



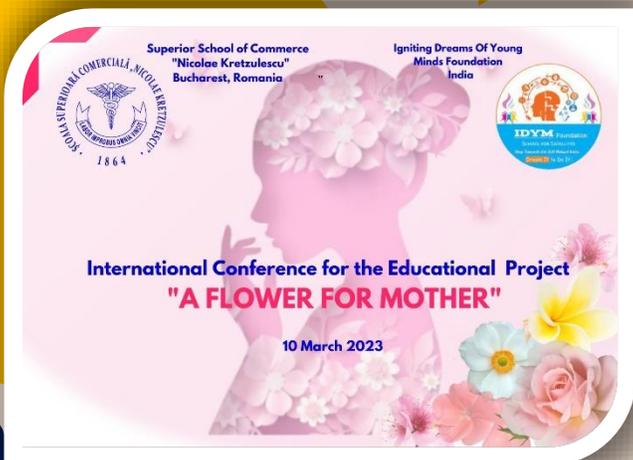
# DOWEN COLLEGE LAGOS NEWSLETTER

10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

## EASTER SECOND HALF TERM 2023

We welcome you warmly to the second half of the Easter Term 2022–2023 session. This edition of the newsletter is dedicated to celebrating women on the occasion of International Women’s Day on March 8. This year’s theme is **DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality**. Here at Downen, we celebrate all our amazing mothers and teachers. We are also encouraging the school community, especially our girls, to embrace innovation and technology now, as it is the bedrock of development in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



## A Flower for Mothers

To drive home the point of appreciating our dear mothers, our students participated in an international project titled "A Flower for Mother," initiated by a Romanian school this week, where they were required to submit entries in creative ways in art, creative writing, cards, and digital creations to promote feelings of love and respect for mothers and also serve as inspiration to all women. A few of the entries are reproduced in this newsletter for your enjoyment.

Who was there to feed me, who was there to bathe me when i was younger other than my mom. My mom has always been looking out for me and taking care of me but as time goes by, there should be limits right?



Tobiloba Pinheiro

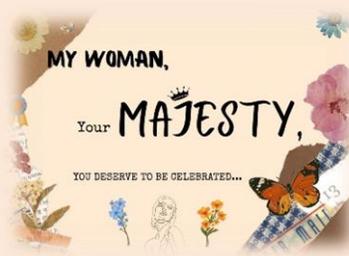
As i grow older, i get more distant from her, keeping things to myself, making it harder to let it out. I wish i stayed as close to my mom as i did before. I began to give up on everything, thinking i would never make it to where I want to be. As I was about to end my life, someone ran towards me and it was her, the woman who opened the bottle, allowing everything to flow away. My mom is my one and only best friend and she should be yours to

### MUM

How do you say thank-you  
To the one who bore  
And gave you the gift of life  
How do you say thank-you  
To the angel who has constantly  
Guided you through life  
How do you say thank-you  
To the one who has helped you  
In all your moments of strife  
How do you say thank-you to the one who  
Has loved you throughout your life  
You can say thank-you with flowers  
Or gifts from expensive stores  
You can buy her cards or chocolates  
From the shop next door  
The best way to her is to show her love  
The greatest gift of all,



Khadija Abawa



Digital Art from Olubitan Korede



Allagoa Tikoni Korede

I wish you sunshine on your cloudy days  
 a burst of yellow to pierce the gray  
 wish you springs flower on winter days  
 a burst of colour in the midst of pale  
 i wish you rain when your field are dry  
 a blossoming of life where flowers die  
 I wish you joy every single day  
 And smiles to wash your pain away  
 I wish you wings so that you can fly  
 With the angels in heavens skies  
 I wish you the fulfillment  
 Of dreams unfulfilled  
 And the contentment  
 That fulfillment brings  
 My dearest mother you see  
 I wish you all  
 That you have wished for me  
 On this and every single day  
 I wish you flowers  
 To brighten up your days



**Gift Benjamin**

A mother's love is something  
 that no one can explain,  
 It's made of deep devotion  
 and of sacrifice and pain  
 It's endless and unselfish  
 enduring, come what may  
 For nothing can destroy it or  
 take that love away.  
 It's patient and forgiving when  
 all others are forsaking  
 And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking  
 It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns  
 And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest brightest gems  
 It is far beyond defining it defies all explanation  
 And still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation  
 with all this amazing qualities i don't think i need to bother  
 explaining exactly why i got flowers for my mother



**Kosisochukwu  
Nwobodo**

## Safety Day 2:

Our second safety day of the term took place on March 10, 2023. The emphasis was on tips for student safety—personal responsibility and ensuring safety in the areas of physical, emotional, Social safety. The programme was anchored by the health and safety prefect, Chibuikem Ekwueme, SS3, and also Nifemi Adebara, SS2, both members of the School Safety Club.

## Press Club:

The executive members of the school's press club were given their badges today during assembly. We congratulate all executives and members and wish them the very best as they hone their skills in this area of collating and reporting news items.

## Saturday Classes:

JS3 and SS3 students will have Saturday classes on March 11, 2023, between 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.



**We will appreciate prompt drop-off and pick-up.**

Thank you  
 Dr. Adebisi Layiwola  
 Principal