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THE COMMANDANT'S INTERVIEW

An Interview with BRIG GEN LA LEBO
The Cadets Brigade Commander NDA



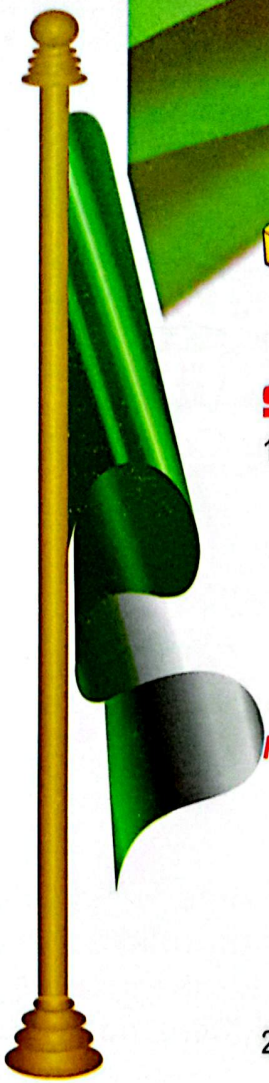
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NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise, O Compatriots,
Nigeria's call obey
To serve our fatherland
With love and strength and faith
The labour of our heroes past
Shall never be in vain
To serve with heart and might
One nation bound in freedom
Peace and Unity.

Oh God of Creation
Direct our noble cause
Guide our leaders right
Help our youths the truth to know
In love and honesty to grow
And living just and truth
Great lofty heights attain
To build a nation where peace
And justice shall reign.



THE NATIONAL PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria, my country
To be faithful, loyal and honest
To serve Nigeria
with all my strength
To defend her unity
And uphold her
honour and glory
So help me O God.





SCHOOL ANTHEM

1. We're the pupils of
NDA Staff School,
We all rejoice in this
Our motto is knowledge and
service
It guides all that we do.

Refrain:

With faith in God
And love for all
We shall reach our destiny
With hard-work and discipline
Our future will be bright.

2. We remain and shall
One family be
We shall remain ahead
Our colours are Green and Red
This is our identity.

3. God bless our teachers and our
parents
God bless Nigeria too
As future leaders
We shall take our place
When God is on our side.

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NIGERIAN DEFENCE ACADEMY STAFF SCHOOL

Ribadu Cantonment, Kaduna.

OUR MISSION

To impart an all-round education and knowledge to pupils which would serve as foundation for their academic, physical, moral and social development

OUR VISION

To become a leading primary school committed to providing solid academic foundation that is second to none, for the progressive development of the pupils to enable them realize their innate potentials

OUR AIM

To excel and be a hub for the provision of an all-round education necessary for the survival of the child and enable him contribute to the development of the society

OUR MOTTO

Knowledge and Service

OUR CORE VALUES

* Integrity
* Handwork
* Knowledge
* Patience
* Love
* Service

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From the Editor's Desk



Let me start by welcoming you to your favorite, spectacular, hilarious, educating and informative magazine, The Epic Magazine. The magazine that touches life by bringing you information about our leadership, society, politics and other interesting issues. This edition comes in a different dimension with interviews, articles on religion, education, socials, health tips, family, sports e.t.c.

As usual, this edition features interviews with The Commandant, Nigerian Defence Academy, Major general Adeniyi Oyebade. You need to read this and find out for yourself what the Commandant has to say concerning his drive, motivation, achievements, future prospects of NDA interactions with pupils of NDA Staff School and lots more.

Another important personality interviewed is Brigadier General, LA Lebo, Cadets Brigade Commander, (CBC). He is intelligent, humorous, focused, friendly and kind. In the interview he reveals who he is, ascribes his achievements as CBC to the Commandant, Maj. Gen A. Oyebade. Please, read and get more from this humble personality.

Other articles or write ups that are of interest are all packaged specially for our dear readers. Have you ever thought of why some families disintegrated? The answer to this is found in an interesting topic; Family: "The place of forgiveness". We also have other topical issues on both Christianity and Islamic religions. They are given a pride of place in our editions. Read and get closer to your creator. They are wonderful teachings.

The Commandant's major achievements are highlighted in this edition. Most especially, the block of classrooms with the state of arts of facilities in NDASS. This device was launched in commemoration of **"NDASS at 30 years"**. It is so colorful and makes this edition a **special package**. You can't afford to miss out on it.

Equally, we have packaged for you, hilarious jokes, interesting stories, puzzles, beauty tips and others.

On sports, it is interesting and encouraging to highlight the victory of NDASS relay teams at Ahmadu Bello University Staff School Zaria Inter-House Sports competition. Pictorials of the event are brought to you in the sports segment.

How come success stories abound in NDA Staff School? The answer is simple. The school has a loving, caring, passionate, a defender, a provider and a man who does not rest until his family is satisfied as, a father and mentor. The Commandant, NDA Maj. Gen. A. Oyebade. Sir, we whole-heartedly appreciate your kind benevolence. May the good Lord bless you abundantly, Sir.

Epic will like to recognize or amiable, dedicated and hardworking Academy Registrar and chairman, Schools management Board, Brig. Gen. IM. Jallo. Your encouragement, support and good direction has contributed immensely to our success story, sir. We lack words with which to thank you.

The Headmaster, Mr. N.I. Ogwo, we express our gratitude to you for your kind words, suggestions, corrections and guidance in the course of this work. Thank you so much, sir. Equally, the assistant Headmaster, Alh. M.S. Sanni, I cannot forget when you encourage us by saying, "I believe you can do it". "I trust your ability to do what it takes for us to succeed." Sir, we are grateful.

Not left out are Lt. Col A. Abdullahi, APRO, who gave us some pieces of advice and guided us in the right part and Major Adedokun for giving us and facilitating our link with The Commandant. Sir, you have done so well for us, thank you.

Our dear colleagues, you have been so supportive in every sense. Continue to support us as we work together for the benefit of our society. The Parent-Teacher Association, your kindness, assistance, and love for the school is commendable.

I will not forget to say thank you to our dear Toyosi and Mrs. Okorowa for painstakingly typing and helping put the articles in safe place.

We welcome constructive criticisms, suggestions and corrections on how to improve and move forward.

In all, we give the Almighty God our helper, sustainer, provider and guide all the glory and adoration.

Happy reading. See you in our next edition

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FROM THE HEADMMASTER'S DESK

MY FOOTPRINTS

IN THE NIGERIAN DEFENCE ACADEMY STAFF SCHOOL

It's another season for the publication of "The Epic Magazine". I am so elated that the publication has been consistent after a lull some years back. I therefore congratulate the school for this feat and commend the Editorial team headed by Mr Ocholi Onuche. The limited time they had to ensure the magazine is published shows extra dedication and resilience.

One of my achievements was the founding of "The Epic Magazine". It sounded like a joke when I was asked to start a publication in the school. But the "I can do it" spirit in me impelled me to take the bull by the horn. And, after I single-handed produced the maiden edition, the publication has rolled on to this 7th Edition.

However, I wish to, in this edition, state, for posterity, a few facts about my sojourn in NDA Staff School. I came in as NCE Teacher (Master III) and will be exiting as Headmaster (Principal Master 1) with a Master in Public Administration (MPA), after spending 32years of my youthful life to assist in nurturing the school. These 32 years have been so eventful and dotted with denials and favor, insults and praise, intrigues, achievements, initiatives, and self-actualization. I can beat my chest to say "I came, I saw, and I conquered." I have done my best in bringing up children who are now men and women in their various fields of endeavor. I am leaving indelible footprints in the school. I composed the school Anthem and founded the school magazine. I and three other teachers prepared the 1st Batch of Primary six in 1994. I started Fortnightly workshop in the school. I was the first Headmaster of the school with a Master Degree while on the post. I was the first teacher in school to publish two books at a time for use in the school and other schools. I fought and made sure the Alumni of this school was inaugurated. The school got a sports ground during my tenure. The Home Economics Laboratory was my brainchild. The outer walls of the school were painted and drawings made on them by my administration. I ensured the school compound was given a facelift. I organized training workshops for teachers termly, and many more.

The above may sound as blowing my tr...



want to be seen and read about as a man who saw it all in this school and gave his best for her.

I am encouraging other teachers, both male and female, to leave something behind in the school for which they could be remembered.

Once again, I congratulate the Editors and the Editorial team of **THE EPIC MAGAZINE**. I appreciate the team spirit and support I have been receiving from the teachers. The Academy Registrar/Chairman of the NDA Schools Management Board, Brig Gen IM Jallo has been so wonderful. I remember the wonderful encouragement and support I got from the past Academy Registrars viz.,Maj Gen YD Pyeng - who released me to go for my first degree; Maj Gen H Ayamasaowei - who encouraged me to publish my books; Maj Gen IM Yusuf - during whose tenure I was appointed Headmaster. The NDA Commandant, Maj Gen A Oyebade has been exceptionally and overwhelmingly supportive. May God bless them all.

Long live The Epic Magazine!
Long live the NDA Staff School!
Long live the Nigerian Defence Academy!
Long live Ni...

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THE SENIOR PREFECT'S ADDRESS (HEADBOY)



The Commandant Sir, the Headmaster, the dignitaries in our midst, my noble teachers, parents and all our invited guests, good afternoon. I am Ahmad Ibrahim, a pupil of class 6A and the Head Boy, 2018/2019 session.

I will like to express my unending gratitude to the Almighty God, for making this session a successful one. It's been God all this while who enabled us to see the end of this remarkable session.

To the management and staff of this great school, I will like to pay my respect and gratitude to you for appointing me Head Boy with variable functions to deliver. It's been a privilege and an opportunity to hold such great post in my first hurdle of academic life.

Words also aren't enough to express my gratitude to the Commandant of Nigerian Defence Academy for all he did for the school, the new classroom block, the renovations, water reticulation, equipping the computer and home economics laboratories and other things too numerous to list.

To the headmaster, Mr. N.I. Ogwo, I thank you for your support, advice and encouragements you always give to the pupils to enable them work hard and be successful in all their endeavours. To my great teachers, may God bless you all and strengthen you. You've been a guiding light that led to our success today.

To my mates, time won't permit me to commend you enough for your support and prayers both as class mates and as prefects. You all have left a scar in my heart. We are moving to the second hurdle of our academic pursuit and I pray we shall all be successful.

To the other pupils of this great institution, thank you also for supporting me and the other prefects in carrying out our duties in peace. I beckon on you all to be respectful to the teachers and authorities of the school. Work hard to be promoted to the next class. Well, little may have been written, however the opportunity given to me to serve has made me realize the importance of honesty, uprightness, obedience and hard work. Thank you and God bless you all.

Long live Nigeria
Long live Nigerian Defence Academy
Long live NDASS.

Ahmad Ibrahim (Outgoing head boy)

HOW TO MAKE ICE CREAM



INGREDIENTS

Egg (white) 2 eggs
Milk (sachet or tin) 4 sachet
Sugar 3 spoonful
Flavor e.g vanilla flavor

PROCEDURE

1. Pour your egg (white) into a container and use your egg beater to beat it till it becomes foamy.
2. Mix your sachet milk into a little water and mix well
3. Dissolve your sugar into a little water (warm)
4. Mix the milk and sugar into the foamy egg and your flavor
5. Stir properly and put it in the refrigerator
6. At this point your ice-cream is ready to be served to children with cookies.

By: Esther Sani Dauda (Ex-pupil)

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