

Goldridge College

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

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Dear Parents

As we draw the curtain on a remarkably vibrant and productive term, I am filled with immense pride, reflecting on the journey our students and staff have travelled together. This term has been a true testament to the spirit of excellence and determination that defines our school community.

Our students have raised our flag high across various platforms, demonstrating that hard work and discipline yield extraordinary results. Our athletes showed incredible grit and talent, securing First Place at the Zonal Athletics Meet and another first-place finish at the Kyle Invitational Meet. We also celebrate a podium finish, coming in third at the Watershed Sprint Challenge, proving our

competitive edge on the track. On the Cultural front, our Choir, Marimba, and School Band all delivered exceptional performances at the Eisteddfod, earning well-deserved Distinctions. These accolades reflect the hours of practice and the deep passion our students have for the arts. Beyond these trophies, we have seen significant progress in the classroom as students engaged deeply and meaningfully, showing a commitment to the "Success for All" philosophy we champion.

As we transition into the school holiday, the role of the parent becomes even more pivotal. While this is a time for well-earned rest, it is also a critical period for maintaining the character and discipline we cultivate here at school. I encourage you to be intentional in monitoring your children's activities while they are at home. In an increasingly digital world, being present and aware of their social interactions and online engagement is vital for their safety and emotional well-being. Structure is the scaffolding of success; encouraging your child to maintain a healthy routine, engage in light reading, and participate in family responsibilities will ensure they return next term with their focus and momentum intact.

We are grateful for your unwavering support, which remains the backbone of our success. Whether you were cheering from the stands at the athletics track or supporting from home, your partnership makes these achievements possible.

We wish you all a restful, safe, and blessed holiday break. We look forward to welcoming our learners back, ready to reach even greater heights in the coming term.

IMPORTANT DATES

Please take note of the important dates for the winter term and make your plans accordingly.

Event	Date
School Opens	Tuesday 12 May 2026
First Fixture Free Weekend	Saturday, 30 May to Sunday, 31 May 2026
Mid Term Break	Saturday, 20 to Sunday, 21 June 2026
Second Fixture Free Weekend	Saturday, 11 to Sunday, 12 July 2026
School closes	Thursday, 6 August 2026

SCHOOL HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The school administration office will be open during school holidays as follows:

- ◆ Thursday, 2 April 2026 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
- ◆ Tuesday, 7 to Friday, 10 April 2026 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
- ◆ Monday, 4 to Friday 8 May 2026 8.00 a.m to 1.00 p.m.

Thereafter, it will be the normal working hours.

HOLIDAY SCHOOL

Due to a large number of students sitting for May/June Cambridge Examinations and those in need of assistance, we will run some holiday lessons for IGCSE/ 'O' level and 'A' level from Monday 13 to Friday 24 April 2026. The subjects on offer will be as follows:

IGCSE 'O' LEVEL		'A' LEVEL	
English Language	Literature in English	Mathematics	Biology
Mathematics	Accounting	Geography	Physics
Biology	Physics	Chemistry	Economics
Chemistry	Business Studies	Accounting	Business
Computer Science	Geography	Computer Science	Literature in English
I.C.T	Commerce	History	
Food & Nutrition	Design & Tech		

Please note that the students will wear their casual clothes. We expect them to wear smart casual clothing. Parents must assist to ensure that their children are decently dressed. We will send away any child who comes to school improperly dressed. All students have been informed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. CAREER FAIR

Our Career Fair will be held on Friday, 22 May 2026. Parents and guardians are welcome to the event as well.

2. GOLF DAY

Our fundraising Gold Tournament, run by the SDC, will be held on a date to be advised at Kwekwe Golf Club. The event last year was a huge success, and we expect it to be better this year. This can only be possible with your support. The SDC needs your assistance to get sponsors, prizes, and Golf players. Please contact the school if you can offer some assistance.

For all our parents who are golfers, the playing fee is USD30.00 per player, which includes lunch and a gift bag. The Golf Tournament format is individual Stableford. Please register with the school office.

For companies and even individuals, there are two possible sponsorships as follows:

- ◆ **Gold Sponsorship** **USD200**
That will cover two golfers, two gift bags, and Multiple Hole Advertising

- ◆ **Blue Sponsorship** **USD100**
That will cover one golfer, one gift bag, and shared Hole Advertising

We also welcome sponsorship of prizes and the golf T-shirt to be won by the golfers. All companies that sponsor the golf T-shirt will have their logo on it.

3. SPONSORED WALK AND FUN DAY

Our Sponsored Walk and Fun Day is scheduled for Saturday, the 1st of August 2026. This year, SDC would like to fundraise to purchase and install motorized curtains for the Hall's main stage. Students have been given the forms, and each child is encouraged to raise at least USD\$20.00. A lost form will attract a penalty of USD\$40.00. All forms and funds must be handed in before the 1st of August 2026. Your support in this regard will be greatly appreciated.



4. CAKE SALES

The SDC will be conducting cake sales, one every month. Students are requested to bring a cake or tray of baked goodies (cupcakes, doughnuts). The schedule for this term is as follows:

May - Form Three

June - Form Four

July - Lower & Upper Sixth

SPORTS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

(a) CRICKET

At the ATS Trials held at Kyle College, the following players were selected into the Zimbabwe U18 ATS Team: Nathan Morris, Dev, Ashley Machote, and Takudzwa Kwenda.

Additionally, Emmanuel Morris and Shaun Mahachi were selected for the U16 ATS National Team set to tour East London, South Africa in August.

Our boys and girls who have been selected for the Midwest Provincial Trials. The selected players are set to travel to Harare in August for the Zimbabwe National Cricket Trials:

Shaun Mahachi (U15)	Emmanuel Morris (U17)	Michael Morris (U14)
Jody Ndhlovu (U15)	Mansvi Singh (15C)	Beverly Maredza (15G)
Vishwaben Pandya (15G)	Jayden Kudiwa (U14)	Azariah Chizengeya (U15G)

Falcon College vs Goldridge College

Team	Goldridge Score	Opponent Score	Result
U14	58 all out	Falcon U14B: 59/2	Falcon won by 8 wickets
U15 (T50)	93 all out	Falcon U15B: 275 all out	Falcon won by 182 runs
U16	98 all out	Falcon B: 187 all out	Falcon won by 89 runs
1st Team (T20)	92 all out	Falcon 3rds: 106/7	Falcon won by 14 runs
1st Team (T50)	72 all out	Falcon 3rds: 48/1	Falcon required 25 runs to win

(b) Athletics

At the NASH Inter-Zonal Championships, Zone E emerged overall winners with 29 gold medals, well ahead of the next zone with 16.

Gold Medallists

Athlete	Event
Nyashaishe Chivengwa	U16 Shot Put
Farai Dzumbira	U16 High Jump
Samuel Mahachi	U18 Triple Jump
Makanaka Makoni	U20 100m Hurdles
Kimberly Mukusha	U18 100m Hurdles
Matthew Mudavanhu	U18 Long Jump
Ropafadzo Mzondo	U18 100m, 200m, 400m, 4x400m Relay

Silver Medallists

Athlete	Event
Gregory Terera	Javelin
Thapelo Siziba	Discus
Jeremy Silubonde	Javelin
Makanaka Makoni	Triple Jump
Ashley Dube	Shot Put
Tameka Paji	Discus
Kimberly Mukusha	High Jump
David Mutibvu	Shot Put

Ropafadzo Mzondo came first in the 200m, 400m and 4 x 400m National Athletics Competitions held at Prince Edward School in Harare. He broke the 200m and 400m records. He further certified his position as the fastest male in high schools, with a 200m (21.00) that was faster than the time of Under 20s (21.16).



Interhouse Competitions - 14 March

Muonde House - 1st position

Mupani House – 2nd position

Musasa House – 3rd position



Interschool Athletics (Sprint Challenges) Competitions @ Watershed – 07 March

The team finished an impressive 3rd out of 10 schools.

Interschool Athletics Competitions @ Kyle – 21 March

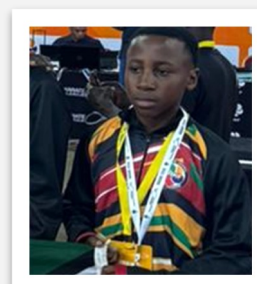
The team then produced a dominant performance at the Kyle Track & Field Invitational, finishing 1st out of 8 schools, securing 24 gold medals

(c) Golf

The golf team had a successful tournament at the CBC Golf Competition in Bulawayo, representing the school with pride. Tendekai Tauzeni won the “Nearest to the pin” award

(d) Karate

Zvikomborero Moyo won a bronze medal in the World Youth Karate competitions held in Harare in the 12 to 13 years age group under the 45 kg category.

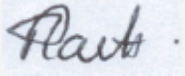


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Mufaro Mapira and Miriam Chikomo attained Honours - Outstanding for their due performance.

For any queries and suggestions, please feel free to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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R. SAUNYAMA (Mrs)

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