

Goldridge College

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

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Dear Parents

The 2022 academic year finally came to a close on 18 January 2023 when we received our IGCSE results. It was indeed a happy ending as most of our students attained great results. We thank the almighty God for all our achievements.

We warmly welcome you all to the new academic year, in particular, a very warm welcome to all new pupils and parents who joined the College family this year. We look forward to successful and exciting times together, this year.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

We welcomed the following new staff members at the beginning of the year:

- Mr Munyoro (Design and Technology) who replaced Mr Ngorima
- Mr Mativone (Mathematics) who replaced Mr Chipashu
- Mr Chikukumende (Computer Science) – new post
- Mr Peterson (Sports Director) – new post

We do extend our warmest welcome and wish them a happy and successful stay.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM ONE

We sent you by email the school calendar and afternoon activities timetable for the term. All pupils also received the hard copies. However, please take note of the following important dates:

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| • Interhouse Cross-country Competitions | Wednesday, 1 February 2023 |
| • Interhouse Quiz Competitions | Wednesday, 15 February 2023 |
| • Mid Term Break | Saturday, 18 to Tuesday, 21 February 2023 |
| • Interhouse Athletics Competitions | Saturday, 4 March 2023 |
| • Open Day for Prospective Form One Parents and Pupils for 2024 | Friday, 10 March 2023 |
| • Second Fixture Free Weekend | Saturday, 11 to Sunday, 12 March 2023 |
| • Interhouse Public Speaking Competitions | Wednesday, 29 March 2023 |

CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATIONS RESULTS 2022

LOWER SECONDARY – CHECKPOINT (FORM TWO)

The Form two pupils sat for Mathematics, Science and English Language Checkpoint examinations. The best grade is 6 (six). Any student who scores 5 (five) and above is considered to have done an excellent job. The following learners scored the excellent averages for the three subjects:

	Average
• Jayden Nyarumwe	5.0
• Anopaishe Mhishi	5.1
• Judith Man'ombe	5.2
• Valerie Shoko	5.2
• Ashley Madziyire	5.4
• Kudakwashe Kaseke	5.5
• Vuyisile Nhliziyi	5.5

The report showed that a large number of our students are performing above the average international score in each of the subjects.

IGCSE/ 'O' LEVEL

Our IGCSE/O Level pass rate was 90% for those candidates who passed five subjects with C or better. 60 out of 67 learners passed.

Our best student at IGCSE / 'O' Level was Muniki Mzemba who scored 10A*. **Excellent results in a class of their own *******

The following learners also had brilliant results:

- Kudakwashe Sengweni 10As (9A*s and 1A)
- Michael Ndudzo 11As (8A*s and 3As)
- Caitlin Sithole 9As (8A*S and 1A)
- Nyasha Mundende 10As (6A*s and 4As)
- Thelma Chiumburu 9As (7A*s and 2As)
- Tasimbanashe Mupinda 8As (7A*s and 1A) 1B
- Theophilus Sibanda 9As (3A*s and 6As) 1B
- Rufaro Masiyandima 8As (6A*s and 2As)
- Dani Shumba 8As (5A*s and 3As), 2Bs 1C
- Ray Manyau 8As (4A*s and 4As), 1B
- Tanyaradzwa Mutede 8As, 2Bs

42% of our IGCSE candidates scored 5 or more As.

ADVANCED LEVEL

At Advanced level we achieved a 100% pass rate for the seventh consecutive year. Our best student was Nokutenda Gumbie who scored A*s in all the subjects (A* Mathematics, A* Physics and A* Chemistry) **Excellent performance *******

The following students also achieved very good results:

- Claviour Muchengi 2A* (Mathematics and Chemistry) and 1A (Physics)
- Victor Gore 3As (Physics, Chemistry, Biology) and 1B (Mathematics)

Congratulations, Makorokoto, Amhlophe to all our learners and parents. To borrow words from our school song, **"Like armoured knights we will shine for Goldridge our school."**

I am aware that in this world of technology there are too many distractions for our children, that may prevent them from attaining good results. But let us all continue teaching them responsibility, positive attitude, discipline, time management, diligence, staying focused and ability not to quit. Instead, they need to strive to improve all the time. To God be the Glory!!!

ONE WEEK LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE COURSE 2023 – SWITZERLAND

Following our inaugural and incredibly successful one-week leadership course to Dubai in November 2022, in partnership with the Emirates Academy of Hospitality Management, we are delighted that this year there will be a one-week Leadership Course to be held in Switzerland in August.

The program is open to all Forms One, Two and Three learners. The proposed program is given in the table below:

Day 1	Arrival and Welcome to Dinner and campus tour
Day 2	Introduction to Hospitality and Tourism Management, Team Building. Chocolate Factory tour
Day 3	Introduction to marketing and communication. Free afternoon shopping experience
Day 4	Introduction to Leadership Principles Alimentarium Tour
Day 5	Entrepreneurship Workshop Cheese factory tour
Day 6	Leadership workshop Boat cruise
Day 7	Presentation of certificates and Departure

The grand total for the educational trip is approximately UD\$3 600.00. all those interested are expected to pay a non-refundable commitment / administration fee of US\$200 in cash before Monday, 6 February 2023. Further details will be given to all those interested.

This international exposure is very important for our learners who will be leaders of tomorrow. The program will contribute to provide a well-rounded education that will make our learners true global citizens.

MAY/JUNE CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATIONS 2023

We are currently registering for the May/June 2023 Cambridge Examinations. The deadline for registration is Tuesday, 22 February 2023. Please contact the school office for further details if your child is going to sit for examinations in May/June.

REMINDERS

We kindly request you to assist the school by adopting the following:

- Clearly mark all your children's clothes for positive identification. A lot of items (school uniform) without name tags have been found and some remain unclaimed.
- School starts at 7.30 a.m. and we expect all pupils to be in school by 7.20 a.m.
- If your child is medically unfit, a doctor's certificate is needed for the child to be exempted from sporting activities.
- Make every effort to make medical appointments to be outside school hours.
- Pick up your child from school in time. Make use of the afternoon activities timetable to determine the correct time to pick up your child. On Friday, pick up your children at 1.05 p.m. There are children who are spending the whole afternoon, on Friday, at school doing nothing and that promotes indiscipline. If your child says he/she has an afternoon activity on Friday, he/she must show you the letter from the school requesting the child to attend the activity. If no letter is provided, your child will not be telling you the truth. Feel free to verify with the school.

SPORTS

We have so far fulfilled a number of sports fixtures. Below are some of the results:

Cricket

<u>First Team</u>	<u>Under 16</u>	<u>Under 15</u>	<u>Under 14</u>
Goldridge College 246 runs for 10 wickets CBC 65 runs for 10 wickets Goldridge won by 181 runs.	Goldridge College 71 runs for 10 wickets CBC 162 runs for 10 wickets CBC won by 91 runs.	Goldridge lost by 7 wickets to CBC	Goldridge College 143 runs for 2 wickets CBC 62 runs for 10 wickets Goldridge won by 81 runs.

Vs CBC

Basketball

vs MCC won 40 – 20.	vs Petra lost 19 - 53.	vs Eaglesvale lost 15 - 36.	vs Petra lost 16 – 23
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Tennis

The following Under 19 girls took part in the Tennis Ranking Tournament in Bulawayo

- ♦ **Tinokundanashe Makunzva**

She won one and lost three matches.

- ♦ **Bernice Maredza**

She won one and lost three matches

Chess

Hellenic Invitational Tournament

Goldridge College took part in the Hellenic Invitational Chess Tournament and our teams fared very well.

- ♦ Goldridge College Junior Boys came 6th out of 13 schools
- ♦ Goldridge College Junior Girls came 10th out of 10 schools
- ♦ Goldridge College Senior Girls came 3rd out of 13 schools
- ♦ Goldridge College Senior Boys came 5th out of 12 schools

Special mention to Hazel Kachikwa for being Best Player on Board number 4.

For any queries, please feel free to make an appointment to see me.

We wish you an enjoyable weekend with your children.

Yours sincerely



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HEADMASTER