

NEWSLETTER FOR RESUMPTION OF 1ST TERM 2014/ 2015 ACADEMIC SESSION

We give thanks to the Almighty God on the commencement of another academic term/session. We also express our appreciation to all our parents/ guardians for your prayers, moral support and patronage. We pray that God in his infinite mercies make you reap the reward of all your labour upon your children.

To make this new academic term more interesting, educative, fun filled, and a term different from all we have witnessed in GKA, we have lined up lots of programs for the pupils and the parents.

NEW SCHEME DEVELOPMENT

Having it in mind that what makes a real school is almost dependent on the scheme used; the management have taken the step to develop a new scheme of work for the pupils. The new scheme encompasses the British curriculum and the Nigerian curriculum. It has been carefully structured and revised to bring out the genius in our children.

PUPILS ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

The education of a child is not constricted to the classroom alone, neither is it limited to reading and writing. Proper etiquette, good manners, self-confidence, proper reasoning method, becoming a fair thinker, are all areas that we look into here in Genius Kids Academy. To build a "Total Child" who can stand out among his peers like "Daniel" is our watchword. That is why from the commencement of this academic term, which is September 30, 2014, we will introduce the following to access and develop a total learner.

LIBRARY HOUR

Library Hour will come up every Wednesday of the week. The pupils are encouraged to come with a textbook, novel or any book of their choice that conforms to their age from which

they can gain something positive. This book, they will read within this period with a focus on the use of Diction.

MENTAL MATH CLASS

The Mental Math class is to come up every school day of the week (Monday to Friday) between the period of 7.30am and 7.45am before assembly time. This class is specifically designed to boost our pupils' appreciation/ problem solving techniques in Mathematics and also prepare them for external competitions such as the Sterling Math Budding competition. Parents are advised to make sure their children are in school early to participate in this class.

SPELLING CLASS

The Spelling Class is specifically designed to boost our pupils' knowledge in the area of spelling and the right pronunciation of words using the right Diction, and also prepare them for external Spelling Bee competition like the Taste Spelling Bee competition. The Spelling Class comes up every morning immediately after the early morning assembly, between 8.15am to 8.30am.

VOCATIONAL CLASS

There is a new innovation in our vocational classes. Apart from the normal classes, the pupils will be taught bag making, bead making, and garment sewing. With this, the creative side of our pupils will be awakened and it will prepare them for the future.

DICTION CLASS

As from the first day of the new academic session, there will be much emphasis on the speaking of the English Language using the right Diction. When the pupils speak in the right diction at school, and also do same with their parents at home, then we should expect a positive result.

MY DAY REFLECTION SHEET

This sheet will be given to pupils in order for them to reflect on what they have been taught in class for that day. The teacher uses this to know if learning has taken place in the classroom/school environment, with this the teacher knows the next step to take.

BEHAVIOUR ASSESSMENT SHEET

The purpose of the behaviour assessment sheet is to build a "Total Child" not only in terms of reading and writing, but in obeying rules and regulations and knowing their implications, in building a positive attitude and standing out among their peers. When a child knows that at the end of the week, his behaviour for that week determines the type of card he gets, whether red, green, or yellow, he behaves properly and conducts himself well. Why? Because all a child will want to receive is the green card which denotes "excellent behaviour". Once they get used to the positive attitude and good manners, their future is certainly secure.

AEROBICS CLASS

To further make our pupil look fit in health and stature, which will further enhance their learning capabilities, the school has put in place an aerobics class every Thursday morning from 7.45am to 8.00am. All pupils are expected to participate fully in this class.

STAR PUPIL

The purpose of the Star Pupil letter is to get to know more about a "Special Classmate" whom the teacher has chosen for that particular week. This creates a sense of belonging in a child, builds self confidence, and the child feels secure knowing that he/she belongs to a special community who cares.

NEW CLUBS

Taking into cognizance the importance of increasing our pupils cognitive skills, positive identity, interpersonal skills, which help build healthy self esteem, our parents should lookout for the following new clubs as from the inception of the new term

1. **WRITERS CLUB:** This club will promote the act of writing such as journals,

novels, blogs, articles for publications, letters, etc among our pupils.

2. **MATH RIDERS:** This club will develop the child's cognitive skills and analytical ability in the area of Mathematics.
3. **CHESS AND SCRABBLE CLUB:** This club will raise the pupils IQ, prevent Alzheimer, increase creativity, improve memory usage and help them increase the usage of both sides of the brain.

1ST C.A TEST

The first C.A test will come up on Wednesday the 22nd to Friday the 24th of October , 2014.

PRE-INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION

The pre-independence day celebration was held come within the school complex on the 30th of September, 2014. The pupils were all dressed up in dressed in mufti with a touch of green and white. It was an entertaining and educative event as the pupils present participated in the "Who wants to be a Genius" game show. Prizes were given to pupils who came top during the game show.

INTER CLASS QUIZ COMPETITION

On Friday 31st of October, 2014, there will be an Inter-class quiz competition between the Basic classes on the following subjects

- ✓ Literacy
- ✓ Numeracy
- ✓ Diction
- ✓ Current Affairs

ART EXHIBITION/ PROJECT DEFENCE WEEK

- **PROJECT DEFENCE:** The Project for this term's theme is "Africa". each class will be given a sub-theme under "Africa" to work on. This will be communicated to the pupils by the class teacher. The date for the project defense/ presentation is Wednesday 19th of November, 2014.
- **ART EXHIBITION:** To further show our pupils' prowess in the world of Art, there

will be an Art Exhibition on Friday 21st of November, 2014. Parents are invited to come and see special displays in the world of Art by their children.

INTER CLASS SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

On Friday 7th of November, 2014, there will be an Inter-class Spelling bee competition. This is to assess our pupils on their readiness for any external Spelling Bee competition.

2ND C.A TEST

The second C.A test will come up on Wednesday November 26th to Friday November 28th, 2014

MID-TERM BREAK/ TEST

On Thursday 13th of November and Friday 14th of November, 2014, the pupils will be going on mid-term break. They are to resume back to school on the Monday 17th of November, 2014.

The mid-term test will come up from Monday 10th of November to Wednesday 12th of November, 2014.

STAKE HOLDERS FORUM

The Stake Holders Meeting has tentatively been scheduled to hold on Saturday 15th of November, 2014. Any changes in the date will be communicated to you.

INTER CLASS MENTAL MATH COMPETITION

On Friday 28th of November, 2014, there will be a Mental Math competition among the Elementary classes. The competition is to assess our pupils on their readiness to participate in external Mental Math competitions and to evaluate their comprehension of solving Mathematics mentally.

OPEN DAY

The open day for this term will be observed on Wednesday 12th of November, 2014 from 9.00am to 11.00am. Open Day proper will start immediately after the forum. All our parents are expected to be present during the forum as we will be discussing ways of adding more value to

the lives of our children and ourselves as parents.

REVISION

The revision class for the 1st term 2014/ 2015 will commence on Thursday 4th of December and ends on Monday 8th December, 2014

1ST TERM EXAMINATION

The 1st term 2014/ 2015 examination commences on Tuesday, 9th of December, 2014 and ends on Friday 12th of December, 2014.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The end of the year/ Christmas party will come up on Thursday 18th of December, 2014. It will be a fun filled and educative one for the pupils.

Time: 10am to 1pm.

Venue: School premises

THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE

The school's website is being given a new design and layout. Parents will be able to view past events, upcoming events, and get current news from our website. Parents will also be able to download the school's academic calendar, newsletter, and time table from the website.

The address of the website still remains <http://www.genioustkidsacademy.org>

STAFF TRAINING

As we all know that the learning of an individual goes on till he or she goes to the great beyond, or else that person finds himself in the B.C years. With this in mind, and to further enhance the skills and professionalism of our staff members, the management of this great citadel of learning has put in place the following seminars/ workshops for the staff members:

1. Proper Use of the English Language for Effective Communication
2. How To Teach A Child to Read Using Phonics
3. Speaking in the Right Diction
4. 21st Century Method of Writing Lesson Note
5. Fostering Critical Thinking in the Classroom

6. Critical Thinking and Learners Centered Learning
7. Creative Classroom Design
8. Professionalism in The Workplace

DATA RECOVERY FORM

Attached to this newsletter is a data recovery form. Kindly fill as appropriate and return to the school's administrative section on Monday 13th of October, 2014.

SCHOOL FEES

Parents are expected to pay up their children's school fees on or before resumption. A grace of two weeks after resumption is given after which, those who do not pay up will not be allowed into the school compound. The management has agreed that pupils who are yet to pay up their school fees will not be given textbooks/workbooks yet, until payment is made.

Once again, we say thank for your patronage, prayer and support over the years. Remain blessed, always.

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Signed
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Headteacher