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NEWSLETTER FOR FIRST TERM 2025/2026 TRAINING SESSION

DISCIPLINE, KNOWLEDGE & PATRIOTISM

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Dear Parents/Guardians

INTRODUCTION

1. I am highly delighted to convey the successful completion of the First Term 2025/2026 Academic Session, through the term's Newsletter. I am pleased to report that the term has simply been remarkable, productive and impactful. It commenced on 14 September 2025, the term witnessed remarkable achievements across academic, military, and co-curricular training activities. These successes were made possible through the effective implementation of structured ICT-driven teaching and learning, rigorous military training, and tailored co-curricular activities, all aimed at enabling the holistic development of the boys. Significant strides were also made in infrastructural development, through construction of new/renovation of classrooms, and equipping them with modern facilities to provide a conducive teaching and learning environment.

2. The School administration remains resolute in its commitment towards sustained and deliberate efforts at enhancing teaching, learning, discipline, and welfare for

both boys and staff alike. We express our profound gratitude to the Army Headquarters for its concerted efforts and continued support in providing strategic guidance and essential resources for optimal functioning of the NMS. The School also appreciates the Governing Board, key stakeholders, and parents, whose unwavering cooperation and support have been instrumental in shaping the boys into disciplined, responsible, and well-rounded young men prepared to excel in all spheres of human endeavour.

3. This newsletter aims to acquaint parents with vital general administrative and sundry information concerning the training and administration of boys. This is to ensure effective dissemination of information to parents who remain crucial stakeholders in the tripartite relationship between the school, boys and parents. To this end, the newsletter will cover academic and military training, boys administration, extracurricular activities and other sundry matters.

ACADEMIC TRAINING

4. The academic activities for the First Term 2025/2026 Academic Session were successfully executed as planned. The School implemented a comprehensive academic programme, beginning with a staff workshop aimed at enhancing professionalism and regimentation, as a means of improving overall competence and the learning environment. During the workshop, instructors also received refresher training on the effective use of interactive smartboards. Subsequently, all scheduled academic activities for the term were conducted as planned, starting with effective classroom instruction across various subjects, followed by the first and second continuous assessments. Academic activities for the term were concluded with the first term internal examinations. As part of the preparations for forthcoming JAMB examinations, the SSS 3 Boys were exposed to weekly practice sessions using the JAMB Test Driller software installed in the Computer Laboratory and Computer-Based Test Centre. They had 4 practice sessions during the term, and more sessions are planned in the Second Term. The results of each session have been duly captured in their results sheets. Parents/Guardians are please enjoined to check the results and encourage their wards for enhanced performance accordingly.

5. The School further strengthened its pedagogical approach by deepening its integration of ICT for effective teaching and learning. Beyond the use of interactive smartboards, the School commenced the implementation of CISCO training to enhance the boys' digital skills and development. This effort is in line with the national policy on the inclusion of digital literacy skills in secondary education curriculum. In the area of infrastructural development, 18 classrooms were renovated, including 6 newly constructed

ones representing over 60 percent of the classrooms in the School. These classrooms were fully furnished and equipped with the necessary facilities, including digital smartboards for enhanced interactive learning. I am pleased to report that deliberate efforts are being made to ensure the completion of the renovation of the balance of the classrooms during the holiday period. The School also conducted several extracurricular activities to support the boys' all-round development. Notably, the Art Exhibition was held from 20 – 22 October 2025. The exhibition was aimed at developing the boys' artistic skills in both fine and applied arts, while also building their confidence and skill sets, in preparation for the Chief of Army Staff Annual Art and Literary Competition.

6. Parents are also reminded that NMS maintains high academic and military training standards for students' promotion. During the last academic session, 47 boys did not meet the required benchmarks for promotion to the next class. However, after a thorough review by the NMS Academic Board, they were granted promotion on trial. This promotion would only be confirmed, subject to satisfactory improvement and performance during the just concluded term. Regrettably, 17 boys earlier promoted on trial are now relegated contingent on unsatisfactory performance. Parents are kindly reminded that any boy who repeats a class twice will be withdrawn, as stipulated in Paragraph 13 of the NMS Rules and Regulations (Revised 2025). The School remains firmly committed to providing a supportive and conducive learning environment for all boys.

MILITARY TRAINING

7. Military training in the School forms the foundation for preparing the boys for future

enlistment into the Nigerian Army. The term commenced with a series of theoretical and practical training activities conducted both within and outside the School. Practical exercises successfully carried out include map reading, sand model exercises, field training, skill-at-arms training, physical training, watermanship and JSS 1 orientation cadre. To further broaden their exposure, excursion exercises were also conducted during the term. In this regard, the SSS 3 boys visited the Defence Industries Corporation of Nigeria and the Command Engineering Depot. The excursion were aimed at exposing them to human capital development opportunities, capable of positively shaping their future career choices.

8. The term's military training programme culminated in the conduct of major field exercises. These included Exercises AJAGUN GBADE for SSS 3 and 2 boys, and DAFIN KUNAMA for SSS 3 boys, both designed to further train and expose them to the planning and execution of basic tactical operations, in line with current security realities. Additionally, the First Introductory Shooting Exercise for SSS 1 boys was conducted at the Depot Nigerian Army Small Arms Range in Dogarawa. The climax of the term's training activities was the conduct of Exercise DOGON DUTSE for the SSS 3 and 2 boys. The exercise was conducted in 2 phases, adventure and tactical phases. The tactical phase covered, served as the final field training evaluation for the SSS 3 boys, assessing their understanding of minor tactics, field craft, map reading, and field hygiene. Furthermore, the military training examination was conducted to evaluate their assimilation and understanding of the subjects taught during the term.

9. Overall, the military training programme for the boys during the term was successfully

implemented. The boys were equipped with essential skills, discipline, and leadership qualities needed to excel in their future careers as soldiers. The rigorous programme, which encompassed physical fitness, combat skills, leadership, and general military studies, has been instrumental in shaping them into well-rounded individuals. The Wing looks forward to consolidating the gains recorded this term and further enhancing the skills and character development of the boys.

BOYS BATTALION DESK

10. The Boys Battalion is saddled with the onerous task of boys' administration. To this end, boys' administration matters include discipline, contraband items, late resumption and requirements for resumption.

DISCIPLINE

11. Discipline is a vital component of character development, as it helps build responsibility, leadership, and teamwork. The level of discipline recorded during the term was relatively satisfactory; however, a few cases of indiscipline were regrettably noted. These included incidents of stealing, sodomy, and brutality, all of which are classified as major offences in the School. The cases of stealing involved the illegal possession of ATM cards belonging to other boys, despite repeated warnings, with some even making unauthorised withdrawals. Two boys were also involved in acts of sodomy, a conduct that is completely unacceptable and contrary to the standards of good order and discipline expected of NMS boys. All defaulting boys were duly sanctioned. Specifically, 14 boys involved in stealing were relegated, while the 2 boys implicated in sodomy were dismissed from the School.

12. Parents are reminded to caution their children on what constitutes major offences as

outlined in the NMS Rules and Regulations (Revised 2025). Any boy who commits 3 major offences will be withdrawn from the School in line with extant regulations. However, some major offences, contingent on the nature could attract immediate dismissal. Parents are therefore kindly urged to counsel their wards to desist from all forms of misconduct and to demonstrate improved discipline and character. Let me reaffirm the School Management's commitment to upholding discipline strictly in accordance with the School's Rules and Regulations (Revised 2025).

LATE RESUMPTION

13. Parents and Guardians are reminded that late resumption of boys under any circumstances will not be tolerated. All boys must return for the Second Term 2025/2026 Academic Session on the specified date. Any boy who fails to report on the stipulated date without a valid medical reason, as outlined in the NMS Rules and Regulations Revised (2025), will be declared Absent Without Leave (AWOL) and subsequently struck off strength from the school's nominal roll. Additionally, Parents and Guardians should note the procedure for boys who become ill during break and inform the school accordingly with the required medical report from appropriate hospital. Parents and Guardians should also note that any boy with severe medical conditions that prevents him from participating in school activities for 30 days will be recommended for withdrawal. Consequently 2 boys who failed to report to school this term have been withdrawn and struck off from the school nominal roll.

CONTRABAND ITEMS

14. Parents and Guardians have been severally reminded of illegal/contraband items in the previous termly newsletters. The boys are very much aware of the contraband

items as contained in the NMS Rules and Regulations (Revised 2025). Parents have also been educated on what constitutes contraband items in NMS. They must therefore not be a remote cause for their children breaching school regulations. Unfortunately, during this term, a boy was caught in possession of a mobile phone, which is a serious offence that can lead to outright withdrawal.

15. Parents and Guardians are reminded that if they wish to enquire about their wards. It should be done through the official line in the Boy's Battalion Headquarters. As a reminder, the number is **08111639833**. Furthermore, Parents and Guardians who wish for their wards to have phone to monitor their progress during travels should submit the phones to the Boy's Battalion Headquarters on resumption. These phones will be given back to the boys when proceeding on break.

REQUIREMENTS FOR RESUMPTION

16. Boys are required to report to school with specific items. These items are categorised into toiletries, uniforms and others detailed as follows:

a. **Toiletries.**

- (1) 2 x Tissue Paper.
- (2) 1 x Packet of Bathing Soap.
- (3) 2 x Medium Size of Dettol Liquid.
- (4) 3 x Roll-On Deodorant.
- (5) 3 x Body Spray/Body Midst.

b. **Uniforms.**

- (1) 2 x Pairs of Tetron.
- (2) 2 x Pairs of Camouflage.
- (3) 2 x Pairs of House Wears.
- (4) 2 x Pairs of Service Wears.

- (5) 2 x Brown Belts (Civil).
- (6) 2 x Army Belts.
- (7) 2 x Pairs of Boot/Anklet.
- (8) 2 x Pairs of Canvas.
- (9) 2 x Pairs of Sandals (Brown).
- (10) 2 x Vests (White).
- (11) 4 x Underwear.
- (12) 2 x Berets.
- (13) 2 x Jungle Hats.
- (14) 2 x White Bed Sheets/Pillowcases.
- (15) 2 x Plumes/Cap Badges.
- (16) 2 x NMS Badges.
- (17) 2 x Lanyards.
- (18) 2 x Pairs of Shoulder Emblems.
- (19) 2 x Chest Emblems.
- (20) 2 x Pairs of Name Tags for Tetron/Camouflage each.
- (21) 2 x Pairs of Black/White Socks each.
- (22) 2 x Coy Sport Wears.
- (23) 1 x Swimming Trunk.

c. **Other items.**

- (1) 1 x Pressing Iron.
- (2) 1 x Flashlight.
- (3) 1 x Wristwatch.
- (4) 1 x Medium Size Towel.
- (5) 1 x Iron Bucket.
- (6) Room Freshener (Sun Flower).
- (7) 1 x Mackintosh.
- (8) 1 x Mosquito Net (New).
- (9) Company Funds.
- (10) Medical Certificate of Fitness.
- (11) Laboratory Coat (SSS1 - SSS3 Science Students only)
- (12) Scientific Calculator (SSS3 only).
- (13) Maths Set (JSS1 — JSS3)
- (14) 1 x Blanket.

- (15) Housewife kits (thread, needle, 20 pieces green buttons and razor blade

17. These items are compulsory for the boys. Failure to present them at entry will result in the **boy not being admitted into the Boys Lines**. Parents are advised to **desist** from **defacing** their boys **uniforms/house wears** in the guise of securing it from theft using unconventional methods to **inscribe** on it.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

18. The organisation of extra-curricular activities for both the boys and staff is designed to promote a healthy and balanced lifestyle. These activities also enhance physical fitness, mental alertness, and provide opportunities for both passive and active recreation. During the term, the Inter-Company Sports Competition was conducted, featuring football, basketball, swimming, table tennis, volleyball, and tug of war. The event was aimed at instilling the spirit of healthy competition and sportsmanship in the boys. Additionally, these activities foster team spirit and discipline and play a vital role in improving their physical fitness and overall well-being.

19. The School intends to commence the resumption of club activities next term. Twenty clubs will be introduced, and all boys will be required to join one. The club activities will be conducted fortnightly on Saturdays. This initiative aims to ensure the balanced development of the boys through structured recreational engagement alongside academic and military training, thereby promoting their holistic growth.

REPORT SHEETS

20. It is gratifying to report that the termly results reporting system has been

enhanced. The revised version is an integrated reporting system, aimed at summarising learning outcomes, character and personal qualities of the boys. The revised integrated report sheets for the First Term 2025/2026 Academic Session are to be accessed online through the NMS portal i.e. ***nms.sch.ng7login*** using the NMS number of the boys as the portal ID and 51234 as password.

21. Parents and Guardians have it as an obligation to carefully peruse the report sheets and reward or scold their boys' performances to spur them. Observation(s), if any, are to be forwarded to the school authority for immediate action.

HEALTH

22. The School has been proactive in safeguarding the health and well-being of all boys. The hostels and classroom areas are regularly fumigated to eradicate insects and reptiles. Malaria remains the most commonly reported ailment at the Medical Reception Station and is promptly treated along with other reported ailment. Severe cases are referred to Depot NA/NMS Medical Centre and 44 Nigerian Army Reference Hospital Kaduna, for expert management. I am pleased to note that reported cases of typhoid have reduced following the vaccination exercise conducted for all boys last term. Additionally, the newly admitted JSS 1 boys were also vaccinated this term. Consequently, as the boys embark on holidays, it is imperative that parents should ensure that their childrens' health are taken seriously during the holidays.

23. Regrettably, it has been observed that some parents/guardians routinely return their wards who are medically unfit at resumption without recourse to extant procedures. In view of this, parents are to note the following important guidelines:

- a. Any boy who falls sick while at home must bring a medical report from

the appropriate hospital upon returning to school as highlighted earlier.

- b. Similarly, any boy granted a medical pass while in school should be properly treated by his parents before returning, accompanied by a medical report.

- c. Boys on medication while at home need to bring their medication and prescription for continuity upon resumption.

- d. For those with medical appointments during the school period, parents are to notify the school at least three days before the appointment date.

OTHER MATTERS

24. The following are important information for Parents and Guardians. You are requested to carefully read and be guided accordingly:

- a. **End of First Term Holidays.** The holidays for the end of the First Term 2025/2026 Academic Session will be from 19 December 2025 while the school will resume on 10 January 2025.

- b. **Settlement of Bills.** Boys have received their bills for the Second Term of the 2025/2026 Academic Session. Parents and guardians are urged to settle all bills before the School resumes. Please note that all fees must be paid in full through the e-bills **platform**. The payment should be made with the boys' details such as NMS Number, name and class for reference and reconciliation purpose. Parents and **Guardians are strongly requested to adhere to this guidance, as failure to do so could result to reconciliation** problems, hence the inability of the boy to be admitted into the School. A copy of the bill, along with the teller or any other evidence of payment, must be presented

at the reception on resumption day. Payments should not be made via bank draft, and the teller or evidence of payment must clearly indicate the name and class of the boy. Cash payments will not be accepted by the school.

c. **Visiting Day.** The visiting day for Second Term 2025/2026 Academic Session would be held on Saturday, 28 February 2026. Parent would be allowed in the school from **0900 - 1730** hours (09:00am — 5:30pm). As usual, parents would only be allowed to see their wards after the Commandant's brief and the PIA meeting from **1000 - 1100** hours (**10:00am - 11:00am**) at the Multipurpose Hall.

d. **Vacation Date.** The School would vacate on 27 March 2026.

CONCLUSION

25. This newsletter is aimed at disseminating important information to Parents and Guardians about the activities of the NMS for the First Term of the 2025/2026 Academic Session and projections for the Second Term. The school management would continue to improve and sustain its efforts towards providing a conducive teaching and learning environment. This would ensure the boys maintain a high level of discipline, exemplified by impeccable character and academic excellence. On this note, on behalf of the officers, soldiers and staff of the school. I wish all parents, guardians and the boys a safe trip and happy holiday.

Yours faithfully



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Brigadier General
Commandant