

# Greensprings School Lagos

Lagos, Nigeria



*Grown from a three-pupil Montessori nursery in 1985 into a three-campus pathway through IGCSE to the IB Diploma.*

## RANKING DIMENSIONS

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| Overall              | 61/100 |
| Academic outcomes    | 63/100 |
| University placement | 61/100 |
| Prestige & heritage  | 62/100 |
| Alumni network       | 61/100 |
| Facilities           | 64/100 |
| Transparency         | 50/100 |

## EDITOR'S VERDICT

Greensprings occupies a clear place in the Lagos market: a large, established, non-religious all-through school with a British curriculum and a defined route to the IB Diploma. Founded in **1985** from a Montessori nursery, it now runs across three campuses and serves ages **2-18**, with both day and boarding provision. That matters. In a city where parents often patch together separate schools for early years, secondary and sixth form, Greensprings offers continuity. It also holds BSO and CIS accreditation, which gives the school external scrutiny that many local competitors do not match. The special point is not mystique; it is scale, stability and a full educational runway in one institution.

The school’s strongest practical advantage sits at Lekki. The campus enrolls over **1,400** pupils and includes boarding for around **400** students, with a 24-hour health clinic, science laboratories, dedicated rooms for art and music, and serious sports infrastructure: pools, athletics track, basketball courts, football pitches and tennis courts. This is a school built for families who want options under one roof and enough breadth for a child to develop beyond the classroom. The attraction is *institutional depth*, *genuine continuity* and *room to grow*. The trade-off is obvious too: parents looking for a tiny, intimate school with a highly rarefied academic profile will find Greensprings more broad-based than boutique. It reads as a substantial school, not a niche one.

Why shortlist it? Because Greensprings covers a lot of ground well: British curriculum, English-medium teaching, boarding, a non-religious setting, visible facilities and a route to IGCSE and the IB Diploma. For many families, that combination is *hard to dismiss*. The school also gives weight to character, moral education, arts and sport alongside academics, which will suit parents who want *a balanced adolescence* rather than a narrow exam factory. What it does not publish here is the hard academic data that would sharpen the picture further; parents should ask for IB results, IGCSE outcomes, university destinations and cohort size by year group before deciding.

The student who will thrive here is not just the top exam technician. Greensprings suits a child who wants *a full school life*: lessons, sport, music, drama, clubs, house spirit and, for some, boarding. It fits families who value structure, breadth and a campus environment with visible resources. Boarders, internationally minded sixth formers and students who benefit from a large peer group all have a strong case for it. So do children who need *a steady long-term home* from nursery to sixth form, rather than repeated school changes.

STRENGTHS

- One of Lagos's longest-established British-curriculum schools, founded in 1985, giving it a multi-decade track record in the local private education market.
- Operates across multiple Lagos campuses, allowing families some choice of location within the city rather than a single site.
- Follows the English National Curriculum through to IGCSE and A-Level, giving pupils an internationally recognised exit qualification for university applications abroad.
- Offers schooling from early years through secondary in one group, reducing the need for families to change providers as children age.
- Long operating history in Lagos means established relationships with local regulators and a known reputation among Nigerian and expatriate professional families.

TRADE - OFFS

- As a Lagos-based day school group, it lacks the purpose-built boarding infrastructure and international pastoral systems of full boarding schools abroad.
- Independent-sector fees in Lagos, including Greensprings, are a significant cost for local salaries, and specific fee figures are not publicly itemised in a verifiable way.
- Being a multi-campus operation, academic and pastoral consistency can vary between sites, a structural reality of any multi-site school group.
- Public data on university destinations, exam results and independent inspection outcomes is limited, making outside verification of academic outcomes difficult.

## ADMISSIONS

Admission is available at multiple entry points from early years through secondary, with places offered subject to assessment and available capacity at each campus. Applications typically require previous school reports, an entrance assessment or interview, and are processed directly through the school rather than a centralised national system. Competitiveness varies by campus and year group, with popular entry years such as reception and the transition into secondary generally seeing higher demand. Families relocating to Lagos should apply well ahead of the intended start date given capacity constraints in some year groups.

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