



23-02-24

Upcoming Events:

- 26-02-2024 - Yr 11 and 13 after school intervention
- 27-02-2024 – Yr 9 Option Evening – 6pm to 7pm
- 29-02-2024 – Artist collaboration with MFL, English and Art

Head of Secondary Message

The British School of Lomé **Secondary Newsletter**



Dear Students, Parents/Guardians and Staff,

In the coming weeks, our students will sit exams and draft reports. That means that this will be a period of great focus and reflection. To ensure that this time is effectively spent, it takes the whole school community to provide their support and encouragement. To achieve exam success, our students need to have clear objectives and apportion their time well to each of their subjects. Students will have to review their notes and classroom material and use their digital tools/ textbooks to supplement their studies. Students should reach out to their teachers and, where necessary, seek further assistance and intervention. Do not wait until the last minute to approach your teachers. Be proactive; take charge of your learning!

Around the school building we should commit to excellence and this is reflected in the way that we speak to each other and handle our challenges. Too many of us speak harshly to one another and expect others to view jokes in the same way as we do. Let us aim to be courteous and respectful in all of our interactions. This also extends to the way in which we treat the school premises. Too often, our students throw their waste on the playground floor or in the green areas. To make matters worse, we often find food discarded left in containers, which means that many of our students are being inconsiderate and wasteful.

At BSL, our motto is 'Endeavour Is All'. This implies that in all spheres of life we ought to be hard working. This ethos needs to drive us and it should be the factor that leads to success. Let us use this mantra to motivate us and to keep us from being distracted.

All the best,

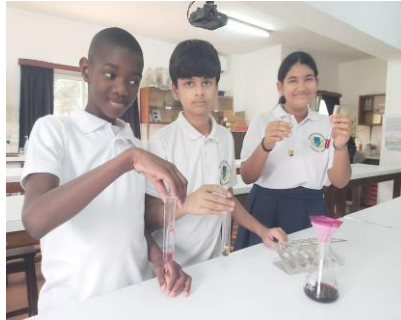
Mr Anthony Jackson

Science Department

Year 7 & Year 10

Year 7 completed a fun practical making their own indicator with beetroot and ethanol which went pink in acid, yellow in alkali and stayed dark red in neutral solutions. They used a pestle and mortar to crush the beetroot.

Year 10 Biologists have been working on the topic of food and digestion. They have been carrying out food tests for starch and protein as well as modelling the small intestine using visking tubing practical.



Year 7



Year 10

MFL Department (French)

Primary Assembly

Aujourd'hui 23 février 2024, notre prestigieuse institution BSL représentée par Monsieur le Directeur de BSL, Mr Naqvi, Mr le Directeur du primaire, Mr Jones , les collègues professeurs, et finalement, nos très chers élèves, avons reçu la visite de Mr Mohammed Dib, Directeur de l'Ecole primaire Charles de Gaulle et de Mme Josette Hazoume, une ancienne collègue du Department des Langues Modernes et Etrangères (MFL).

L'assemblée avait pour thème: **la journée des Langues Maternelles et Étrangères** et son objectif était de mettre en exergue l'importance de parler plusieurs langues par le biais des performances des élèves . Quelle belle surprise de constater leur fierté de devenir polyglotte!

Le programme l'assemblée a fait montre de deux parties essentielles:

- * La performance des élèves
- * Et la remise des certificats aux élèves méritants.

A l'issue de l'assemblée , Mr Mohammed Dib a eu l' opportunité de discuter de la collaboration entre BSL et son école et pour finir une visite rapide de l'école a été organisée par Mr Gareth Jones, Mme Eliane Amegnizin et Mr Guy Missodey.



Climbing to Great Heights



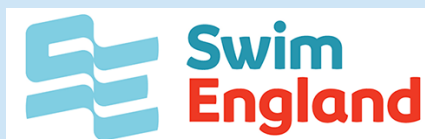
On Wednesday 21st February, we had a visit from one of our Year 2 parent's, the father of Mathys Militello. He is an expert climber and he very kindly offered to rejuvenate our climbing wall. He has given us some climbing ropes and carabiners and he will train Mr Ado so that we can once again have a climbing and abseiling activity at BSL.



Our Swimming lessons continue with enthusiastic students enjoying the hard work and fun in there. Here we see the Year 8 Class during one of their more relaxing moments of a lesson organised by the Physical Education Department.



Sensational swimmers!



Merit Awards

Two more of our KS3 students received their Bronze and Silver awards this week, for continued effort and commitment to their studies. These were handed out during assembly to allow the students to celebrate their success.



**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT: NEW
MOBILE PHONE POLICY AT
THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF
LOME**

As part of our ongoing commitment to creating a conducive learning environment at The British School of Lome, we have made an important decision regarding the use of mobile phones within the school premises. This decision also aligns with the recent guidance from the UK government to "minimise disruption and improve behaviour in classrooms".

After extensive discussions with both parents and staff, we have decided to implement a complete ban on mobile phones during school hours. Recognizing the importance of communication, especially in emergencies, we have established the following guidelines:

- 1. Emergency Calls:** If a student needs to make an emergency call, they may do so using the reception phone after seeking permission from their teacher.
- 2. Educational Purposes:** Occasionally, teachers may request students to bring their phones for educational purposes, with clear instructions provided in advance.
- 3. Morning Submission:** Students wishing to bring their phones for emergencies must submit them at the reception desk at the start of the day. They will receive a token to collect their phone after school.
- 4. Responsibility and Safety:** While we will keep phones in a secure location, please note that the school will not be held responsible for any loss or damage. We strongly advise keeping phones at home to avoid inconvenience.
- 5. Strict Enforcement:** Any student found with a phone during school hours will have it confiscated and securely stored until the end of the term.

We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring a distraction-free and focused learning environment for all our students. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us.

Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical Video



Exciting News!

Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical

The British School of Lome is happy to announce that the video of our Primary production *Matilda The Musical* is finally available for purchase.

Available purchase options:

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| 20,000 CFA | School provides 64gb USB memory stick + video |
| 5,000 CFA | Parents provide a 64gb USB memory stick |
| 18,000 CFA | For cast members <i>without</i> their USB memory stick |
| 3,000 CFA | For cast members <i>with</i> their USB stick |



Please confirm by Wed 21st February if interested by calling the BSL Front Office on 22 26 46 06, or by sending an email to: contact@bsl.tg.

BSL Miafe adzwo (Our businesses - Yellow Page)



We have exciting news to share with you!

As part of our commitment to community service, we are delighted to offer an advertising opportunity for your business in our weekly newsletter, which is widely read by hundreds of parents, family members, students, staff members and friends.

If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, please send a soft copy of your flyer to admin@bsl.tg by Wednesday each week.

In the subject line, kindly type **BSL Miafe adzwo (or Our Business)** and clearly mention your name along with the name of your child at BSL.

Please be aware that this opportunity operates on a first-come, first-served basis. It is also subject to approval, and we reserve the right to refuse this service to anyone.

We look forward to showcasing your business in our newsletter!

BSL Miafe adzwo (Our businesses - Yellow Page)



Nous avons des passionnantes nouvelles à partager avec vous !

Dans le cadre de notre engagement au service communautaire, nous sommes ravis d'offrir une opportunité publicitaire pour votre entreprise dans notre newsletter hebdomadaire, largement lue par des centaines de parents, membres de la famille, élèves, membres du personnel et amis.

Si vous souhaitez profiter de cette opportunité, veuillez envoyer une copie électronique de votre prospectus publicitaire à admin@bsl.tg avant le mercredi de chaque semaine.

Dans la zone 'objet' de votre email, veuillez taper **BSL Miafe adzwo (ou Our Business)** et mentionner clairement votre nom ainsi que le nom de votre enfant à BSL.

Veuillez noter que cette opportunité fonctionne selon le principe du premier arrivé, premier servi. Il est également soumis à approbation, et nous nous réservons le droit de refuser ce service à une quelconque personne.

Nous sommes impatients de présenter votre entreprise dans notre newsletter !