

2018 ISLM REPORT - CENTRE FOR EDUCATIONAL MEDIA RESOURCE STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN, NIGERIA

The Centre for Educational Media Resource Studies, University of Ibadan, Ibadan Nigeria celebrated the 2018 International School Library Month from Monday 8 to Friday 12 October, 2018.

The activities held during the week include; radio talk, visits to schools and grand finale celebration at the University of Ibadan. All the activities focused on the theme of the ISLM for the year "WHY I LOVE MY SCHOOL LIBRARY".

The peak of the celebration was a special programme held on the 10th of October 2018 at the Trenchard Hall, University of Ibadan.

The programme had in attendance over 200 secondary and primary school pupils and students from both public and private schools within Ibadan metropolis invited for the programme.

The Guest speakers at the occasion were Prof A. Aderinto (Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academic), University of Ibadan and Prof. Soji Adejumo of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Ibadan. The two speakers shared with the children from their wealth of experience on the important of school libraries and how school libraries has helped them in developing good reading culture at their early years and which has ultimately helped them in getting to the peak of their careers as early as possible.

The speakers encouraged the children to let their story serve as a source of inspiration which should make them to see the school library as very important place that can help them achieve their desires and achievements in life.

The celebration also featured drama, poetry and songs performances on the theme of the celebration.

Some of the schools that performed at the occasion are, Joyville school, International School, Ibadan (ISI)and Top Rank Intellectual Academy, Ajibode, Ibadan.

The occasion also had in attendance representatives of the Principal Staff of the University as well as The Dean, Faculty of Education.

The Ag. Director of CEMRS, who is the Chief Host also spoke on the contributions of the Center towards developing sustainable school library service for national development in Nigeria.

A student of one of the secondary schools in Ibadan who has authored 2 books also shared her experience with the children. She emphasised that being able to write well is a function of good reading culture.

Awards were also presented to the guest speakers and the young author.

The other days of the week featured visits to schools and the electronic media houses to sensitise the school managements and the general public on the importance of the school library to the development of the cognitive, psychomotor and affective domain of the children.

