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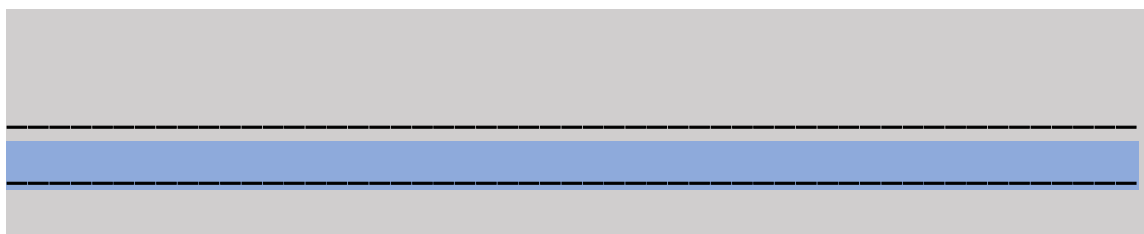
In February 2020, Edo Boys High School 1981 alumni put together a subcommittee to plan her 40th graduation anniversary reunion in 2021. The committee met and submitted its report to the general house in March of 2020. The committee made two major recommendations as follows

Implement a project at our Alma Mater

During its sittings, the committee delegated some of its members who visited the school and had discussions with the school principal as part of measures to ensure that whatever project we decide should have a direct impact on the students' academics and make a difference in their future pursuits in life, especially in their career choices. Rebranding the school library was identified as the project that would meet this laudable goal of the association. Upon visiting the school library, it was found to be a shadow of her old self with very old, dilapidated, and inadequate shelves, with old and outdated books laying all over the floor. Considering how central the library is to the overall academic wellbeing of all the students, it was clear that the association needed to do something about what we saw. The association then decided to renovate, re-equip and rebrand the library to make it a comprehensive student center equipped with adequate, modern and up-to-date library furniture, books, a laptop computer with a projector and screen for PowerPoint presentations, and internet access



State of the Library after Renovation



The comprehensive student center is also intended to tie with guidance counselling as students need to be adequately informed and prepared for careers of the future.

The association also decided to design and present a website edoboyshighschool.net platform for the school that gives specific URL (i.e. any student's name or staff @domain) email access to the staffers, students and alumni

As we all know, COVID 19 changed all plans in 2020. Having the reunion in 2021 was no longer realistic as our member's home and abroad could not make any concrete plans. The plan was to deliver the library and website project during the reunion.

However, due to exigencies of the times in 2020, the association fast tracked the creation of the internet website. On May 24th, 2020, the website was handed over to the school principal and President of the Old Boys Association at a virtual meeting through zoom. The website has been in operation ever since.

In early June of this year 2022, the library was cleared of its old furniture, it was then painted with new doors fitted. Modern shelves and library chairs were delivered to the library, inverter, fans and adequate lighting systems installed at the library by the 1981 alumni.



State of the Library before Renovation

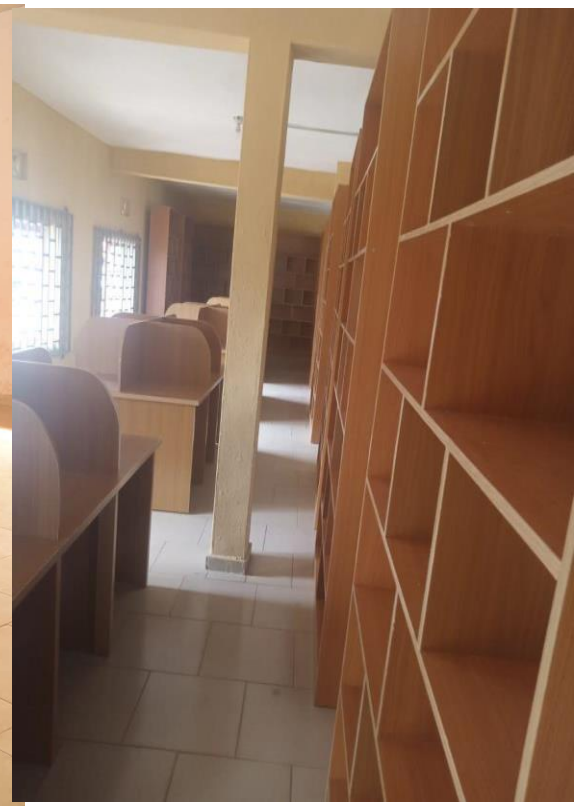




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Senator-Elect, Barr. Imasuen and Mr. Osabuohien Adonri, 81 Set Chairman at the library handover ceremony



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With rebranding of the library, the school should be able to achieve:

A comprehensive academic resource center that incorporates a counseling programmed with a qualified professional education counselor to help students navigate the complex and convoluted world of career choices and opportunities.

The student center should be manned by a guidance counsellor and a resource room teacher who is skilled in computer usage.

Objectives of the resource room

Students come in to discuss career choices and subject combinations with the guidance counsellor using online computer provided in the resource room. Appropriate placement of the students based on their academic strengths and needs will be discussed here and appropriate recommendations made to the academic staff/school management for necessary action. This should be documented online. Students can be directed to online sites where they can research careers on their own.

Students and teachers will have access to the school online website and can go online and interact.

Students' results and other relevant details can be published online with regular updates.

The website platform edoboyshighschool.net created by the 1981 set is expected to achieve the following:

Help the administrative staff, teachers, and students to catch up with formal and informal academic activities

Help with students' assignment and tutoring.

Expand students' scope and horizon and give them a clearly defined access to the world

Showcase the history of the school.

Create an interactive community for the school and alumni activities.

Cost of renovation, resuscitating, and rebranding the school library

The 1981 alumni has spent the sum of five million six hundred and seventy six thousand and eight hundred Naira (N5, 676,800) so far on the school library. The cost is broken down as follows:

Library Furniture (Shelves, chairs and desks) = ₦3,170,400

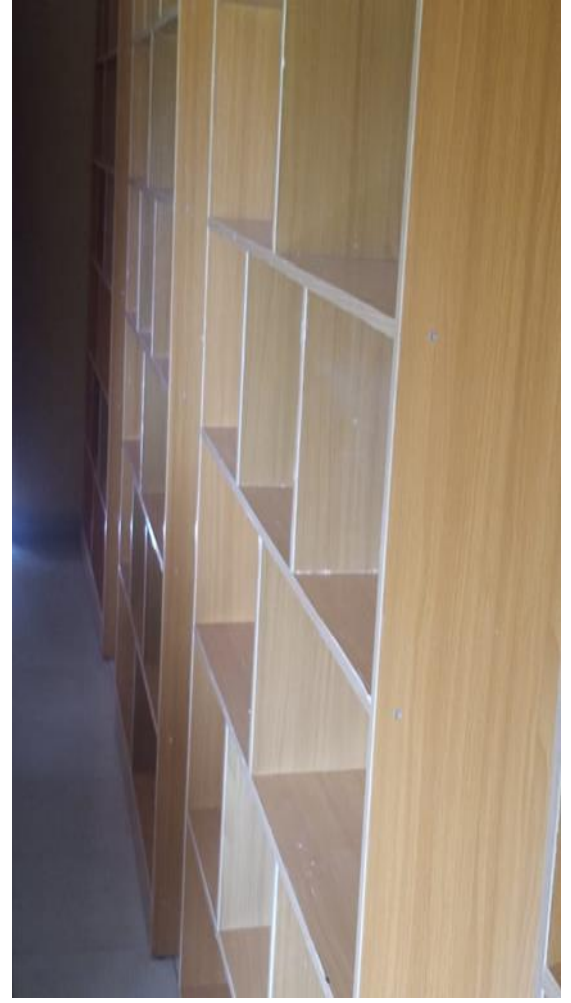
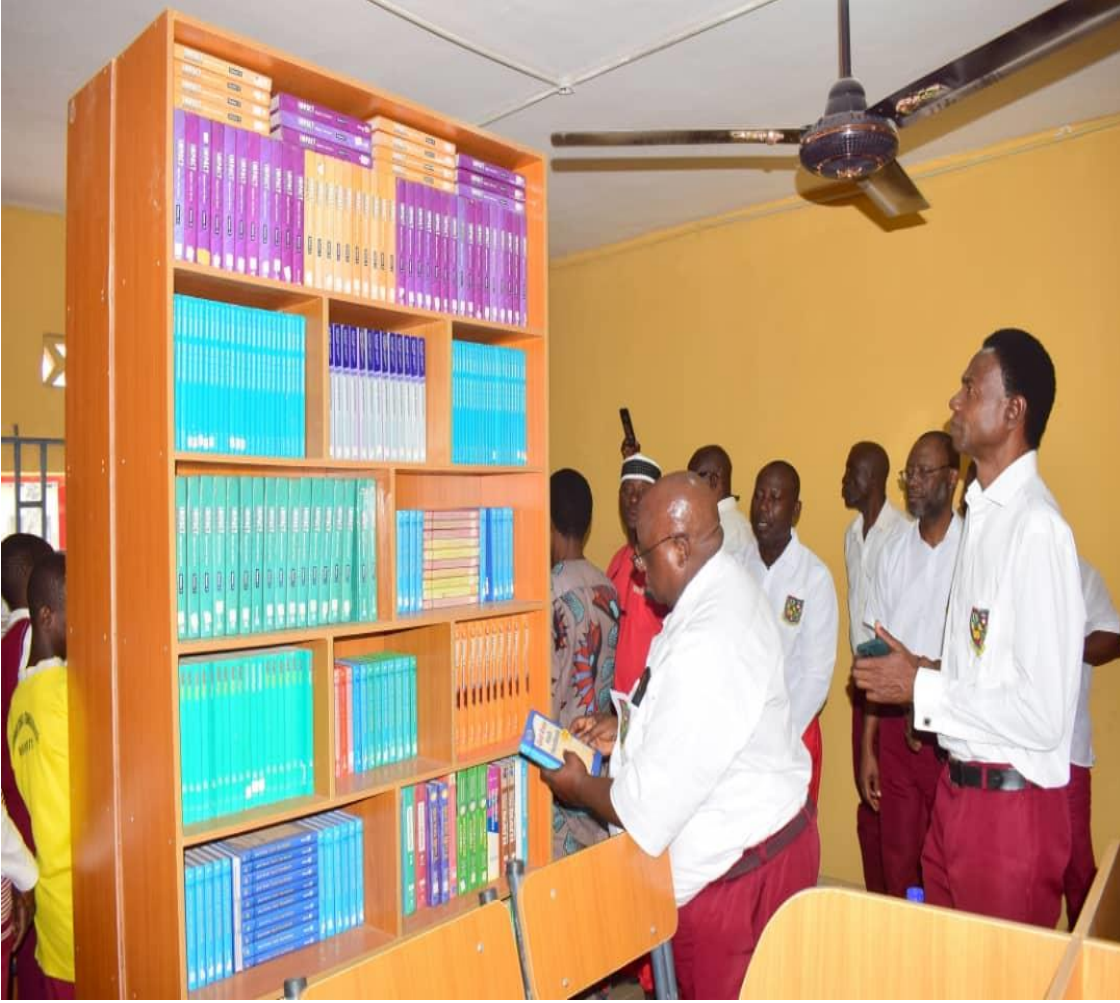
Painting of the library, purchase and installation of new doors= N310,000

Purchase and installation of a 4kva, 4 batteries and 6 solar panels inverter system = N1,815,000

Electrical wiring, light fixtures, sockets, 6 ceiling fans - N278,100

Protective guards for offices and equipment - N103,300

Total. N5,676,800



81 Set inspecting the library during re-union and handover ceremony



Old Boys graced the occasion at the handover of renovated Library ceremony

New solar inverter/panels and batteries for the Library



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