



END OF THE WEEK NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME ADDRESS

BY THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We made it! The 2025/2026 academic year has finally come to an end, and what a year it has been.

There were lots of lessons, achievements, exciting trips, concerts, sports, performances and, of course, a few unexpected moments to keep us on our toes. Thankfully, we made it through together.

Our theme, "Be the Change," was clearly seen in action this year. Our students made us proud by making a positive difference both in school and in the community. None of this would have been possible without your support, so thank you for being part of the journey.

We ended the term in style with our Summer Concerts, Art Exhibition, Swimming Galas, Bake Sale and many other fun activities. Be sure to enjoy the photos and highlights in this newsletter.

Now it's time for a well-earned summer break. Enjoy the holidays and don't forget to get plenty of rest, both you and the children.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday, 1 September, refreshed, smiling and ready for another exciting school year.

Have a fantastic summer!

Richard McMahon
Head of School

IMPORTANT NOTICE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Resumption Date and Key Dates

The 2026/2027 academic year begins on Tuesday, 1 September 2026. The Half Term Break will take place from Monday, 19 October to Friday, 23 October 2026. The Christmas Term will end on Friday, 11 December 2026. We look forward to welcoming all our students back for another exciting and successful academic year.

2026/2027 Christmas Term Calendar

The 2026/2027 Christmas Term Calendar has been attached for your information. It provides an overview of the activities planned for the term, allowing parents to stay informed and prepare for key events throughout the Christmas term.

False Fire Alarm

On the morning of Wednesday, 8 July, a false fire alarm was triggered after aerosol deodorant spray was used in the changing room. To help prevent this from happening again, we kindly ask parents to provide their children with roll-on deodorants instead of aerosol sprays for use at school. Thank you for your cooperation.

TWO DAYS OF MUSIC, DANCE AND CELEBRATION

Grange was filled with music, colour and excitement over two unforgettable days as both the Primary and Secondary Schools held their much-anticipated Summer Concerts on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Primary Summer Concert featured beautiful choir performances, a colourful Year 2 Fashion Parade, and delightful presentations from our Nursery and Reception pupils. The audience also enjoyed performances inspired by different countries, including South Korea, Italy, Jamaica, Brazil and Samoa. Violin and brass band performances showcased our students' musical talents, while Year 6 ended the concert with an energetic Dance Battle, Cheerleading routine and Boy Band performance.

The celebrations continued on Thursday with the Secondary Summer Concert, where students wowed the audience with an evening of outstanding musical performances. The programme featured piano, violin and clarinet solos, vocal solos and duets, an alto sax duet, a group performance of Young and Beautiful by Rihanna, as well as impressive presentations by the String Ensemble, Brass and Woodwind Ensemble, and the School Choir. Both concerts were a wonderful celebration of the creativity, confidence and talents of our students.

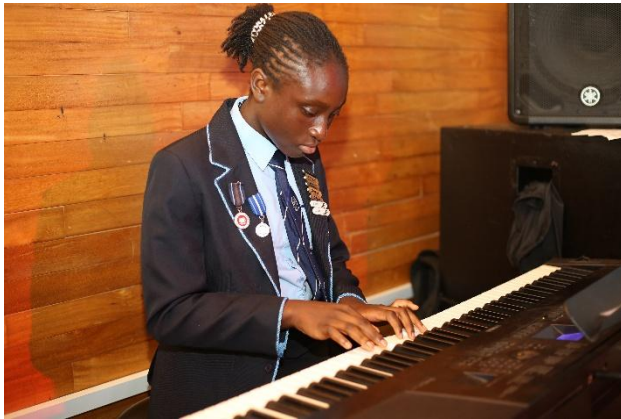
Well done to all our performers, and a big thank you to our staff and parents for making these two evenings so memorable.



PRIMARY SUMMER CONCERT



SECONDARY SUMMER CONCERT



SPORTS

Making a Splash at the Inter-House Swimming Galas

Pupils from both the Primary and Secondary Schools made a big splash at this year's Inter-House Swimming Galas. Every Primary pupil, from EYFS to Key Stage 2, took part in at least one event, giving everyone the chance to represent their house.

Benue House emerged as the Primary School champions after a series of exciting races. In the Secondary School competition, Benue House also claimed the championship, followed by Niger House, Ogun House, and Donga House. The victory marked Benue House's second consecutive Inter-House Swimming Gala title in the Secondary School.

Congratulations to Benue House on their outstanding achievement, and well done to every pupil who participated and made the events memorable.



A Day to Remember at the PTA Funathon

Where Fun Came to Life!

On Saturday, 4 July, Grange School looked completely different. Our school grounds were transformed into a lively marketplace filled with food, fashion and lifestyle vendors. Luckily, the weather stayed on our side, and the rain held off!

There was something for everyone to enjoy. Children had a fantastic time playing interactive games, skating, exploring fun activities and dancing to great music. Parents, students, staff, alumni and friends of the school came together to enjoy a day full of laughter, excitement and happy memories.

One of the biggest highlights of the day was the surprise performance by Nigerian music star Teni, who had the crowd singing and dancing with her energetic performance.

The Funathon was more than just a day of fun. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Grange community to come together and celebrate as one family.



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MONITOR'S INDUCTION

Stepping Up to Lead

On Thursday, July 9, we proudly welcomed our new Student Leaders during a special induction ceremony attended by primary parents, pupils, and staff.

The Head of Pastoral, Mr. Raphael Durodola, introduced each student leader and their role, including the Lead Monitor. Each pupil received a school blazer and leadership badge, marking the start of their leadership journey.

The ceremony ended with the Oath of Office, where the new leaders promised to serve with honesty, responsibility, respect, and integrity. It was a proud moment, celebrated with warm applause from everyone present.



Celebrating Excellence at Assembly

The assembly on Monday, 6 July was a special occasion as we celebrated the achievements of our students across a variety of activities and competitions.

Awards were presented to students who distinguished themselves in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award adventure, Shakespeare Day, the Acada Book Festival, Tedx and various sporting events. Each award recognised the students' hard work and outstanding performance.

The ceremony was a wonderful opportunity to applaud their achievements and encourage all students to continue striving for excellence both inside and outside the classroom. Congratulations to all our award recipients on their well-deserved success!



The Art Gallery Came to Grange

2026 Secondary School Art Exhibition

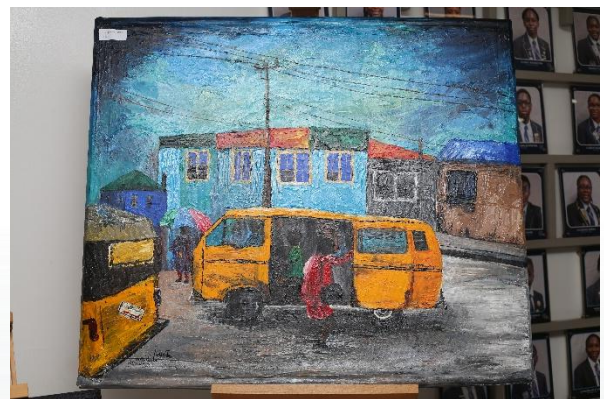
Following the success of last year's Art Exhibition, the Secondary School Art Department made it an annual event and this year's exhibition was even bigger and better!

Our talented students amazed everyone with their creativity and hard work. There were so many fantastic artworks on display, and the response from parents, staff, students, and guests was so encouraging that the exhibition was extended to two days.

Many visitors admired and purchased the students' artwork, making the event a proud moment for our young artists. Thank you to everyone who supported this year's exhibition and helped make it such a great success. We can't wait to see what our students create next year.



2026 Secondary School Art Exhibition



BAKE SALE

Kindness Never Tasted So Good!

Our Year 10 Charity Bake Sale was a huge success! Over two fun-filled days, students, parents, and staff from both the Primary and Secondary Schools came together to support the Chromosome Champions Initiative and raise funds for the Down Syndrome Foundation of Nigeria. There were plenty of delicious cakes, cookies, and sweet treats to enjoy, but the best part was seeing our school community come together for a great cause.

One parent captured the spirit of the event perfectly:

"The Grange community is the best at giving back, and we are grateful for the opportunity to make a difference in society."

A big thank you to everyone who baked, bought, donated, and supported the bake sale. Together, we proved that a little kindness and a lot of cake can make a big difference.



SECONDARY



Giving Back with Kindness

Our Year 9 students visited Ozanam House to donate food, toiletries, clothing, and other essential items to support young mothers and their babies. The students were welcomed by Sisters Mary and Pauline, who thanked them for their generosity and encouraged them to always be grateful for the opportunities they have. Tamilore Adewumi spoke on behalf of the students, while some students spent time with the babies, making the visit even more special. The visit was a meaningful experience that reminded everyone of the importance of kindness, empathy, and giving back to the community. A big thank you to our Year 9 parents for their generous support in making this service learning visit possible.



A Live Theatre Experience

Our English Department treated students to a live stage performance of *The Greatest Actor of All Time* by Temilolu Fosudo, performed by a professional Nollywood drama group at the Gazebo. The play followed the story of Shina Awosika, a talented actor chasing his dreams in the Nigerian film industry. It focused on important themes like ambition, honesty, and success in a fun and engaging way. After the performance, students took part in a lively question-and-answer session with the actors. The performers praised our students for asking thoughtful and interesting questions. It was a fantastic learning experience that made literature exciting, interactive, and memorable for everyone!



BOARDING

Boarders Dancing into the Holidays

On Wednesday, 8 July 2026, the Boarding House celebrated the end of the school year with a fun-filled party and award presentation. Pupils enjoyed an exciting evening of music, games, dancing, and performances, with DJ Spike keeping the energy high throughout the event. The Good Conduct Awards were also presented, recognising pupils for their positive behaviour and commitment during the year. With plenty of delicious food and refreshments, the evening was a memorable way to celebrate another successful year together.



Wishing Our Staff Leavers Every Success

As we come to the end of another school year, we also say goodbye to some valued members of the Grange School family. We thank Mr. Solomon Imoniakemu, Physics Teacher and Head of Teaching and Learning, for his 19 years and 10 months of dedicated service; Mrs. Yetunde Aderinto, Geography and Global Perspectives Teacher and Head of Year 11, for her 14 years and 10 months of commitment; Mr. Timothy Alabi, English Language Teacher, for his 2 years and 4 months of service; Mrs. Bukola Adeoti, Teaching Assistant, for her 4 years and 1 month of support; and Mrs. Ekaette Embiet for her 3 years and 6 months of dedication to our school community.

We are grateful for the commitment each of them has shown throughout their time at Grange School.

As they begin new chapters, we wish them every happiness, success and fulfilment.



Mr. Solomon Imoniakemu



Mrs. Yetunde Aderinto



Mr. Timothy Alabi



Mrs. Bukola Adeoti



Mrs. Ekaette Embiet

Splash of Duffs: A Fantastic End to the School Year!

To celebrate the end of the 2025/2026 academic session, Grange School planned a fun-filled poolside staff party, Splash of Duffs, on Friday, 10 July 2026. Although the rain had other plans, it certainly didn't dampen our spirits! The celebration simply moved from the poolside to the Gazebo, where the laughter, games and great conversations continued.

There was plenty to eat and drink, exciting games, karaoke, dance competitions and lots of fun. Dressed in plain white T-shirts, denim bottoms, silly hats and funky glasses, staff brought colour, laughter and

amazing energy to the afternoon. It was wonderful to see everyone relaxing, smiling and enjoying each other's company after a busy school year.

The celebration also gave us the opportunity to say goodbye to colleagues who are moving on to exciting new opportunities. While they will be greatly missed, we thank them for their contributions to Grange School and wish them every success and happiness in the next chapter of their journey.

Rain or shine, it was a memorable afternoon filled with fun and plenty of happy memories.



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