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Traditional Values. British Academic Excellence.

The first British Independent School in Nigeria



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Mission

Charterhouse Lagos delivers a transformative, holistic education that fosters academic excellence, character development, and global citizenship.

We empower students with skills, values, and opportunities, preparing them to thrive in a diverse and dynamic world while upholding ethical standards and making a positive societal impact.



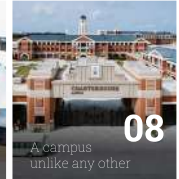
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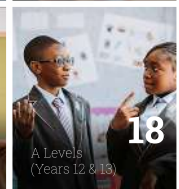
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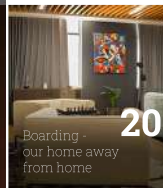
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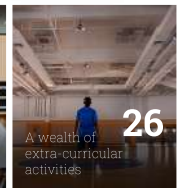
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Welcome to our school

John Todd
Director of Education

The establishment of Charterhouse Lagos is a milestone in education in Nigeria. As the first British Independent School in Nigeria, we are creating a place where students can truly thrive — where learning goes beyond the classroom and inspires personal growth.

We invite you to join us on this exciting journey. We welcome your children to a world of unprecedented learning opportunities, supported by an exceptional purpose-built campus and a first-class programme of education designed to meet the aspirations of every student.

As you walk onto our campus, you will understand that excellence is a part of our DNA. We hope that you will be amazed and delighted when you visit our school.

“We are proud to be the first Charterhouse school on the African continent.”

Charterhouse has over 400 years of history as one of the founding pillars of the British independent school system, stretching back over four centuries.

This legacy continues to inspire us, and we are dedicated to blending these timeless traditions with innovative learning experiences that will empower students to excel in our rapidly changing world.

Following a British Curriculum, our primary school blends British academic rigour with Nigerian cultural traditions.

In the Secondary School, students have Day and Boarding options. Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 enjoy a broad curriculum designed to foster curiosity, independence, and resilience.

As they progress into Years 10 and 11, they will embark on the 2-year IGCSE programme — a carefully structured course that balances academic rigour with creative exploration.

Our Sixth Form students in Years 12 and 13 will excel at world-class A level courses supported by dedicated mentoring, leadership opportunities, and tailored university preparation designed to help them succeed at top institutions worldwide.

An investment in your child's education is one of the greatest gifts you can give them.

At Charterhouse Lagos, we believe that a good education can change lives.

More than that, we believe that happy, well-rounded, high-achieving students with great aspirations can change the world for the better.

My focus is on establishing a school where that change can happen. A school unlike any that has gone before it in Lagos, Nigeria, or West Africa.

A place defined by world-class facilities, passionate teachers, and highly motivated learners, where young people find reward in problem-solving and perseverance.

Where leaders are shaped, and futures are filled with promise.

We look forward to welcoming your family to Charterhouse Lagos. Together, we will shape a learning journey that nurtures your child's talents, ambitions, and sense of purpose.

Get in touch with us today and learn more about how your child can be part of this exciting story.



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Why choose Charterhouse Lagos

A 21st century learning
experience

A global standard in education

Charterhouse Lagos offers a unique blend of academic excellence, innovation, and character development. Our school is designed to prepare students for success at the world's leading universities and to thrive as confident, compassionate global citizens.



Why families choose us:

Seamless British Independent School education from age 5 to 18 giving access to the world's leading universities

400 years of British education heritage rooted in Nigerian cultural traditions

A leadership team with unparalleled international experience in leading schools around the world

A campus like no other that sets a new standard for excellence in Nigeria

Internationally experienced expatriate and local teaching staff delivering evidence based learning



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Values:

Excellence, Respect, Integrity,
Courtesy, Service, Wellbeing

Learning Principles:

Relationships are a vital ingredient in the social process of learning:

Learning needs to be purposeful and directed.

Learning needs to be adapted to each individual to support their needs.
Learning is contextual.

Two key Outcomes:

The long-term retention of valuable knowledge, concepts, and skills.

The ability to transfer what has been retained into different contexts and situations.

Learning Drivers:



Sustainability



Technology



Morality



Future
Employability



Wellbeing



Values Framework



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Primary School

Primary students benefit from learning English, Mathematics, International Primary Curriculum (IPC: enquiry-based, cross-curricular Science, Geography and History units) and 'Values' lessons with their Class Teachers.

Their classroom environment presents a nurturing focus on effective learning routines and skills and social development. This core curriculum is enriched by lessons with subject specialists in Art, French and Mandarin, Music, Nigerian and African Studies, Physical Education & swimming and STEM.

These lessons take place in purpose-built learning areas and ensure an excellent learning platform of knowledge, skills and understanding in preparation for the transition up to secondary school.

The whole academic programme is underpinned by the Pastoral Platform, our range of programmes, events and activities that support student wellbeing and personal and character development, and a sense of belonging and identity.

These include Healthy Lifestyle lessons in Values, IPC and Physical Education lessons, access to the Medical Centre and School Counsellor, the School House and 'Leadership Ladder' structures as well as the Charterhouse Lagos Character Education Model.





At Charterhouse Lagos, we are committed to developing the whole student through a broad, engaging, and globally-minded secondary education. In Key Stage 3, our curriculum blends the rigour of the English National Curriculum (ENC) with the inquiry-led approach of the International Middle Years Curriculum (IMYC), designed to deepen knowledge and promote real-world connections.

Our approach places strong emphasis on critical thinking, independence, and leadership. Key Stage 3 is not simply a stepping stone to IGCSEs and A Levels—it is the foundation on which students begin to flourish. These are the years where ambition is nurtured, character is formed, and each learner starts to shape their own future.

Students study a wide range of subjects, including English Language and Literature, Mathematics, Science, Humanities, French, and Mandarin. This core is enhanced with specialist teaching in STEM, World and African Literature, Physical Education, and Swimming, as well as an innovative Personal, Social, Health and Education (PSHE) curriculum.

Our Charterhouse Lagos values programme also plays a central role—encouraging students to form meaningful connections with the local community, explore their interests, and take part in purposeful service. This not only enriches their learning but prepares them to become active, responsible global citizens with a lifelong love of learning.



IGCSE (Years 10 & 11)

At Charterhouse Lagos, Key Stage 4 (KS4) spans Years 10 and 11, for students aged 14 to 16. During this phase, students prepare for their IGCSE (International General Certificate of Secondary Education) qualifications—globally recognised and academically rigorous. These exams are typically taken at the end of Year 11 and form the foundation for progression to A Level study in the Sixth Form.

All students follow a structured academic pathway designed to offer both breadth and depth. English Language and English Literature are mandatory and together count as two IGCSEs.

Mathematics is also compulsory, alongside at least two science subjects chosen from Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. These core areas ensure that students build strong foundations in literacy, numeracy, and scientific reasoning.

In addition to the core, students select three or four elective subjects, depending on their interests, strengths, and long-term aspirations.

These options may include History, Geography, French, Mandarin Chinese, Computer Science, Art, Music, and Business Studies.

The goal is to allow students to pursue both traditional academic routes and creative or technical disciplines. Elective subjects are offered based on student interest and staffing availability.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE) remains a vital part of the curriculum, supporting students' well-being, digital citizenship, and future planning. Physical Education (PE) is compulsory but not assessed for IGCSE, focusing instead on health, teamwork, and physical fitness.

Most students at Charterhouse Lagos will complete eight or nine IGCSEs by the end of Year 11. Exams typically take place between May and June, with results released in August. This well-rounded and forward-looking programme ensures each student is equipped for the challenges and opportunities of A Level study and beyond.





A Levels (Years 12 & 13)

Sixth Form encompasses Years 12 and 13, typically for students aged 16 to 18. During this phase, students undertake A Levels (IAL), globally recognised qualifications that are widely accepted by top universities around the world.

The A Level programme is divided into two stages. In Year 12, students study for their AS Level (Advanced Subsidiary), typically selecting four subjects, including the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), which is completed alongside their academic subjects. In Year 13, students continue with three A2 Level subjects, chosen from their original four, to complete the full A Level qualification.

The EPQ is a valuable part of the Sixth Form experience. It enables students to research a topic of personal interest in depth, resulting in a report, artefact, or performance. Equivalent to half an A Level, it develops academic writing, research skills, and critical thinking, and contributes to UCAS points—highly regarded by universities.

Assessment is based on performance across both stages, with AS Levels graded from A to E and full A Levels graded from A* to E. Exams are usually held in May and June, with results released in August.

Likely subject offerings will include Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, History, Geography, Business Studies, Computer Science, French, English Literature, Art, and Music. Choices are made in consultation with academic staff to ensure alignment with university and career goals.

Throughout Sixth Form, students are supported by our Careers and Higher Education Guidance team, who offer tailored advice on subject selection, university applications, personal statements, and interviews. Using platforms such as Unifrog and maintaining links with leading global universities, the team ensures that every student is well-prepared for the next stage of their academic journey.



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Boarding - our home away from home

Boarding: Where every student finds a second home

Opening in September 2025, our purpose-built boarding houses—Toddites for boys and Hencherites for girls—offer a safe, supportive, and enriching environment where students grow, thrive, and form lifelong friendships.

Each room accommodates up to four students, with high-quality beds, study desks, storage, and private ensuite bathrooms. All rooms are air-conditioned for year-round comfort.

Facilities are designed for both academic focus and relaxation. Students enjoy a TV lounge with foosball, the Rotunda for quiet reflection, and a computer and gaming room with Xbox and PS5. Study rooms, a counsellor's office, and a 'Buttery' kitchenette with a pantry and dining area complete the well-equipped houses. All areas are fitted with safety and emergency lighting.

Student wellbeing is central to the boarding experience. Resident Houseparents and Tutors provide daily mentoring, academic guidance, and supervised Prep (homework). A qualified counsellor is on-site, and all staff are trained in safeguarding. Three nutritious meals are served daily, and students may bring snacks from home.

We respect religious and cultural needs, supporting students and families in attending Church or Mosque services. Internet and technology use is monitored, with clear and structured routines in place to promote healthy, balanced habits. We offer both weekly and full boarding options, rooted in academic ambition, character development, and community.



A vibrant global community

The Charterhouse family of schools



Our sister school

The new traditions being established at our school in Lagos are built on the foundations of a shared Charterhouse philosophy.

We are a school with an independent identity, whilst also very much part of the Charterhouse family.

That bond can be seen in the common values and shared traditions that are as familiar to students in Lagos as they are to those in our sister school in England.

As part of the global Charterhouse community, our students and parents benefit from an education of the highest international standards, putting them in the best position to embrace future opportunities in education and employment.





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Uncovering creative talent

Nurturing self-expression and self-confidence

An education in the Arts at Charterhouse Lagos is underpinned by world-class facilities. This includes an 800-seat theatre and a dance studio as well as fully equipped art and music rooms.

Through art, music, dance or drama, we offer children every opportunity to explore new creative experiences

The breadth of these subjects gives students access to spaces where they can learn new talents and explore different perspectives on the world.

While studied as part of the curriculum, the arts are also invaluable at helping unlock personal development. Students can find passions that will stay with them for life while establishing the performance skills and building self-confidence.





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A wealth of extra-curricular activities

Pursuing passions beyond
the classroom





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A Carthusian Journey

Every school experience is unique, and for students of Charterhouse the world over, their journeys all share a number of traits that make them distinctly Carthusian. When they go out in the world, these are the values that will carry them onward.

Our students will have the confidence to grasp opportunities that arise, however complex they might be.

They will be equipped to evaluate risks, ask the right questions and make informed decisions.

In the face of change, challenge and setback, Charterhouse students will be able to draw on their resilience, adaptability, and intellectual agility.

They will always be prepared to stand up and play their part, and in dealing with others they will be generous of spirit and free from judgement.

Ultimately, they will benefit from being guided by a strong sense of purpose and knowing they are ready for whatever is to come.





Apply to Join Our School

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Apply

Parents will be required to complete a comprehensive application form, submit the following documentation and pay the NGN 2,000,000 application fee.

These documents are required to accompany your application form:

- Birth certificate
 - Recent passport photograph
 - Payment receipt for the application fee
 - Bio-data page of international passport
 - Last term report from the current school
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Assessment

Each applicant for a place will be required to undertake an assessment. For students who are overseas, arrangement for testing can be made with their current school.

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Assessment feedback

Feedback will be shared with parents.

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