

# CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF AWKA

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### SECOND TERM 2024/2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

DAYS	DATES	ACTIVITIES
<b>JANUARY 2025</b>		
Sunday	12.01.2025	<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST)</b> End of Christmas Holiday: Boarders return to school
Monday	13.01.2025	Schools Resume for Second Term 2024/2025 Academic Year. Compound cleaning 13 <sup>th</sup> Congress for school children
Tuesday to Thursday	14.01.2025 to 17.01.2025	Classes resume/Resumption tests  Opening Mass for Teachers and Students/Pupils
Saturday	18.01.2025	Prayer for Christian Unity begins.
Wednesday	22.01.2025	<b>Maiden Plenary Meeting of all Managers of Catholic Secondary Schools in Anambra State at St. Mary's High School, Ifitedunu @ 9.30am</b>
Saturday	25.01.2025	Prayer for Christian Unity ends (A Prayer session and/or Mass with the entire staff and students is recommended on this day.
Tuesday	28.01.2025	St. Thomas Aquinas (Mem) Patron of Catholic Teachers. Meeting of Education Secretaries at the Education Secretariat, Awka @ 10am
Tuesday	28.01.2025	<b>Clinical Supervision of Secondary Schools in Awka Diocese resumes for 2<sup>nd</sup> Term of 2024/2025</b>
Wednesday	29.01.2025	Secondary School Quiz Competition (Regional level) @ Regional Headquarters. Time: 9am
Thursday	30.01.2025	Regional Meeting of Head teachers @ their respective Regional Headquarters by 10am. (Come with your statistics)
<b>FEBRUARY 2025</b>		
Tuesday	04.02.2025	<b>Meeting of Managers &amp; Principals of Catholic Secondary Schools at St. Theresa's Secondary School, Enugwu-Ukwu. Please, come with your statistics for 2nd term examinations.</b>
Thursday	06.02.2025	<b>Meeting of Primary School Managers at the Diocesan Catholic Secretariat Hall, Awka @ 11am</b>
Tuesday	11.02.2025	<b>SSCE MOCK EXAMINATION for SS3 Begins</b>
Tuesday to Friday	11.02.2025 to 14.02.2025	Annual General Meeting of National Association of Catholic Diocesan Directors of Education (NACDDED) holds in Uromi.

Wednesday	12.02.2025	Primary School Quiz Competition (Regional level) @ Regional Headquarters. Time: 9am
Thursday	13.02.2025	Diocesan FINAL of the Secondary School Quiz Competitions at St. John of God Secondary School, Awka. Time: 10am
Wednesday	19.02.2025	Diocesan FINAL of the Primary School Quiz Competitions at the Diocesan Podium, Awka. Time: 10am
Tuesday	25.02.2025	<b>SSCE MOCK EXAMINATION for SS3 ends</b>
Wednesday to Friday	26.02.2025 to 28.02.2025	<b>Mid Term Break begin</b>
<b>MARCH 2025</b>		
Monday	03.03.2025	Classes Begin after Midterm break
WEDNESDAY	05.03.2025	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY (Day of Fast and Abstinence)</b>
Thursday	06.03.2025	<b>Meeting of Diocesan Catholic Teachers Association at the Diocesan Catholic Secretariat, Awka @ 10am</b>
Friday	07.03.2025	WORLD BOOK DAY (Uninterrupted sustained silent reading)
Monday	17.03.2025	<b>Feast of St. Patrick: Patron of Awka Diocese</b>
Wednesday	26.03.2025	<b>PLACEMENT EXAMS TO SECONDARY SCHOOLS</b>
Thursday	27.03.2025	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> TERM EXAMINATION BEGINS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS</b>
<b>APRIL 2025</b>		
Tuesday	01.04.2025	<b>2<sup>ND</sup> TERM EXAMINATION BEGINS FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS</b>
Tuesday	08.04.2025	<b>Examination Ends for both Primary and Secondary Schools</b>
Wednesday	09.04.2025	COMPULSORY Annual Lenten Retreat for staff and students
Thursday	10.04.2025	Retreat, Penitential Service/Confessions & Compound Cleaning
Friday	11.04.2025	<b>Schools Vacate for 2<sup>nd</sup> Term (Easter) holiday</b>
Saturday	12.04.2025	Chrism Mass – Adazi Regions
Sunday	13.04.2025	<b>PASSION SUNDAY (PALM SUNDAY)</b>
Tuesday	15.04.2025	Chrism Mass – Nimo Regions
Wednesday	16.04.2025	Chrism Mass – Awka Region
Friday	18.04.2025	Good Friday (A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE)
SUNDAY	20.04.2025	EASTER SUNDAY
SUNDAY	27.04.2025	<b>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</b> <b>Boarders return for 3<sup>rd</sup> term 2024/2025</b>
Monday	28.04.2025	<b>Schools Resume for 3<sup>rd</sup> term 2024/2025 Academic Session</b>

### Nota Bene:

1. Second term examinations for both Primary and Secondary Schools and Mock Examination for S.S 3 are to be conducted by the Diocese through the Diocesan Examination Committee. Kindly adhere to the timetable for the examination and maintain maximally, the Examination ethics. Ensure that you submit your statistics for the examinations early enough, possibly the day we have meetings.

2. We have novels for Secondary Schools at the Diocesan Education Secretariat. Schools are required to procure these novels from our office. Primary schools are to procure recommended texts from regional offices.
3. **Again, recommended texts for 2025 BECE are available at the Diocesan Education office.**
4. Pay your Management Levy to the Regional Education Secretaries. Evidence of payment according to school population to be provided before Midterm break. Examination Levy to be paid to the Exam Committee (for Secondary Schools) two weeks after resumption. Primary Schools should pay through the administrative secretaries at the Regional Offices.
5. Schools charged to set exam questions are urged to get them ready for use as soon as possible and submit to the members of Exam Committee to avoid rush. This instruction is for both Primary and Secondary Schools.
6. I strongly recommend that we conduct at least **a two day Lenten Retreat** for our Secondary School students after examination in preparation for Easter. Arrange for a priest(s) to come for the two days retreat and confessions.
7. We have Quiz Competitions for both Secondary and Primary Schools this term. Adhere strictly to the recommended texts.

Wishing you all the best this term and beyond!

**Rev. Fr. Maximus C. Okonkwo**

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