



# Weekly Update

19th March 2026

Dear Parents,

On Tuesday 31st March, our [Parent Association will hold their Ordinary General Assembly](#), during which our next Parent Association Management Committee (PAMC) will be elected.

We cannot be so successful at BSL without you, our parent community! You are the ones who have nurtured and raised your children at home, the ones who know your children the very best. At school, as we seek to build very positive relationships with all of our students, our partnership with you is crucial.

I have recently met with the outgoing PAMC Committee to thank them for their work, and to discuss ways of benefiting from the expertise and dedication of our parent community even more at BSL in future. It is always a great joy for our students when their own parents engage with our education programme, and they also greatly benefit from special events involving other students' parents. This year, we have had some wonderful collaborations with parents, ranging from Nursery Stay and Play and Primary Book Week collaborations, to parents acting as career mentors and advisers for our graduating students - and so much more, including high attendance at our many special events. We are planning next year's calendar very carefully, to ensure there is a balanced and meaningful schedule of educational events across the year, when parents can join us at school if they wish and if their busy schedules permit.

We very much hope that you will all find the time to attend the Parent Association meeting at the end of the month. For some of you, this may be to stand for election to our next PAMC. However, there are so many other ways in which you could support our students, whether it is through attending one or more of our special events, acting as a representative for parent feedback or as a parent ambassador within the community, or perhaps connecting in some way with students whose career pathways match your own.

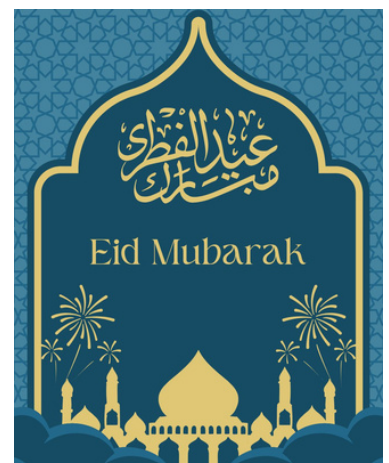
Our community is so diverse, and yet so connected. We thank you again for everything you do as a parent community to help our students to achieve their dreams.

May I take this opportunity once again to wish you 'Eid Mubarak'. We look forward to seeing everyone when school resumes again on Monday.

With best wishes,

**Tom Vignoles**  
**Head of School**  
**The British School of Lomé**

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# Whole School

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## Supporting our Students

There are many ways in which we support our students at BSL. Alongside our regular class teachers and tutors, we also have our Pastoral Support Team, our Learning Support Team, our Designated Safeguarding Leads and our University Counsellor.

There is always help available for students who may need it for whatever reason. We have recently been developing a 'restorative justice' system especially within the secondary section, where our main response to a problem is always to seek to put things right. Students are sometimes afraid to speak out because they think it may lead to punishment. There are always consequences to what we do - however, our aim as a school is always to ensure that consequences are constructive and help provide a solution, rather than making things worse.

To encourage our students to share any concerns with us, we have recently distributed these posters - [Who Will Listen to Me](#) - around the school. If your child ever shares any concern with you at home, please encourage them to share it with us at school as well, so that we can help them to put things right.

## School Telephone - Maintenance Issue



We apologise for the fact that our regular school telephone line is currently out of order. We are waiting for Yas to resolve the problem but unfortunately it is taking them some time. In the meantime, if you wish to telephone the school, please use one of our back up internet numbers, which are working well:

**+228 22612099**

**+228 22601964**

We are sorry for the inconvenience and we trust that Yas will be able to solve this issue in the near future.

## Summer Schools at BSL

We are delighted to confirm that registration for our [BSL Summer Schools](#) is now open. This year, there will be truly something for everyone, with our usual English Language Institute (ELI) Summer School and Primary section Explorers Summer Schools running as usual. For the first time, we also welcome an external company to run innovative AI-focused Summer Schools, which we hope may be of interest for our older students.

Leaflets were sent home to students in the Primary Section within the last two weeks, which include a link to our [Summer Schools Website \(bsl.tg/summer-school\)](#) where you will find lots of further information. Secondary students and parents can pick up leaflets from Reception or the ELI. Please sign up soon, to avoid disappointment!

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# Whole School

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## Secondary Drama Production: Hairspray – Friday 27th March

We will be delighted to welcome you to join the audience for Hairspray, our Secondary Drama Production. The performance for parents and guests will take place at 6pm on Friday 27th March. For ticket prices and more information, see our [Hairspray Poster](#). It is always such a great pleasure for the school, and for our students, when parents are able to join us for special events. We look forward to seeing you soon!

## DRAFT CALENDAR – 2026–2027

A reminder of the [Draft BSL Calendar for 2026–2027](#). At this stage, public holidays for the next academic year have not yet been officially confirmed, therefore it is still possible that changes to our calendar may occur at a later date.

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## Whole School Looking ahead

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**Friday 27th March** – Hairspray (Secondary Drama Production)

**Friday 3rd April** – End of Term (half day)



THE BRITISH SCHOOL OF LOMÉ  
*presents*  
**hairspray**

Students and Staff - Thursday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm  
Parents and Invited Guests - Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

VENUE THE AMPHITHEATRE,  
THE BRITISH SCHOOL  
OF LOMÉ

TICKETS  
500 CFA for students  
1000 CFA for adults



**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

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Our regular telephone line is unfortunately currently out of order and under maintenance with our telephone provider. However, the above numbers are working well.

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# Primary School

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## Dear Parents and Guardians,

The students and teachers at the British School of Lomé faced a great challenge in the World Rocks competition, a global times-tables challenge hosted by Times Tables Rock Stars.

We were the very first school in Togo to take part, proudly putting our country on the global maths map, competing against 61,011 students from 643 schools and 5,614 classes worldwide. Our learners answered thousands of questions with speed and accuracy, proving their maths skills are world-class.

On average, our top class answered 405 questions per student, while our star performer answered 2,776 correctly. Schools with larger student numbers naturally had many entries, but our learners showed that determination and focus can shine just as brightly.

With this achievement, the British School of Lomé has proven that our students are not only confident mathematicians but also pioneers, leading the way for Togo in international competitions. Times Tables Rock Stars is still open to individual students and classes as a learning platform to support mathematics.

Kind regards,

**Gareth Jones**  
Head of Primary

**Judith Opiyo**  
Assistant Head of Primary



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# Secondary School

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**Dear Parents and Guardians,**

As we approach the end of the fasting period, we extend our warmest wishes to all our Muslim students celebrating tomorrow, 20th March. May this be a joyful and peaceful time spent with family and loved ones.

We have had a successful Community Art Fair, which began on Monday, 16th March, showcasing students' artworks from all year groups.

Our students are currently immersed in rehearsals for the upcoming drama production of *Hairspray*, scheduled for 27th March. We are excited and look forward to what promises to be a vibrant and entertaining performance.

Recently, our in-class assessments were completed smoothly, and the school is now finalising and submitting grades on ManageBac.

Looking ahead, our Year 11 IGCSE candidates will undertake their final oral examinations from Monday, 23rd March, to Thursday, 26th March. We wish them every success as they complete this important component of their exams.

We thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We remain committed to guiding our students to achieve their very best in all aspects of school life.

Warm regards,

**Francis E. Anquandah**  
**Assistant Head (Academic)**

**Jane Snell**  
**IBDP and Learning Development**

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# Secondary School

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## Scholarships Opening Doors

The Class of 2026 has already been offered US\$342,000 (≈194 million CFA) in university scholarships – a powerful recognition of their hard work, ambition and potential.

These awards are helping open doors to universities around the world, making global education more accessible for our students and their families.



Admissions timelines vary by country, and some application portals are only just opening. As more applications are submitted, we hope to see this total continue to grow. A fantastic achievement so far – and the journey is far from over.

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## Key Dates

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The latest version of our Key Dates for Parents is [HERE](#). Other Key Dates for this academic year will be shared at a later date, once they are finalised.