

# END OF TERM NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2021

Dear parents, We thank the Almighty God for his grace and protection over us throughout the term. We also want to appreciate the cooperation of our parents/guardians; we pray that God continue to bless you all.

**A**s we end 2nd term in the 2021 academic session, we would like to take this opportunity to express our pride and admiration in how brilliantly everyone in our school community is working together in the face of the immense changes to our lives that the Covid-19 pandemic has caused. We thank God that he has kept everyone of us safe under his umbrella.

Despite how short this term is, we have been able to record remarkable improvements in our children and adults. They have made progress in the areas of speech, cognitive, behaviour, academics, social and vocational

## PARENTS FORUM



Due to the adherence to Covid-19 guideline of no social gatherings our parent's forum was held on Saturday 13th of February 2021, and for the first time the meeting took place online via zoom and the discussion was focused on parent's involvement in their children's learning and diet. Through this medium our parents had opportunity to express their concerns and appreciations.

## VALENTINES CELEBRATION



This year Valentine's Day was celebrated on Monday 15th of February, 2021 at the Centre in low key, where few of our children and adults gathered to have fun and exchange gifts with one another.

## TRAINING



Patrick Speech training Academy in collaboration with International Board of Credentialing and

Continuing Education Standards also had her 4TH Graduation ceremony on the 13th of January 2021 where 14 students were issued certificate of special needs therapists.

## SPORTS TALENT HUNTS



Sport initiative for differently able (SIDA) is an NGO that organizes sport trainings for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to help discover their hidden talents in the area of sports such as badminton, table tennis, swimming, cycling, basketball, and other field and track sport activities. SIDA had her first post Covid-19 sport training on the 6th of March at the Teslim Balogun National Stadium at Surulere. Few of our adults were in attendance and they

had the opportunity to be tried on few in-door games such as Badminton and table tennis and one of our adults really showed interest in the badminton game. Outing such as these is encouraged to ascertain the innate interest of our children. We must not discount this.

### PROGRESS MEETINGS



We would like encourage our parents to always make time to attend their children's progress meetings. This is important because it will enable parents and therapists to be on the same page and to rub minds together on the way forward for our children and adults and also to get desired results.

### SCHOOL FEES



Please be informed that school fees **MUST BE PAID IN FULL** before resumption, so as to meet our obligations. Tellers of all fees should be presented to the school on the day of resumption for accounting records. Cash and cheques are not acceptable at the Centre. Our account details are as follows:

**Bank name:** Guaranty Trust Bank

**Account number:** 0005128724

**Account name:** Pure Souls Learning Foundation.

### LATE PICKING/ DROP OFF





We would like to use this medium to appreciate our parents who always drop and pick their wards early from school. Also, we would like to make a reminder that therapy sessions starts at 9:00am and school closes at 2:00pm. A fee of N5000 will be attached to late picking after the fourth warning letter from the school management. Our virtual session still remains between 8:30- 9:10am and afternoon session 1:00pm- 3:40pm. In case of any change concerning in the time schedule, we would communicate with the parents.

## DIETS



We encourage our parents to be conscious of the children's diet, as this can have a negative or positive

impact on their behaviour and learning. Sugary snacks, drinks or foods should not be given to our children, as this will be trashed at the Centre if found in any of their bags.

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Just Remember...

The road less traveled is never the easiest, but it's the road worth taking.

The adversity you experience in your walk as a parent with a special need child can never be compared to the accomplishments that you will experience after.

There will be times when you as a parent feel like you will never see the bigger picture or the light at the end of the tunnel. However, I encourage you to never 'Give up faith'

Continue to advocate and believe in your child. The child needs to

know that someone believes in him/her.

Never give up on something that you believe in, even if no one else believes it. You are the parent and the one that knows what is best for your child, and knows what your child can achieve.

Remember, progress is progress, no matter how little. Continue to be your child's biggest and best fan (advocate)!

At the end of the day, when you are reflecting on the positives and negatives, remember that it will all be alright, and "it will all come out in the wash."

## Be courageous!!!

We wish you all a happy Easter break and we look forward to seeing you our children in health and sound mind next term. Thank you and God bless.