



# APRIL 2022 NEWSLETTER



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World Autism Day ( April 2) each year marks the beginning of World Autism Awareness month set aside by the United Nations to highlight issues related to people with autism.

This year's theme is **Inclusive Quality Education for all**.

World Autism Awareness month was a particularly good one for us at The Zeebah Foundation. The Zeebah Foundation featured in national newspapers The Punch newspaper (<https://healthwise.punchng.com/rising-above-the-spectrum-autistic-children-can-survive-chart-great-career-paths-parents/>) and The Nigerian Tribune (<https://tribuneonlineng.com/daunting-task-of-taming-autism/>). For the complete article please visit: [www.zeebahfoundation.com/articles](http://www.zeebahfoundation.com/articles). We had pre-event advert transmission and live guest appearances on five radio stations, network programmes of the Nigerian Television Authority and Wazobia Max TV as well as coverage of our annual Sensitization Sessions on both NTA and Galaxy TV. Over and above the services we offer, we can proudly say we fulfilled our core objective of providing access to quality resources (within and outside Nigeria). We opened our doors to the public to commemorate World Autism Awareness month by Organizing:

- Interactive sessions
- Free ABA & Speech and Language Therapy Assessment
- Advocacy and Sensitization Visits to Schools in Abuja



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To commemorate World Autism Awareness month this year, The Zeebah Foundation in collaboration with Cuppy Foundation organized Autism Awareness Seminars. Our most sincere gratitude to our Brand Ambassador and CEO Cuppy Foundation **Florence Ifeoluwa Otedola** for the annual grant which availed us the opportunity to reach so many more parents and caregivers, this year.

To the Nigerian Television Authority and pHd we say a big THANK YOU.



**Omobolade Osoare (RD)**  
Lead Dietitian, Dove dietary Consult.  
Facilitator: Session 1



**DR. (Mrs) Doris Izuwah**  
CEO/Founder Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Health Foundation & Autism Centre  
Facilitator: Session 2



**Tomi Agboola-Odeleye**  
Consultant Speech & Language Therapy  
Facilitator: Session 3

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## Interactive Sessions

Our interactive sessions kicked off with Session 1 by Omobolade Osoare (RD), Lead Dietitian Dove Dietary Consult on **Optimal Nutrition for Autism Spectrum Disorders**. Her presentation is available online at [www.zeebahfoundation.com/worldautismmonthseminars2022](http://www.zeebahfoundation.com/worldautismmonthseminars2022) Session 2 was facilitated by Dr. Doris Izuwah MBBS, QBA, ACAS, IBA of Our Lady of Guadalupe Health Foundation & Autism Centre [OLG]. Session 2 focused on “Sensory Integration vis-à-vis Motor Skills in Children with Autism”.

In attendance were our Chairman / Founder, Mr. Nzan Ogbe, his son, Aziba Ogbe, parents and caregivers of children with ASD, Management & staff of our parent company Levene Energy Group and members of the press. We also had a good number of virtual attendees who joined us via our Microsoft Teams platform.

Special thanks to our facilitators, parents and caregivers of children with ASD & staff of our Partner schools. Below are some of the photographs taken at the April 2022 sessions



**Mr. Nzan Ogbe**  
Chairman & Founder, The Zeebah Foundation



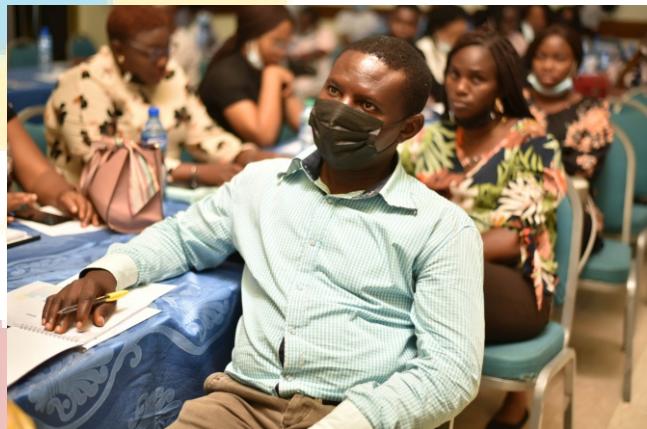
Omobodale Osoare (RD)  
Facilitator Session 1



Dr. Doris Izuwah MBBS, QBA, ACAS, IBA  
Facilitator: Session 2



Tomi-Agboola Odeleye  
Facilitator Session 3





### SESSION 3

Session 3 focused on **Sensory Integration vis-a-vis Motor Skills** in Children with Autism and was facilitated by our UK-based Consultant on Speech and Language Therapy Ms. Tomi Agboola-Odeleye. It culminated with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, prize winners for an exercise.



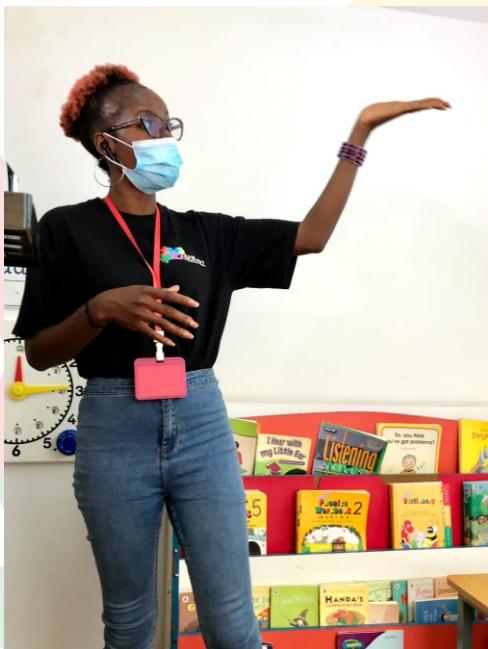


All presentations can be accessed on our website at [www.zeebahfoundation.com/worldautismmonthseminars2022](http://www.zeebahfoundation.com/worldautismmonthseminars2022)

## Partner Schools Seminars

Recognition of the presence of children with developmental delays in mainstream schools led us to introduce sensitization and advocacy sessions for these schools in 2019. Our partner Schools (schools that send us referrals for assessments and evaluation of their students) identify children with these needs and call on us to provide these children with Therapy Care Support or Support Aide Services where needed.

To foster inter-professional collaborations for the multi-faceted methods of managing children with ASD, Registered Behaviour Technicians of The Zeebah Foundation led by our clinical Supervisor Oluwadamilola Alawode RBT, QASP-S this year addressed staff of two private schools in Abuja metropolis - **Oakland International School** and **The Regent School Abuja** on **Indicators & Teaching Strategies**



## Photos taken at The Regent School





## Television & Radio Guest Appearances

We are immensely grateful to the Management of The Nigerian Television Authority for partnering with us to air our event jingles. Our Session 2 facilitator Dr. Doris Izuwah MBBS, QBA, ACAS, IBA featured on World Autism Day's live edition of Weekend Deal on Saturday 2nd April 2022.



We also had our Clinical Supervisor (OA) and parent of one of our registered out-of-location kids Dr. Sylvia Okeke feature on Conversations a live programme on the network service of the Nigerian Television Authority on 6th April 2022



OA & Mrs. Okeke on set at NTA Studio

We are most grateful to the Management of Nigerian Television Authority - for these guest appearances.



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Our guest appearances were made possible by one of our existing Donors - phd Media



We were able to enlighten members of the public on Signs and Symptoms of Autism on five radio stations, Boss FM, Wazobia Max FM, Ray Power FM, Love FM and Classic FM.



## ABAT Certification

The Zeebah Foundation provides **access** not just to children with ASD, their parents and caregivers but to our staff as well.

Congratulations to our five successful therapists Benjamin Aileme, Carine Ogbe, Godsfavour Chukwuma, Saratu Buba and Victoria Eko on their completion and certification of The Zeebah Foundation sponsored Applied Behaviour Analysis Technicians training course as certified by the QABA credentialing Board.

They were to achieve a minimum score of 70% every week to qualify for the subsequent week. We are proud to announce they performed very well and are by this, now entrusted with the daily instruction and behaviour intervention plans for special needs children especially those with Autism.

Best of luck to them all as they commence needed supervision as a pre-requisite for their international board examinations over the next few months

### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS TECHNICIAN (ABAT)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HEALTH FOUNDATION & AUTISM CENTER

hereby certifies that

*Aileme Benjamin Dame*

has successfully completed the 40 hours coursework requirement for ABAT according to  
The Qualified Applied Behavior Analysis Credentialing Board (QABA)

(21st March - 15th April 2022).

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Dr (Mrs)Doris Izueah  
(MMBBS, QRA, ACAP)



### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS TECHNICIAN (ABAT)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HEALTH FOUNDATION & AUTISM CENTER

hereby certifies that

*Carine Ogbe*

has successfully completed the 40 hours coursework requirement for ABAT according to  
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### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS TECHNICIAN (ABAT)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HEALTH FOUNDATION & AUTISM CENTER

hereby certifies that

*Godsfavour Chukwuma*

has successfully completed the 40 hours coursework requirement for ABAT according to  
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### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS TECHNICIAN (ABAT)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HEALTH FOUNDATION & AUTISM CENTER

hereby certifies that

*Saratu Buba*

has successfully completed the 40 hours coursework requirement for ABAT according to  
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### APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS TECHNICIAN (ABAT)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HEALTH FOUNDATION & AUTISM CENTER

hereby certifies that

*Victoria Ude Eko*

has successfully completed the 40 hours coursework requirement for ABAT according to  
The Qualified Applied Behavior Analysis Credentialing Board (QABA)

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## In-House Staff Training Workshop

We also had one of our Consultants Mrs. Dotun Akande, ACAS, Founder / CEO Patrick's Speech and Language Centre, Lagos and Speech & Language Pathologist, Grace Ojeamiren-Bamigboye, Ph.D, CC-SLP (member, Speech Pathology and Auditory Association of Nigeria SPAAN) rounded up our activities for World Autism Awareness month activities this year with Training sessions for our staff at our pilot centre and review our Speech and Language Therapy modules.





## Fabulous Autistic Talented (Art Exhibition)

Kanyechukwu Okeke's annual Fabulous Autistic Talented [ F.A.T.] held at the lobby of Transcorp Hotels Abuja themed No Child Left Behind. Staff and kids of The Zeebah Foundation led by the Clinical Supervisor and Other therapists attended and were privileged to have Mr. Kevin Brett, General Manager of the Hotel read stories from a book titled "My name is Nimi" - Bukola Ayinde.



**Picture of the donated book.**



Copies of the book were donated by Mr. & Mrs. Okeke to our pilot centre

## Scanned Letter of Appreciation from The Okeke's



Kanye Yachukwu

The Zeebah Foundation

Rhine street, Maitama

Abuja.

10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: AN INVITATION TO ATTEND AND COVER A SOLO ART EXHIBITION IN COMMEMORATION OF WORLD AUTISM MONTH.**

**LETTER OF APPRECIATION**

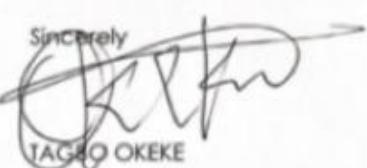
With heartfelt gratitude, we the entire Tagbo-Okeke family wish to express our sincere thanks to you, for honouring Kanye Yachukwu's invitation to his just concluded 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL FAT EXHIBITION THEMED NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND

Thank you for the value you have placed in not only our son but, for all other special needs children in commemorating the world autism day with them.

Kanye's story is one of divine grace that will continue to inspire others and we thank you, for recognizing the gift in him.

"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." Mark Twain

May the almighty bless you even more.

Sincerely  
  
TAGBO OKEKE

  
DR SILEVIA TAGBO-OKEKE



Kanyeyachukwu

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## April 2022: Birthday Celebrants



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NU & his Therapist



NU with other kids and staff



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## Farewell Page

Three of our registered kids will not be continuing with us. Lotachi Oguanobi who will be relocating to Canada, Nkechi Anyanwu who relocated to a State in South-eastern Nigeria and Edla Iseko an out-of-centre child we were supporting at her mainstream school. We will surely miss them.



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Na's Mother Mrs. Joy Anyanwu had this to say about her daughter's stay with us. Her interview can be viewed at [www.zeebahfondation.com/testimonials-2/](http://www.zeebahfondation.com/testimonials-2/). We wish Nkechi a seamless transition and many milestones.

## GUESS WHO CAME VISITING?

Staff & kids had the pleasure of having Kanyechukwu Okeke at The Zeebah Place Abuja for few days of his school term holiday..

Some photographs of Kanye and others.



## Donor Appreciation Page

Our deepest appreciation goes to Viliant Energy

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And Mr Adams A. Agbo.



The Board of Trustees, Management & Staff

# Thank You!

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**FLORENCE IFEOLUWA OTEDOLA**  
**(AKA DJ CUPPY)**

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### Other Services

- Applied Behaviour Analysis Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Academic Program
- Independent/Self Help Skills
- Creative Arts

Support Aide

Professional development and Staff Training

Parent and Care-giver training