understand that this news may affect each of us differently, and we encourage everyone to commit the family of the deceased in prayers for Almighty God to grant them the fortitude to bear with this loss.

Furthermore, Parents and guardians are hereby encouraged to fully utilize the platform to add quality input into the academic training of their children. We guaranteed 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 and always remember the universal password:S123456

Discipline; Parents must do more to warn their ward to desist from ill-treatment and bullying of their fellow Boys. However, sever cases of bullying was not recorded much except for few isolated cases. The stand of the school is relegation and suspension from the School as a result of ill-treatment or bullying of their juniors. Parents are to note that items like mobile phones still contraband and outlawed in the School so they must not be in possession of any of the contraband items while in the School. We must endeavor to continue to admonish and pray for our Boys to be of good behavior both in the School and at home.

Boys Welfare 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. I implore all the Parents to please kindly ensure that our Boys get sufficient rest during this period of holidays. Parents should monitor the peer group of their boys during the holiday period. Let our Boys be engaged meaningfully in their take-home assignment and other home routines during the holidays.

We were able to donate drugs and minor renovation on the wards. 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 despite the enforcement by the school authority and most recently chicken pox which was adequately controlled. Parents are kindly request to educate their wards more on the essence of sleeping under ITN. The Boys were able to go through the first term activities successfully. All minor medical complains and few out breaks were effectively managed by the school medical team in the Clinic and in few cases proper referrals to the Ahmadu Bello University

Teaching Hospital, Zaria, as well as 44 military hospital Kaduna as the need arises. Parents are to please ensure that all clothing of our Boys are properly laundered before returning to the School and ensure that the Boys are medically fit. This will help to reduce the outbreak of communicable diseases in the School. We are happy to inform you that there is great improvement in our school meals and our boys can attest to that.

PIA Main Project: we are still committed to the upgrade of the medical facility in the MRS as a way to improving the effectiveness of the center. During our last PIA meeting, it was unanimously agreed that all the boys should be enrolled into a comprehensive HMO with a comprehensive health insurance. After diligently, discoursing with about six different registered companies, we selected the **Clearline HMO**, who afterwards carefully crafted a yearly customized plan to provide quality insurance coverage both in school and holidays at N5000 (five thousand naira). We have finalized all and waiting for the final approval so that our bill will captured it. Once the insurance policy takes off it will be a great achievement and blessing to boys, parents and school.

Finance: We must also ensure that our Boys resume on the scheduled date as indicated in the Commandant's Newsletter with the Evidence of Payment of the term levies.

Academics: The School policy on academic trainings, the Strictness on note coping marking is highly recommendable and the Chief Instructor Education (CIE) and his team are doing great work. I want to appreciate the parents on their contributions towards the payments of temporary teachers take home pay. However, in view of the PIA optimistic disposal to the welfare of instructors, as discussed during the meeting, we have adopted a monthly cash reward for the best Instructor of the month.

NDA Admission Request: We are glad to inform us that negotiations, meeting and consultations are ongoing. We must keep praying as this project has gained national recognitions.

Conclusion: On behalf of our Boys, please allow me to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to you, for all the support and sustenance we have received from you in the course of the term. Let me express the gratitude of the executive members to our esteemed Parents for the maximum support being enjoyed. In the whole, despite some challenges, we had a successful term and excellent term that ended with a successful Camp fire night.

May the Lord highly grant you heavenly blessings and good health?

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