

ABIOLA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

2, Opebi Road, Ikeja Lagos

Friday, 25th September 2020

Dear Parent,

Operational Academic Plan for the First Term of 2020/21 Session

The school resumes officially on Tuesday, 29th September 2020.

In compliance with the Lagos State Office of Education Quality Assurance and considering the request of some of our parents, the school is open to two Learning Systems of Education for this term.

- 1. Hybrid education and
- 2. Distance education.

The school is taking advantage of the system made possible by the Lagos State Office of Education Quality Assurance which allows a gradual and flexible reopening of schools to physical learning to reduce the number of children in school at the same time.

The school is welcome to different learning systems as it enables us to build on our virtual learning standards and stretches our capacity to stand distinct among the community of schools. We are assuring you of quality education for your children irrespective of your choice of a learning system.

However, this is only possible with great cooperation from all stakeholders.

A schedule is attached for both learning systems and all highlights must be adhered to for smooth running of school activities.

The school would not engage in extra-curricular activities this term; the likes of Swimming, Taekwando, Dance, etc. Hence, the school would run from Monday to Thursday, excluding Friday which is usually our extracurricular day. The school will run its curricular and co-curricular activities from Monday to Thursday.

A structured, scheduled, and supervised playtime is arranged for them during the break. They would not be indoors all day. We will ensure they have a livelier time in school while considering health and safety precautions.

The school resumes 8am and closes 1:30 pm, Monday to Thursday irrespective of your choice of Learning System.

The first three weeks of resumption is scheduled for Revision of 3rd Term Content. Pupils will still maintain their classes with their previous teachers for the first three weeks and transit to the next class in the fourth week. All previous textbooks and notes written during the 3rd term virtual learning should be brought to school for an adequate wrap-up.

You are encouraged to enlighten your ward on social distancing and to maintain their personal space with friends. They are free to discuss and chat.

Parents, please ensure that your ward(s) comes in with all their necessities. The nannies would not be able to leave the premises until the school closes at 1:30 pm because they would be stationed at the corridors to ensure proper use of restrooms and washing of hands.

We encourage parents to collaborate with the school on convenient measure they would prefer for their wards at the Nursery Session to experience learning at this stage of their Sensitive Period for learning. The Nursery resumption is still on hold until we get further instructions from the Office of Education Quality Assurance, Lagos State. However, it is very possible for the school to have a 10 to 20 minutes Zoom Time schedule, approximately 2hours per day, Monday to Friday for age 4 upward. These sessions with your ward can only be possible with the supervisory role of an adult at the background. Please, do call the front-desk personnel for your decisions and a schedule would be sent to you.

The mercies of God, the support of some parents and cordial relationship between the Management and staff have kept us thus far. That we could still retain our staff is a plus for the school.

This is a vulnerable moment for the Management and the staff as salaries have not been constant especially since July to date. The staff should be commended for being able to manage transportation back and forth in the last week or two, especially with the unstable economy. I hereby use this medium to seek your understanding and cooperation as regards the payment of fees. There is no alternative way to run the school.

The need to resuscitate the momentum and ensure that staff are intrinsically motivated to give the best services to your wards is paramount; to have the school environment and classrooms conducive for learning is a basic fact for any good education. The new norm requires prompt payment of fees for the availability of tools necessary for your wards to be relevant and confident in future exploits. We are here to render you services that can only be possible with your financial commitment.

The school would only entertain pupils who have at least 80% of their fees paid by their parents to the school account. We advise that parents that are yet to do so to please, keep their wards at home and the online platform would not be accessible to anyone that is yet to adhere to the expected. Please, do bear with us.

Pupils are to come in with their nose mask. The mask could be replaced with the shield only in the class. It would be nice to get your ward a pouch to keep the nose mask when he/she is on the

shield. Please tag your child's possessions with his/her name. Pupils should be smartly and neatly dressed in school uniform at all times.

"It is the child who makes the man, and no man exists who was not made by the child he once was."

"The greatest gifts we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence"

"The education of even a small child, therefore, does not aim at preparing him for school, but for life"

"We discovered that education is not something which the teacher does, but that it is a natural process which develops spontaneously in the human being"

Dr. Maria Montessori.

We appreciate our parents that made it to the Parents/Teachers Forum which took place in the school yesterday.

Once again, our pupils are expected back in school on Tuesday, 29th September 2020.

Thank you.

For: Abiola International School

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