



May 2011

## Dear Parents

We trust that had a good Easter Break and that your children are ready to face the new term with enthusiasm.

### PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will take place at The Childville School, Ogudu on Saturday 21 May 2011 at 10h00 sharp. Please come and join us so as to be part of what the school is doing and where it is going.

### Curriculum Development

In an effort to constantly improve what we offer the pupils and parents of The Childville School we have decided to adjust our timetable to allow more time for academic preparation on a daily basis.

This will include the following:

- 1) Speedwork in the morning from when the pupils arrive at school (please ensure that your child is at school at 07h45 for their speedwork)
- 2) Entrance exam preparation for Primary 4,5 and 6 every day after speedwork (excluding Cycle Test Days) to ready our pupils for all entrance exams when they reach Primary 6.  
**\*\*Starting next term\*\***
- 3) An extended day and extra lessons for 45 minutes at the end of each day to train the pupils further in Mathematics, English and Reasoning (except for Mondays, where the extra lesson will be 30 minutes due to swimming taking place during school time)

This will therefore extend our day until **2:30pm** after which Extra Curricular Activities will take place until **3:30pm**.

Below is the timetable that we are following for the extra lessons on a daily basis:

### PRIMARY YEARS

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Extra Lesson Time	2 to 2:30pm	1:45 to 2:30pm	1:45 to 2:30pm	1:45 to 2:30pm	1:45 to 2:30pm
Subject	Maths	Maths	English	Verbal and Non Verbal Reasoning	Quantitative Reasoning

For **Nursery 1 and 2** we have also introduced extra training in their core skills which will therefore extend their day until **1:00pm** after which Extra Curricular Activities will take place until **2:00pm**.

Below is the timetable that we are following for the extra lessons on a daily basis:

### NURSERY 1 AND 2

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Extra Lesson Time	12:30 to 1:00pm	12:30 to 1:00pm	12:30 to 1:00pm	12:30 to 1:00pm	12:30 to 1:00pm
Subject	Reading	Numeracy	Writing	Reading	Assistance for struggling pupils

We trust that your children will benefit from this programme as we seek excellence in all we do at The Childville School.

#### **School Website**

You can log on to our school website at [www.thechildville.com](http://www.thechildville.com) where you will find all our events, extra curricular timetables and costs, newsletters and more. Log on regularly to ensure that you always have the correct information concerning our wonderful school. Please note that to download the PTA minutes you will need a password that can be collected from the front office.

#### **School Fees**

Please take special note that The Childville School has adopted a new policy concerning the payment of school fees. Due to the large numbers of defaulters **all school fees will now be due by the first Friday of every term, which for this term was *Friday 6 May 2011*. Failure to comply will result in the child being excluded from school until all fees have been settled.** This is to ensure that we can run the school at its optimum potential, which is difficult to do when fees are outstanding and promises to settle are not kept. Should you have a problem settling fees, you will need to sign an agreement with the Accounts Office with a clear deadline when you will settle the balance. Any outstanding fees after half-term will result in the exclusion of the child from the class without exception!

#### **Bus Run**

For those parents who wish to avoid the strain of having to bring their children to school and fetch them in the afternoons, please make use of our bus run for your convenience. The cost is ₦30 000 for a full journey **per term** but those wishing to make use of the bus for a one way trip may do so at a cost of ₦15 000 **per term**. Please see Mr Durotinu in the accounts office to register your child.

#### **Donation of Library Books**

A reminder to all parents to donate a book to our library when your child celebrates their birthday with us.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank parents that have donated books this term. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

#### **Pick Up Times for Pupils**

Please ensure that your children are picked up from school on time on a regular basis. This is at 2:30pm every day except on days when they might be involved in an extra curricular activity in which case they must be collected at 3:30pm. **We have started charging parents who collect their children late at a rate of ₦1 000 per day as of this term. The total amount will be added to the bill for the following term. All pupils must be collected by 3:45pm at the latest to avoid being charged for late collections.**

#### **French Week**

Our "Mind Your Language" Francophone week will not be taking place this term. This is due to the fact that our term is so short and we need to fit in as much academic time in as possible.

### **Donations to the Motherless Babies' Homes**

Please can we ask that you donate generously to our collections for the Motherless Babies' Homes? A list has been sent home with your child as to what you can donate or you can drop cash donations off in the foyer of the school. Thank you for your ongoing support of such worthy causes.

### **Friday Assembly**

Our pupils will be taking all Friday assemblies. Please come and watch them in action. The assembly is at 08h00 every Friday morning.

### **Updating Details**

Please make sure that you make our front office aware of any changes to your contact details to ensure that you receive all information concerning the school on a regular basis.

### **"Things Fall Apart"**

**This year we will be staging our Primary 6 play of Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe on the stage at the Muson Centre on Wednesday 29 June 2011. Please set this date aside as we will be inviting all of you to come and be part of this wonderful production to be put on by our talented pupils.**

Yours sincerely

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Head of Schools