

ZODML partners LASG to boost literacy and reading.

.....set to open four additional school libraries

Zaccheus Onumba Dibiaezue Memorial Libraries (ZODML) has concluded arrangements to partner with the Lagos State Government and the Ministry of Education to promote literacy and reading in local government primary schools in Lagos State.

The move, which is part of efforts aimed at ensuring that primary school pupils have unfettered access to well-equipped libraries in over 20 schools before 2016, is coming on the backdrop of the commemoration of World Literacy Day.

Speaking on the proposed partnership, Mrs. Ifeoma Esiri, CEO of ZODML, said in Nigeria every day should be World Literacy Day as the country could not afford to think about and focus on literacy on only one day in the year. The four new school libraries will give pupils access to over 4000 books.

Mrs Esiri further disclosed that ZODML, with support from the International Book Bank, USA, would be donating over 50,000 books to government agencies, schools and NGOs for the execution of literacy programmes. The donation would be part of a one-day literacy development event for which ZODML would be seeking the collaboration of the Lagos State Government.

It would be recalled that ZODML opened its sixth school library at Araromi Baptist Nursery and Primary School, Lagos Island on the 29th of May this year.