

Dear friends and members of Adesuwa,

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# Back to school – successful start in the new school year

On September 17 the Back-to-School event took place. After a very strenuous drive from Lagos – due to the terrible condition of the roads - Esther arrived in Coker Village with the Back-to- School kits. Our children and their families were eagerly waiting to greet her and were very excited and grateful to receive the kits. For the first time, Adesuwa gave special recognition to those children who were always punctual, especially respectful and always had their homework. These children's school kits contained their uniform, school backpack, books, writing material, sandals and other additional clothing. A few children received a school kit with slightly less content as an incentive to give their best in the future. All our children are now fully equipped to start the school year.

Esther conversed with every child in English to check their learning progress. She reported that a few children are still struggling and will receive special attention from the tutors. The good news is that almost all children have really improved due to the additional tutor lessons.



Our kids are curious to see what's in the Back-to-School kit.

### Number of seconday school pupils increasing

The result of the tutor lessons: all of the primary school graduates passed the entrance exam for the secondary school! In August the children and their families took part in a festive event where the 12 new secondary pupils received their certificates. Adesuwa now has more children in secondary school (47) than in primary school (23). On request of the tutors, Adesuwa has bought additional secondary school books. For our first intake of children in 2013, this school year will be the last. It's especially rewarding for us that our children are continuing with school until they finish their education. We are so proud that so many children in Coker Village will be high school graduates - thanks to your ongoing support!



Our secondary school kids with their school bags.

### Adesuwa helps with emergency health issues

Unfortunately several of our children have experienced health problems in the past several months. Feye, our nurse, attends to the children during her visits with Esther and supplies them with medicine for de-worming and other regularly occurring illnesses. This month one boy suffered serious burns on his face while cooking over an open fire and another boy cut his hand badly. Fortunately the local Coker Village nurse could treat these emergency cases. Adesuwa reimbursed her expenses and our children were able to begin school as scheduled.

# Current information about Nigeria can be found here:

# German:

- Steigende Preise für Nahrung in Nigeria wegen Unruhen
  <u>https://www.dw.com/de/nigeria-verlassene-%C3%A4cker-und-steigende-preise/av-59097122</u>
- Verschleppte Kinder wieder frei <u>https://www.faz.net/aktuell/politik/ausland/nigeria-hundert-entfuehrte-schueler-wieder-frei-17504422.html</u>

### English:

- Plans to bring home famous artifacts looted by British Empire
  <u>https://edition.cnn.com/videos/world/2021/10/01/benin-bronzes-nigeria-sir-david-adjaye-madowo-intv-oneworld-intl-ldn-vpx.cnn</u>
- "Micro-pensions" scheme helps informal workers, 80% of the workforce
  <u>https://www.economist.com/middle-east-and-africa/2021/09/09/nigeria-is-struggling-to-get-informal-workers-to-save</u>

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