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50 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE



Establishing a high standard of education is not an easy feat; maintaining it for fifty decades is even more challenging. Our hearts are full of thanksgiving for the progress we have made. To date, more than 14,000 children have attended Grace Schools.

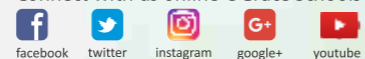
After half a century, Grace Schools remain committed to the education of unique and reflective individuals with global perspective and zeal for excellence. Generations of alumni bear witness to this with their outstanding achievements. Today, they occupy top echelons of the Nigerian society and beyond.

We stand on our principles of instilling a value-character education and bench-marking the best of technology to deliver world class education. Our bedrock remains to develop the total child. We are confident that our achievements in the next 50 years will even be greater.

Admission is open to children of all races, nationalities, religions, creeds and socio-economic backgrounds.

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ADMINISTRATOR, GRACE SCHOOLS

WELCOME

Thank you for your interest in Grace Schools.

We are a vibrant learning community. I trust that our prospectus gives you a feel of the opportunities, experiences and successes that our students enjoy.

The schools, in partnership with parents, have a long and proud history of serving children with high standard of learning in our boarding and day school facilities and systems. We have a unique ethos that provides a calm and caring environment that is focused on student engagement and quality achievement.

Children's individuality and difference are recognised and embraced at all levels. Curiosity, creativity and leadership are fostered. Relationships between staff and students are warm and mutually respectful.

It is on record that our students perform excellently and easily gain admission to the world's finest colleges and universities after graduation. In sustaining and developing on our *raison d'être*, the schools have a clear strategy for the future based around four key areas;

- Delivering top-notch teaching and learning
- Ensuring every student stays engaged
- Making the most of the access to world class resources
- Maximising on students achievement

Please take advantage of our contact details, should you need more information. Feel free to visit our website or make personal contact with us so we know how to assist with meeting your child's need.

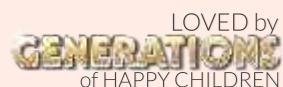
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WINNER:



GRACE SCHOOLS – comprising GRACE CHILDREN SCHOOL and GRACE HIGH SCHOOL – are an experienced institution. We are very excited, celebrating in 2018 the landmark of 50 years of our commitment to providing children with their initial and vital grooming for leadership.

Commonwealth Science Class Competition is an initiative delivered by British Council in partnership with the Royal Society, the oldest national scientific institution in the world. Students from schools across the Commonwealth came together in teams to carry out investigative science projects.

Chinese Bridge is a contest organised by Confucius Institute for foreign students on the mastery of the Chinese language.

The British Council's International School Award is a globally recognised accreditation for enriched learning, improved teaching and embedded international education within the school's curriculum and culture. Grace Children School is the first school to receive the award in Nigeria – for the years 2014 to 2017.

Grace Schools was selected as a Microsoft Showcase School in 2016 and 2017 for its excellence in transforming its learning environment to deliver more personalised education to students, using mobile and cloud technology to better prepare students. There are about 850 Microsoft Showcase Schools around the world.

Providing students with in-demand technical skills, empowering the next generation to build the future of their dreams.

We are Certiport Authorised Testing Centre. Certiport is dedicated to helping people succeed through certification. It delivers more than three million exams each year through the secondary, post-secondary, workforce and corporate technology markets.

We offer Cambridge International Examinations at Grace Schools.

Generations of alumni of Grace Schools speak of their love for Grace Schools and attest to the continuous high performance of students and global outlook of learning schemes at the schools.

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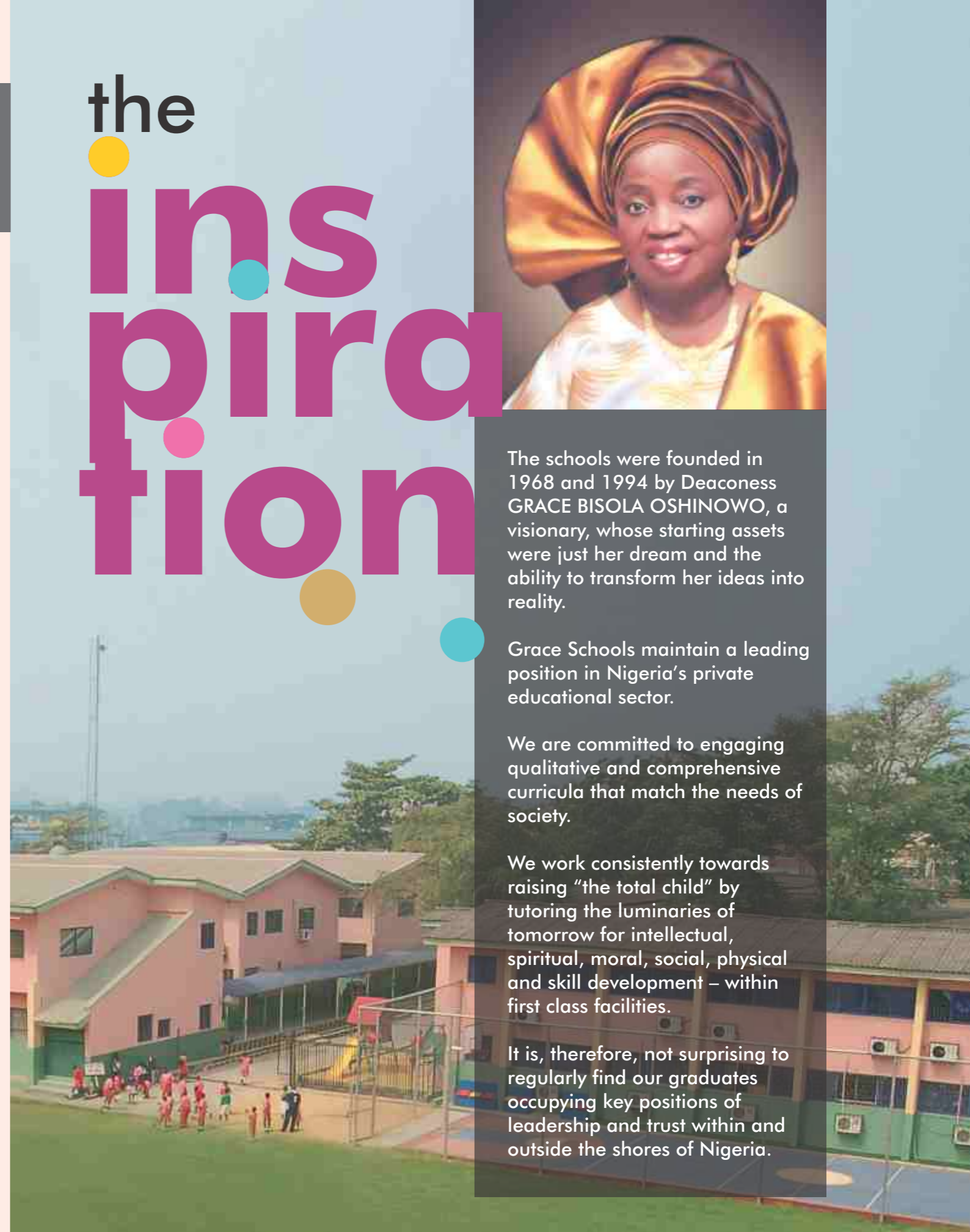
The schools were founded in 1968 and 1994 by Deaconess GRACE BISOLA OSHINOWO, a visionary, whose starting assets were just her dream and the ability to transform her ideas into reality.

Grace Schools maintain a leading position in Nigeria's private educational sector.

We are committed to engaging qualitative and comprehensive curricula that match the needs of society.

We work consistently towards raising "the total child" by tutoring the luminaries of tomorrow for intellectual, spiritual, moral, social, physical and skill development – within first class facilities.

It is, therefore, not surprising to regularly find our graduates occupying key positions of leadership and trust within and outside the shores of Nigeria.



Our Core Values

At Grace Schools, » Discipline, » Commitment, » Diligence and » Spiritual Development are our watchwords.

Our Vision

Grace Schools are committed to providing complete and quality education with a view to turning out well-groomed scholars that will contribute immensely to our society.

Our Mission Statement

Creating a conducive environment, using top class facilities and human resources for academic, moral, religious and skill development of a total child.

Indigent Scholarship Scheme

Deaconess Grace Bisola Oshinowo Indigent Scholarship Scheme was established in the year 2004 and it is available till date.

This award creates opportunity in manifold to very sound scholars who, for one reason or another, might have been excluded from the top-notch educational services provided by Grace Schools.

The scholarship scheme covers the entire SS1 to SS3 classes. Thus full tuition, boarding, stationery, textbooks, uniform and the students' registration requirements for WASSCE and other examinations are supplied.

The scholarship extends outside of Grace Schools for the recipients and supports them through their university education.

Beside the Deaconess Grace Bisola Oshinowo Indigent Scholarship Scheme, there are other awards to students for high academic performance and excellence.

Enabling Environment

Our schools are strategically located at the serene and secure Gbagada Estate, Lagos State, Nigeria.

All classrooms are well furnished, well lit, spacious and airy. They are pre-arranged for not more than 25 students at any time. Learning experience is practically optimized by the class arrangements and the use of up-to-date audio-visual communication aids and interactive boards installed in every classroom.

Admission is open to children of all races, nationalities, religions, creeds and socio-economic background.

Guest Open Days

Why not come along to one of our open days? These days give you the opportunity to look around at the facilities, talk to tutors, meet other parents and see the variety of activities we are involved in at Grace Schools.

Creche

2nd and 4th Thursday of every month.

Nursery

2nd and 4th Thursday of every month.

Primary

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High School

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School Calendar

A full academic session, as laid down by National Policy on Education, runs for thirty-nine weeks.

First term runs for twelve or thirteen weeks commencing from second week of September to second week of December. Second term begins in the second week of January and runs through to April for twelve or thirteen weeks of exceptional learning involvement at Grace Schools. Third term resumes last week of April or first week of May and runs for twelve or thirteen weeks.

The sixth week of every term is time for mid-term test. Mid-term break follows in the seventh week and lasts for one week (Monday to Friday). Second half of term of school activities begins in the eighth week. Tenth week is revision. Eleventh week is examination while, twelfth and thirteenth weeks mark the end of the term activities and beginning of vacation.

Inter-House Sports Festival holds in 1st term – December of each year, before vacation.

At Grace Schools, we love to celebrate our achievements. We organize a special Prize-giving Ceremony for the classes and make it an annual event, hosting our children to a memorable lunch at a Five Star Hotel.

The peak of excellent and attested learning experience of our children is celebrated with a Valedictory Service for outgoing students of Grade 6 and SS3. In the month of July of every year, this is a most unforgettable moment for the students and everyone who shares in the success of our institutions.

Diverse Resources and Skills

Grace Schools' teaching staff rank among the best available, keeping ahead with world class approach to children's education. Both the academic and non-academic staff work together, as one exceptional and coordinated team, to progress our mission of raising "the total child."

That our teachers have natural interest in helping our young students develop their talents is obvious in their uncommon enthusiasm. Every student is encouraged beyond the learning of basic subjects. They are aided to develop a wide spectrum of skills, faculties and interests – in areas including application of music, sciences, arts, sports, histrionics, crafts, exhibitions, symposiums, excursions and other extra-curricular activities.

Grace Schools' facilities help students mould good character and the confidence to explore their imaginations, positively. Extensive training and supervision cater to students' individual strengths and shortcomings. Each student gets the best of assistance in the development of his or her sense of identity with relationship to the larger world.



The Crèche

The Crèche admits babies of pre-school ages – usually between 6 weeks and 2 years. These babies receive total care in our homely and secure environment. High premium is placed on comfort, safety and hygiene.

The Crèche is supervised by a nurse, assisted by conscientious members of staff who meet the children's needs. Whether they are sleeping, learning and playing with their numerous toys or being fed, they do so naturally feeling at home.

We listen,
We care,
We share,
We learn
We play...
We are happy



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The Children School

Grace Children School includes the nursery and primary.

The nursery operates the Montessori system of teaching. The key part of our curriculum focuses on Cognitive, Psychomotor and Affective domains of education.

Each day at school starts with the morning assembly and devotion at 07H30. The day progresses into an engaging and fun-filled curriculum which conforms to international standards of education.

By the end of the two-year nursery, they will have learnt to sing many songs. They will have been able to recognise and spell common words and read them in sentences. They will have begun to write simple stories by themselves. They will have started using books for enjoyment and reference. They will have developed a good understanding of numbers and shapes.

The primary runs a six-year programme in line with the 6-3-3-4 system. The objective is to further develop the knowledge and intellectual skills required for success.

Ultimately, our broad based curriculum ably prepares our pupils for the Nigerian Common Entrance Examinations and Cambridge Primary Checkpoint Examination. The preparations assure priority admissions into reputable colleges and institutions in Nigeria and overseas.

WORLD CLASS APPROACH

The High School

Admission is open at Grace High School to successful candidates. Scholarships are available for best common entrance performances.

Every school day starts formally and promptly at 07H30 with morning assembly and devotion. Lessons start at 08H15 and the day proceeds with a short break at 10H30. Lunch is served to all learners between 12H30 and 13H00. School ends daily at 15H30.

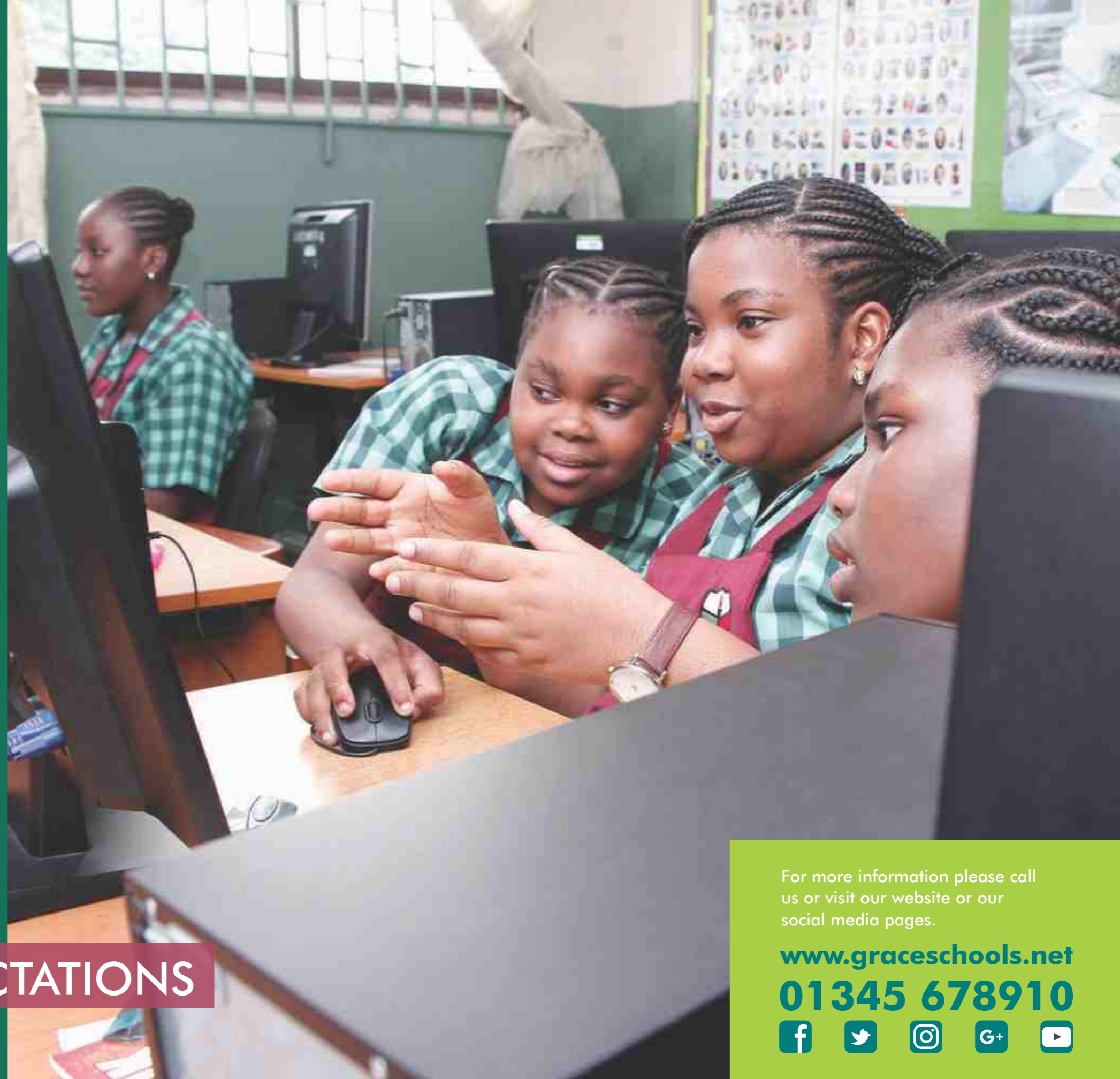
Traditional Monday to Friday academic routine is punctuated with quality time set apart on Wednesdays for club activities and, Thursdays, for checking students' lesson notes to ensure that their work is up to date. Parents are particularly cheerful about this as it keeps them abreast of their children's progress.

Excellent tuition is provided on all JSS and SSS subjects. Teaching programme goes well beyond the range of subjects and courses recommended by the Ministry of Education. The opportunities that our students have are quite unique to Grace Schools.

The results we have attained are exemplary at both national and international levels. Students in the final phase of secondary school are not only given the options of sitting for the WAEC and local NECO examinations, they are also offered the Cambridge IGCSE and 'O' Level UK examinations.

Key Milestone Examinations:

1. The Junior School Certificate Examination (JSCE) Curriculum
2. Checkpoint Syllabus (Mock IGCSE)
3. Senior School Certificate Examination (SSCE) O'Level
4. International General Certificate of Secondary Education, Cambridge (IGCSE)



EXCELLENCE & EXPECTATIONS

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Creativity and Performance

The Arts Department is considered the engine room of the Children School. It is where peculiar and creative inclinations of children are discovered and talent development processes begin. All facilities are geared towards the advantage of our pupils' learning.

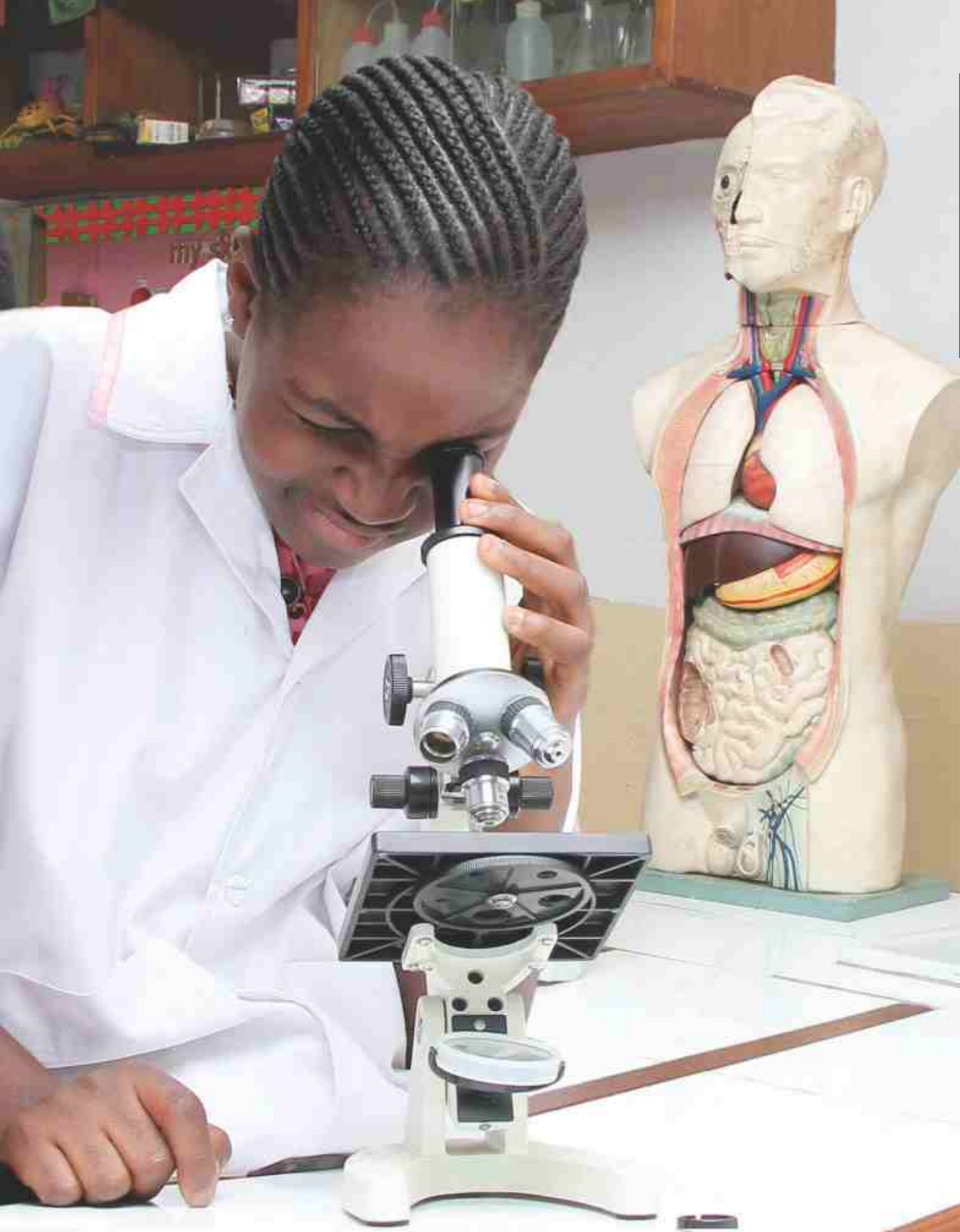
The students of both the Children School and High School showcase brilliant talents in Colouring, Drawing, Painting and Graphic Designs, Craft Work, Sculpture, Ceramic, Textile and Fashion Design.

The Music Department employs a talented team of teachers who cater to the needs of pupils intending to learn to play a musical instrument. Students can enjoy traditional music courses alongside innovative approaches.



Everything is geared towards pupils' learning advantage





Discover

The Science Laboratories are well equipped and up to date with resources. These create an atmosphere where our budding scientists at the children and high schools can feel inspired and confident in carrying out their experiments and study projects.



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Rich Tradition and Culture

Students take part in Cultural, Dance and Drama events and build upon their life experiences.

They have participated in both local and international art competitions with exceptional results and several awards which have made our schools and parents proud.

Many of our students take advantage of wonderful resources including high quality recording and editing equipment. Many choose to develop their dance skills and becoming Dance Leaders through choreography.

Allied to a rich mixture of extra-curricular activities offered to our creative students, Grace Schools Arts Department is an exciting place at the heart of an exciting institution.



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Information and Computer Technology

The schools fully belong in the digital generation and we have clear targets about the educational outcomes expected of our students. We invest in machines and software in support of up-to-date curriculum and world-class learning. Areas of use include teaching and computer assisted instruction, presentation, practice, text and examination, archiving, interaction and collaboration.

ICT subjects are led by expert teachers who themselves constantly undergo professional courses and upgrade training in ICT. They help us explore the limitless opportunities provided by ICT education.

Important information and documents such as: Reports, Achievement Results, Staff and Student Assessments, Reviews, etc. are accessible in both print and digital formats.



Aside the internal computer networks (intranet), Grace Schools have a strong presence on the web (www.graceschools.net) and by extension on popular social media networks. We disseminate useful materials and stay connected with our students, old students, parents and interested audience.

We, also, have in place a modern and fully equipped Cyber Café, with round the clock broad band internet connection. This is available to students and staff members to seek and gain useful knowledge as well as conduct researches, unhindered.

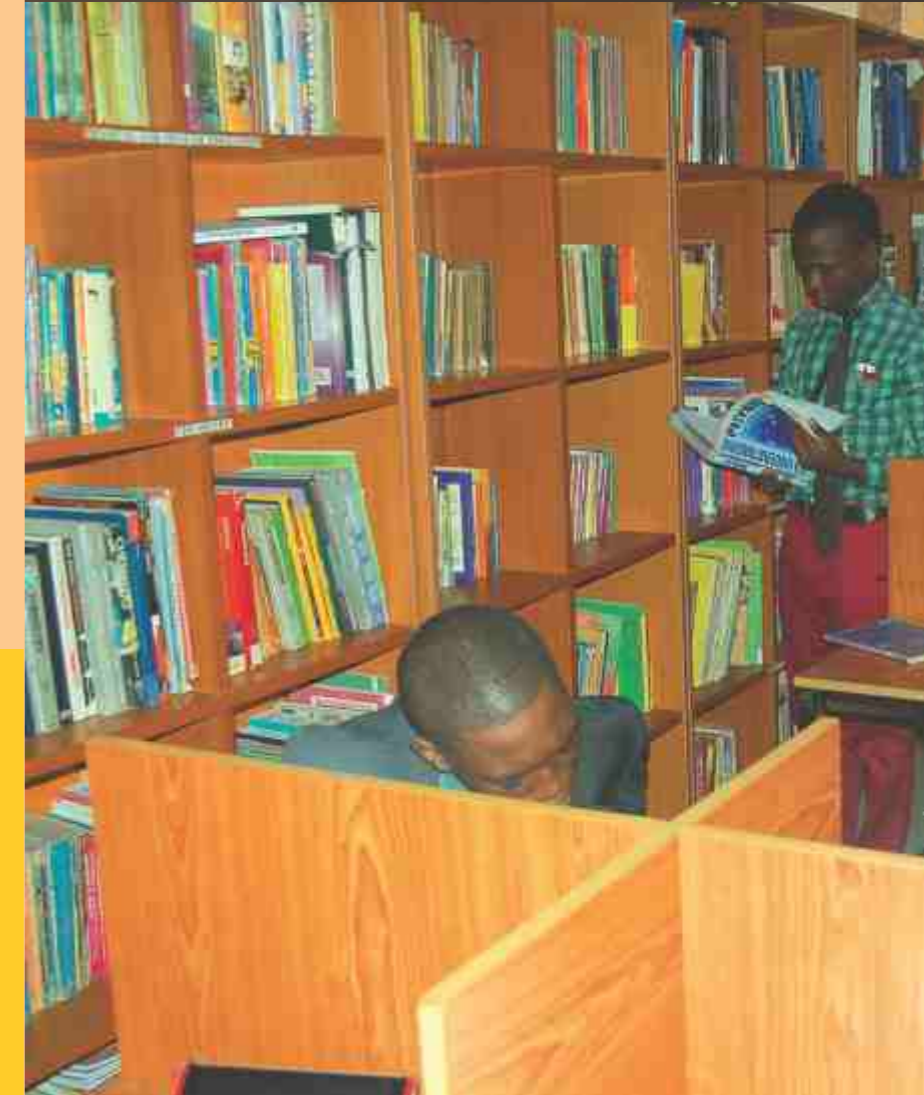
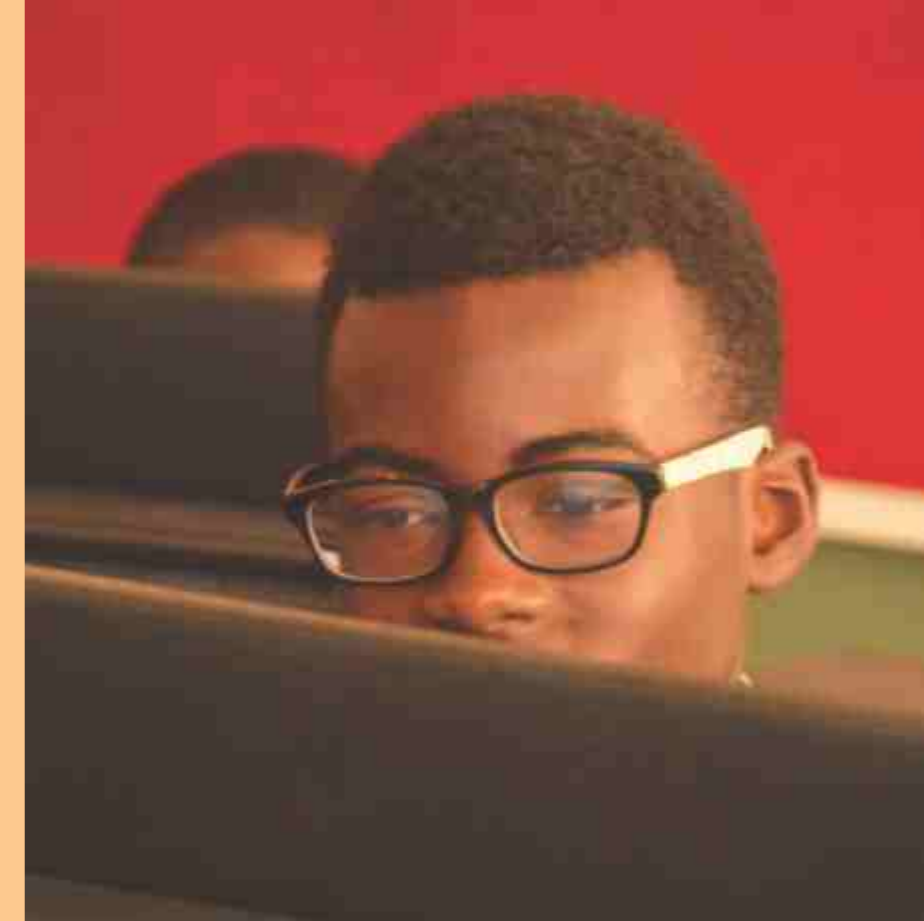
Explore

Our Libraries are sufficiently stocked with print and digital resources to maximize the learning experience of our students. We make sure we update our resources on a regular basis.

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Chinese Classes 中文 汉语



In keeping up with nurturing global citizenship and opportunity exposures, Grace Schools projected into the future and introduced Chinese classes, in 2010, at both the primary and secondary levels.

More than one fifth of the world's population speak Chinese. More and more students around the world are studying the languages with enthusiasm and success. People who speak more than one language get preference considerations in international business circles. China at the moment is the second largest economy of the world and poised to become the largest.



Mini Zoo

Grace Children School has a mini zoological garden, amazingly, the first and only of its kind in the country, where animals like geese, peacocks, ostriches, monkeys, donkeys, camels, antelopes and tortoise, are available. So, the children do not only hear about these animals but can also see and interact with them. This helps to broaden their idea about wild life. The zoo, also, serves as a tourist centre to parents and visiting pupils from other schools.



Excellent Facilities and Memorable Experiences

Hostels

Secure and comfortable hostel accommodation. Modern facilities for sleeping, studying and recreation. Female and male hostels are under the disciplined supervision of trained staff.

Feeding

Weekly menu is designed by a professional dietician. Experienced chef leads the preparation of wholesome and tasty cuisines. Meals are served to the students' satisfaction in a well equipped and hygienic environment.

Clinic

The clinic is staffed with professional paramedical personnel. It attends to basic healthcare and wellness needs of the students. We make referrals to public and private hospitals if and when the need arises. We, also, have arrangements for routine visits by healthcare personnel to the schools from time to time.

Ancillary Facilities

Round the clock power supply is ensured by the backup system of modern 100kVA and 250kVA generators. Constant maintenance, monitoring, safety and security measures are provided by trained members of staff.





Great in Competitions

Grace Schools have a strong sporting tradition. A large expanse of land is dedicated to state of the art sporting facilities within the school premises.

Periods are assigned for both indoor and outdoor games under the direction of experienced Sports Master and Mistress – who assist with training and development of individual and team competencies. Games and competitions are constantly organised and attended. Our students have won many local, regional and international competitions.

The schools authority plans to invest heavily in students who continually raise the bar in their commitment to the schools sporting, cultural and intellectual programmes.





Clubs and Extras

Club activities are strongly encouraged for the socio-cultural development and intellectual health of students. Clubs currently available in our school are:

Literary & Debating Society, Boys' Scout, Girls' Guide, Brownies, Red Cross, Art Club, Baseball Club, Swimming Club, Taekwondo Club, Ballet Club and The Young Writers Club.

Preparation and presentation of a variety of Shows, Tableaux, Pageantries, Dance Dramas, Ballets, Exhibitions and Diverse Competitions (Intra as well as Inter-Institutional), have taken a prime place in our extra-curricular attention.





Excursion

Our curriculum extends to cover learning beyond the walls of the classroom.

Outings and visits are organized for students to various places of interest within and outside Lagos, and at many other times, to overseas countries. Trips are financed by parents under the supervision, guidance and care of experienced staff.

Excursions are highly educative, entertaining and enjoyable. They are aimed at:

- Helping the child to learn outside the four walls of a classroom.
- Assisting the student to keep abreast of diverse societal occurrences.
- Expanding the learner's perspective of a wider world.

Places visited in the past include: Republic of Benin, Togo, Ghana, UAE, Belgium, France, Luxembourg, Germany, Netherlands and China. Other places were Singapore, United Kingdom and Dubai.

Our schools synchronize pupils' scheme of work with places of excursion for a more meaningful teaching process.



Awards and International Recognition

Recent awards include: British Council International School Award 2014 – 2017, for nurturing global citizenship, 1st Position Over-all 2014 ICT Competition.

Les- enfant Orchestra Competition: Sound of Africa 2012 (1st position at Primary level); Chinese Bridge Competition organized by Confucius Institute, University of Lagos (1st positions at Primary and Secondary levels); Nigerite's Lagos Green Schools Essay Competition 2012 (1st position Senior Secondary category); Helen O' Grady Drama Academy (Drama Personality of the Year 2012).

Others worthy of mention are: ICT 2012, a Nigeria Computer Society and Grace Schools' Computer Club Initiative (2nd position); Mathematic & Spellodrome Competition; Parents' Night 2012, Children School; Deaconess Grace Bisola Oshinowo Football Cup Tournament 2012; and Grace Children School Whizkids Spelling Competition 2012.

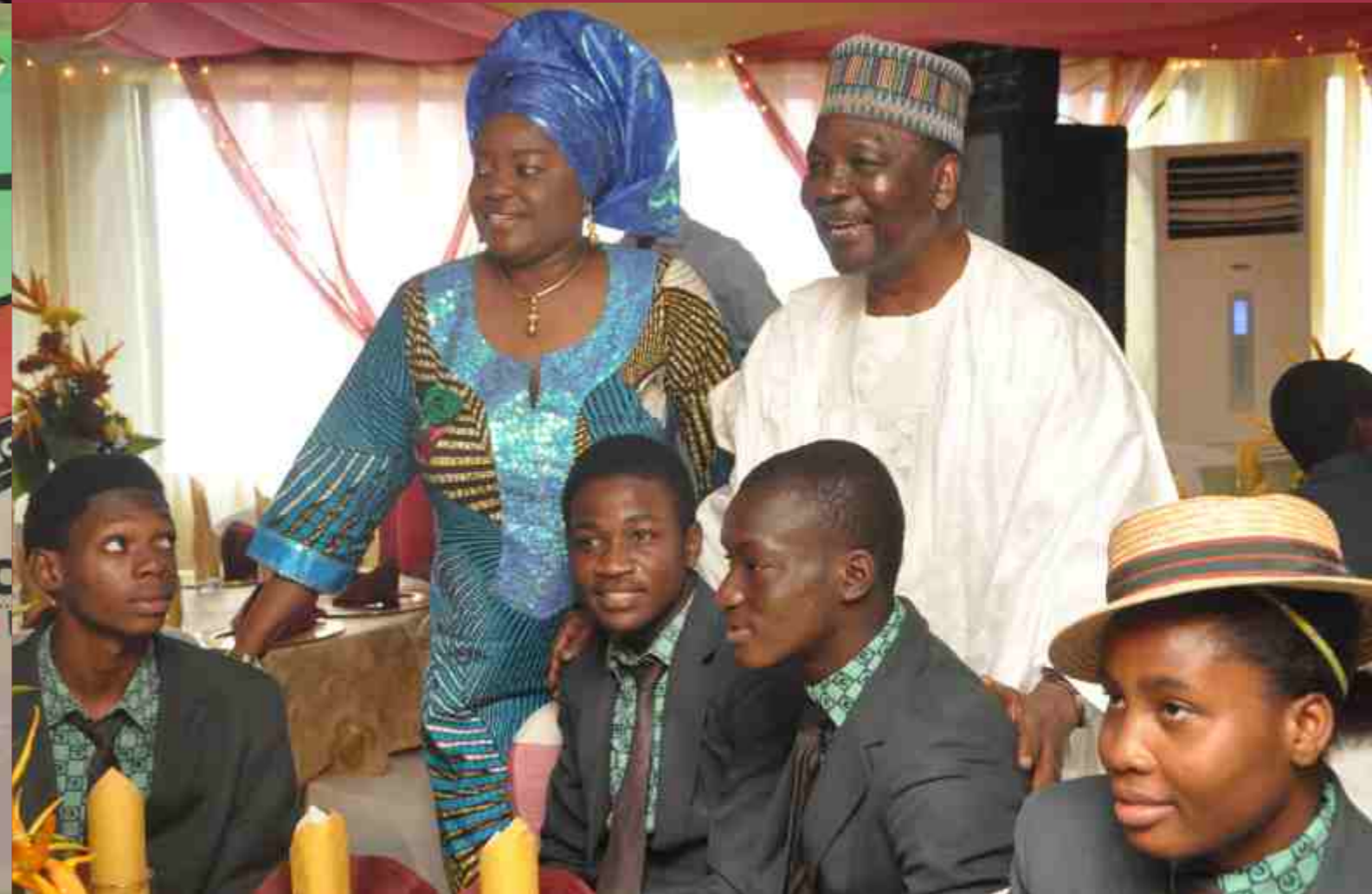




August Visitors

Bearing credence to our standard of excellence, we have eminent personalities visiting our schools from time to time.

Among those who paid courtesy visit to our schools were the former Nigerian Head of State, (Rtd.) General Yakubu Gowon, the Chinese Consul General, Mr. Guo Kun, Professor Lirong Jiang, Co-Director Confucius Institute, University of Lagos and Emeritus Professor J. P. Clark, an internationally renowned literary icon.



Parents' Partnership



The Parents Teachers' Association, PTA, is well positioned to foster communications, promote community spirit and engender development for children beyond what the school management and staff could achieve on their own. Our institutions provide platforms and events for parental conversations and involvement.

The OPEN DAY and MEET THE PARENTS OF NEW STUDENTS' DAY for the Children School and High School give parents the opportunity to interact with the teachers and be updated on the school work progress of their children. Parents organize GRACE JAMZ, an annual event that enable parents, children and the staff to come together to have fun. The growing relationships among the parents and teachers help our schools meet challenges and move us ahead of our contemporaries.



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