



Safeguarding Newsletter



CHRISLAND BAGS BEACON OF SAFETY AWARD

In a remarkable achievement, our schools in Lagos bagged the prestigious Beacon of Safety Awards at the inaugural Beacon of Safety (BOS) Awards, held on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. The awards, organised by Safe School Lagos (SSLAG), an initiative of the Lagos State Safety Commission, recognised schools and individuals for their outstanding commitment to enhancing safety measures and reducing risks within the educational environment. Additionally, our Managing Director, Mrs. Ibronke Adeyemi, received the prestigious BOS Visionary Award for her unwavering dedication to safety.

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From the Desk of the Head of Capacity Development and Safeguarding

I am delighted to introduce the very first issue of the Chrisland Schools Child Protection and Safeguarding Newsletter. This publication stems from our unwavering commitment to keeping you informed about the measures we are implementing to ensure the safety and well-being of our students. We emphasize the collective efforts and collaborations involved in these initiatives, as the African proverb wisely states, "It takes a village to raise a child."

This inaugural edition holds special significance as it coincides with the Beacon of Safety Awards. I want to take this moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to every member of the Chrisland family for their contributions to our recognition as a beacon of safety.

In the recent term, we organized our Safeguarding Week across all our units. This recurring event serves as an opportunity for our community to unite in the best interest of our children.

The theme for this term's event was "A Culture of Duty of Care," serving as a poignant reminder of the responsibilities we owe one another as members of this community. I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to our parents for their invaluable support, which contributed to the success of this event across all our units.

Our duty of care to children is a solemn promise to be their advocates, protectors, and champions. It's important to remember that children are the most vulnerable members of our society, and our duty of care towards them reflects our shared humanity. The concept of duty of care at Chrisland Schools is ingrained in our vision statement, "to nurture the children to become all they can be through quality all-round education," and it aligns seamlessly with our core value of Love. Love, in this context, signifies caring,



nurturing, and grooming, which underscores our organization's firm commitment to the duty of care in a practical and proactive manner among all stakeholders.

As you delve into this edition, my hope is that you will be inspired, encouraged, and, most importantly, motivated to take proactive steps in fulfilling your duty of care. This obligation is not only a commitment to our cherished community but also a reflection of your own humanity.

Until the next edition,

Mrs. Kemi Fajemirokun

School leaders, parents and learners have their say on our culture of duty of care...

Chrisland School Lekki is 100% committed to Child Protection and Safeguarding.

We train and retrain ourselves regularly, take full responsibility for all our learners, and are very proactive in ticking all the boxes on our programmes's risk assessment checklist.

Folashade Oseni (Mrs)

Senior Headteacher,
Chrisland School Lekki

Being a parent gives me an additional responsibility to ensure that my children, and indeed all children, have a safe and protected environment. As a safeguarding and child protection steward of CHSVGC, I commit to doing everything I can to ensure that all the children return home safe and sound every day, every time. I will ensure that all cases of abuse, whether at or outside the school, are properly evaluated and investigated, the children are adequately educated, and sanctions meted out to erring persons, teachers, staff, and even other students.

Ngozi Efuribe (Mr)

Parent, Chrisland High School VGC

Chrisland Schools is a safe Haven of learning - nurturing the dreams and aspiration of it's students.

Chrisland understands that the duty of care in safeguarding cuts across all aspects of a students life -and staff as well- and strives to be there for both it's students and staff.

The students at chrisland can blossom academically and emotionally through the duty of care, knowing that chrisland is a bully free zone and thier wellbeing is being cherished.

Stephanie Reng

The Safeguarding Prefect

Our culture of duty of care is evidenced by continuous staff training, rigorous background checks, robust reporting mechanisms, and a culture that empowers students to voice their concerns in a safe, confidential manner.

Mr Philip Emordi

Principal, Chrisland High School VGC

At Chrisland School Ladipo Oluwole, Ikeja, we consider it a moral and ethical responsibility as leaders to safeguard all stakeholders physical, emotional, and psychological well-being.

With our Emergency Management Plan, Risk Assessment protocols, Safety Drills, Policy Statements, and Execution Plans, we are constantly working to ensure the school is safe for everyone at all times and every point. Our safety practices, which earned us the Beacon of Safety award from the Lagos State Government, are a testament to the assurance that Chrisland School Ladipo Oluwole is a safe school.

Mrs Banke Ohunenese

Ag. Headteacher, Chrisland School Ladipo Oluwole

I have a duty of care to all learners under my care, and I am fully committed to ensuring their safety and well-being; to achieve this, I work closely with staff, parents, and the wider community to create a safe, secure and nurturing environment where all learners can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Mrs Olabimpe Akenroye

Ag. Headteacher, Chrisland School Opebi

The Duty of Care: A Poem Fabiya Fikayo Year 9, Chrisland High School Abuja

In the realm of duty, we must be aware, of the weight we bear, the love we share.

A Solemn promise to protect and guide

In the realm of care, we will always abide.

*With hearts as guardians, we stand strong,
Shielding the weak from all that is wrong.*

In every action, in every word we say,

Duty of care, our guiding light, will stay

*With empathy and kindness, we will be present,
To heal wounds, to show we truly care.*

*In the tapestry of life, our hearts we bind,
Duty of care, a noble purpose, we find.*

So, let us hold this duty close and near,

With compassion and love, banish fear.

*In the tapestry of humanity, we are a part
Duty of care, a masterpiece of the heart*

Sights from the 1st Term 2023/2024 Academics Session's safeguarding week

