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NEWSLETTER FOR SECONG TERM 2023/2024 TRAINING SESSION

DISCIPLINE, KNOWLEDGE & PATRIOTISM

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Dear Parents/Guardians

INTRODUCTION

1. Let me give gratitude to the Glorious God for His mercies upon the entire Nigerian Military School (NMS) community for yet another eventful and hitch-free term. We are grateful to the Almighty God for granting the Boys and all the staff good health and protection throughout the term. The School resumed for the Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session on **6 January 2024** and all the training activities commenced accordingly. The Second Term training activities were effectively and successfully executed as contained in the School Forecast of Events.

2. The School had a busy term with numerous training activities which rejuvenated the passion and handiness of the Boys in various events. I wish to on behalf of the personnel, boys, civilian staff and parent express our sincere appreciation to our amiable Chief of Army Staff **Lieutenant General TA Lagbaja NAM GSS psc (+) usawc CM FCM FCMH MSS** for the continued unprecedented and uncommon support to the School. Similarly, the School also enjoyed tremendous

supervisory and administrative support of all the Army Headquarters Departments to facilitate the effective implementation of the training mandate of the School. In the same vein, the administrative guidance of the Chairman NMS Governing Board; the Chief of Administration Army and other members are germen to the smooth activities in the School. The School management is very grateful for the wonderful professional direction and agenda for the progress and prospect of NMS.

3. The support of the sister units in the conduct of training activities in the Second Term is as well appreciated. I would like to appreciate the parents for their support to the children/ward during the term. This Newsletter is therefore written to remind parents of their roles as stakeholders in the holistic growth and development of the Boys.

TRAINING

4. The 2023/2024 Academic Session commenced on **6 January 2024** and terminated on **28 March 2024** with numerous academics and military training activities. All the scheduled training programmes were successfully conducted. The climax of the

Military Training activities in the term was the **Exercise IKE OGU** for the SS 2 Boys scheduled from 16 – 18 February 2024. Details of the training activities are discussed below.

ACADEMIC TRAINING

5. The NMS is saddled with responsibilities of implementation of the National Secondary School Curriculum in line with the National Policy on Education. As such, the school provides instructions in compulsory subjects like Mathematics and English language as well as other subject specific to science, commercial and art classes as the case may be. It also provides guidance and counseling services to the Boys during school session. The school also operate and manage a well-equipped state of the art library which is accessible to all for the purpose of academic research. All these and many more are carried out to support the overall training, academic preparation for external examinations and integration of the Boys into the Nigerian Army and the society in general. In other to achieve all the above, the school ensures proper staff administration, academic planning and the organization of seminars and workshops especially for academic staff and corps members of the school.

6. During the Second Term, the school ensured that proper teaching and learning took place in a conducive and safe learning environment for both the Boys and Instructors. This is aimed at preparing the Boys with the needed knowledge and confidence to succeed in all external exams like NECO, WASSCE, BECE and the NMS Inter Command Examination and Internal Examinations. Parents are to please note and ensure that henceforth, it is compulsory for all science students of SS 1, SS 2 and SS 3 Boys to have their individual laboratory coat for science practicals. Parents are also to ensure that their Boys complete all take-

home assignments which must be submitted at the resumption date of Third Term.

7. NMS is putting in all efforts geared towards sustainable improvements in all areas of its assigned responsibilities especially in the area of teaching and learning. The school will continue to achieve this using well researched, innovative and technologically inclined ideas and methods in line with global best practices. In this we are confident of continuously producing academically sound Boys for the Nigerian Army and the country in general. Some of the major achievements made in Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session includes the successfully conducted of First and Second Mock Examination for the SS 3 Boys, IT Sensitization Lecture for 169 SS 3 Boys on the use of internet for Academic Pursuit and preparing the Boys for participation in the Chief of Army Staff (COAS) Essay/Literary Competition.

MILITARY TRAINING

8. Military Training for the Boys of NMS forms the foundation on which their career as soldiers on enlistment into the Nigerian Army is built upon. The Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session commenced with series of theoretical and practical military training exercises both within and outside the school premises. The practical training exercises were successfully conducted during the training session which includes: Practical Map Reading Ex for the SS 1 and SS 2 Boys, Introductory Shooting, Field Training Exercises, Obstacle Crossing/Swimming Competitions and Watermanship. The climax of the Military Training was **Exercise IKE OGU** for the SS 2 Boys. The exercise was carefully designed to inculcate modern fighting trend in the boys in tandem with current security challenges. The school reviewed its training curriculum and carried out some amendments in training activities to achieve the set goals which include the introduction to **Sand Model Exercises** and **Asymmetric Warfare**.

CO-CURRICULA ACTIVITIES

9. The conduct of co-curricula activities for both Boys and staff are designed to inculcate a healthy competitive spirit among them. NMS Boys were invited to participate at Armed Forces Command and Staff College Secondary School Inter House Sports competition and St Bartholomew Anglican School Inter Colour Athletic competition. The exercise were conducted to build the confidence level of the Boys. The co-curricula activities also ensure physical fitness and mental alertness of the Boys and personnel. The school also conducted excursion to the Nigerian College of Aviation Technology (NCAT) and Centre for Energy Research & Training (CERT) with SS 3 Boys.

DISCIPLINE

10. Discipline cannot be relegated if an organization is to survive and develop, this is the realization that put it as a mainstay of the effective component in the Nigerian Army. The level of discipline among the Boys is relatively satisfactory. The school had reviewed the NMS Rules & Regulation (Revised 2018) and the new Regulations will be effective in the third term. To this end, Parents and guardians are hereby enjoined to sustain the counseling of their wards to always obey all rules and regulations of the School. Let me reiterate the resolve of the School management to deal decisively with any act that is capable of eroding discipline in NMS in line with the provision of the Revised Rules and Regulations.

REPORT SHEETS

11. The report sheets in both Academic and Military examinations as well as examination scripts for the Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session is to be accessed online through the NMS portal i.e. nms.sch.ng/login Using the NMS number of the Boys as a portal ID and **S1234** as password. Parents/Guardians have it as an obligation to carefully peruse the report sheets and reward or scold their Boys' performances to spur them. Observations if any, to be

forwarded to the School authority for immediate action.

CONTRABAND ITEMS

12. Parents/guardians have been severally reminded of illegal/contraband items in the previous newsletters. Parents are once more reminded to caution their Boys against being in possession of illegal/contraband items. The Boys are very much aware of the contraband items. 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.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.

13. The following are additional very important information for parents/guardians. You are requested to carefully read and be guided accordingly:

a. **End of Second Term Holidays.** The holidays for end of Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session will run from 28 March to 4 May 2024. During these few weeks, parents are encouraged to engage the Boys in take-home assignments, domestic chores and skill acquisition programme. It is typical during this period, children desire to engage in excessive trips, and parents must put effort to discourage this desire for security reasons.

b. **Extension Classes.** Extension Classes for JSS 3, SS 2 and SS 3 Boys is rescheduled to hold from **22 April to 3 May 24**. This was designed to prepare the Boys for the coming external examination. Consequently, the boys are to resume fully prepared for Third Term Academic Session as no exit will be granted to them at the end of the extension.

c. **Additional Bills of SS 3 SS 2 and JSS 3.** Parents are please requested to make payment for their wards as follows:

(1) SS 3 Boys: Additional Extension Fee of N3,000 and JAMB Registration of N4,000.00.

(2) JSS 3 and SS 2 Boys: Additional Extension Fee of N3,000.00.

d. **Late Resumption.** Parents/Guardians are reminded that late resumption of Boys under any guise will not be tolerated. All the Boys MUST resume for the Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session on 4 May 2024. Henceforth any Boy out of the School for 21 days will be withdrawn from the School.

e. **Settlement of Bills.** Boys have been issued with their bills for the Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session. Parents/Guardians are to settle all the bills before the School resumes on Saturday, 4 May 2024. Henceforth, any Boy out of school for 21 days will be withdrawn from the school.

Notes to Parents/Guardians

a. All fees must be paid in full, not later than the first day of the term.

b. All fees must be paid into NMS Development levy Account No: **1014788872** with Zenith Bank.

c. A copy of this bill must be produced together with the copy of teller or any other evidence of payment at the reception point on resumption day.

d. No payment should be made in bank draft.

e. Teller/Evidence of payment must read the name and Class of the Boy.

f. Cash payment will not be accepted by the School. Any defaulter(s) in payment would not be allowed into the school.

BOYS REQUIREMENT.

14. The following are personnel items for boys to return with:

Toiletries

- a. 2 x Tissue Paper.
- b. Coy Fund **₦1000.00.**

Uniforms

- a. 2 x Pairs of Tetron.
- b. 2x Pairs of Camouflage.
- c. 2 x House wear
- d. 2 x Service wear.
- e. 2 x Brown Belt (Civil).
- f. 2 x Army Belt.
- g. 2 x Boot/Anklets.
- h. 2 x Canvas.
- i. 2 x Sandal (Brown).
- j. 2 x Vest (white).
- k. 4 x Underwear.
- l. 2 x Beret.
- m. 2 x Jungle hat.
- n. 2 x White Bed Sheet/Pillow Case.
- o. 2 x Plum/Cap Badge.
- p. 2 x NMS Badges.
- q. 2 x Lanyard.
- r. 1 x Blanket.
- s. 2 x Pair of Shoulder emblem.
- t. 2 x Chest emblem.
- u. 2 x Name tag of Tetron/Camo each.
- v. 2 x Pairs of Black/White socks each.
- w. 2 x Coy Sport wear.

Other items

- a. 1 x Pressing Iron.
- b. 1 x Flash light.
- c. 1 x Wrist Watch.
- d. 1 x Medium size towel.
- e. 1 x Packet of soap.
- f. 2 x Medium size of Dettol.
- g. 1 x Iron Bucket.
- h. 1 x Marking Torch.
- i. 1 x Roll On.

The above items are compulsory for the Boys to have and failure to show them at the point of entry, the Boy

WILL NOT BE ADMITTED INTO THE HOSTEL. It is therefore compulsory for all to have in order not to attract sanction. Parents/guardians are expected to bring their wards on or before the date of resumption. Failure to comply will attract sanctions.

HEALTH ISSUES.

15. The School has been proactive on issue of health and the wellbeing of all the Boys. Accordingly, the hostels and general class environment were regularly fumigated to eradicate mosquitos and insects. However, malaria related cases were oftenly reported at the Medical Inspection Room and frequently treated. I would like to once again enjoined parents to conduct medical test for their wards before resumption and ensure that Boys report back with medical report if any.

PROJECTIONS

16. The major activities for Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session involving parents are:

- a. **Resumption Date.** The School would resume for the Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session on Saturday, 4 May 2024. All the Boys are to be in the School latest by 1730hrs (5:30pm) on that date. No Boy would be allowed into the school premise after this stipulated time. The Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session will end on 3 August 2024.
- b. **First Continuous Assessment.** The Third Term continuous Assessment for all the classes has been scheduled to be conducted from 27 – 31 May 2024. Parents are pleased requested to encourage their wards to prepare for the asseßment.

c. **Visiting Day.** The visiting day for Third Term 2023/2024 Academic Session would be held on **Saturday 29 June 2024.** Parent would be allowed in the school from 0900 – 1730hrs (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 1000hrs – 1300hrs (10:00am – 1:00pm) at the School Multipurpose Hall.

CONCLUSION

17. This Newsletter has intimated parents on the Second Term 2023/2024 Academic Session activities. I have also reiterated our resolve to ensure that Boys maintain high level of discipline with impeccable character and excellent academic performances. The unique and unprecedented efforts of the Chief of Army Staff at ensuring NMS as fully repositioned into an enviable military training institution. Parents' roles towards the effective training of the Boys are critical and have been encouraged to partner with the School to ensure that our Boys remain highly disciplined and morally upright.

18. On this note therefore, we thank our esteemed Parents and guardians for their support and understanding with the School. We recognize the fact that we are all stakeholders and partners in progress. I also want to on behalf of personnel of NMS, wish the Boys and their families Happy Easter/Sallah Celebrations.

Yours faithfully



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Commandant