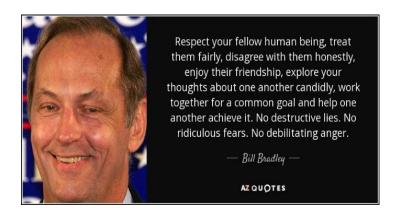




Principal's Newsletter

14th May, 2021

Dear Parents & Guardians,



A team is a group of people with different abilities, talents, experience, and backgrounds who have come together for a shared purpose.

Despite their individual differences, that common goal provides the thread that defines them as a team.

Over the last couple of weeks we have been discussing Fee issues. This is always a sensitive topic and on many occasions our emotions get the better of us. We need to take a step back and assess what are we trying to achieve is it really unreasonable. The Hillcrest vision provides us with a common goal which we need to adopt if we are to see our children succeed.

1. Fees

We have met with the SDC, the Finance and Management sub-committee to discuss Fees several times. The consensus opinion was that the Tuition Fee paid in RTGS would remain the same as per the Fee Letter from the Board Chair. However, there would be a substantial reduction in the Tuition Fee paid for in USD. Please see the Administrator or the Principal for more information.

2. Voting

It was also agreed that parents need to vote and this can be done by email or by dropping their votes into a locked box at the College reception. The keys are held by a member of the SDC. Vote counting will take place on Tuesday, 18th May at 10.00am. The count will be done by the SDC and witnessed by the Deputy Heads from the Prep School and College.

3. Inter-House Athletics Competition

Today we held our Inter-House Athletics Competition. All three Houses competed fiercely and displayed good team spirit and sportsmanship. I commend all the participants and supporters. The results will be announced next week on Wednesday, 19th May during the Principal's Assembly. I would like to thank Mrs. Chemwaita, the Head Boy's Mother, for taking the time to be our Guest of Honour.

4. Afternoon Timetable

With effect from Monday 17th May, Athletics will fall away and the afternoon timetable will focus on the Winter Sport and Clubs only.

5. Forthcoming Events/Programmes

• Common Tests - 17th May to 19th May

Travel & Tourism Civvies - 20th May
 Tackie Day - 27th May
 CrestCan Walk - 30th May

• Consultation - 3rd June – Day Scholars

4th June - Boarders

OFF MR. MUTANGADURA'S DESK

1. Grade 1, 2022 Open Day

Due to the success of this event last Friday, interested prospective parents of ECD B children enrolled at the Prep School or elsewhere must submit their applications for Grade 1, 2022 by **the 11th of June 2021** to avoid disappointment. There is a possibility of a long WAITING LIST due to overwhelming demand.

2. Consultation Dates 1st to 3rd June 2021

Please book for your appointment directly with the relevant class or subject teachers. Parents and guardians are encouraged to meet the teachers and discuss their children's progress.

3. Parking Woes

Teachers on duty feel uncomfortable to have to plead with parents to park fully in the bay before their children are allowed to board such vehicles. Please help prevent accidents and save life and limb.

4. National Institute of Allied Arts

The theme, titles etc., have been sent on class groups to parents to help discuss with their children or wards how to go about their entries.

5. Athletics Dates to Note

ECD Sports Day - 21st May
 Infants Sports Day - 27th May

Inter-House Athletics - 26th May (Field Events – Jumps & Throws)

28th May (Track Events)

6. School Tracksuit

These should have a functional zip, embroidered school logo and full length bottoms. No half-mast please. The ever popular **march past** and other events will be recorded on video.

7. Congratulations to Merit and Effort winners for this week!

Class	Merit: Name of Pupil(s)	Merit: Reason for commendation	Effort: Name of Pupil(s)	Effort: Reason for commendation
1M	D Makunyire	For a great and notable improvement in English reading.	I Chaka & K Chizondo	For applying pleasing effort in all the class work.
1T	B. Simango		Putting a lot of effort in improving her handwriting.	
2M	T. Mbendani, P. Mandowe, M. Chibaya, M. Pemhanayi		Getting everything correct in the weekly Number Test	
2R	T Dhlakama	A great improvement in Number Test.	M Gombakomba	Excellent results in zviperengo test
3C	A. Kamkazingeni	For immaculate work and good mastery of punctuation	D. Kafesu	Steady improvement in her work all round.
3M	J Mukamba	Outstanding performance in Maths Tests for the past	M Mubaiwa	For amazing improvement all round.

		2weeks. He got everything right in both tests		
4D	E Bete	For neat presentation of work	T Nyamhute	For trying her very best always
4M	M Nyamatore	Grasping Maths Fractions with ease	A Tsondai	Neat presentation of work
5N	S Sigxoza	For pleasing attainment in Maths 2.	A Nakhozwe	For his great effort in Spelling
5 S	E Mandimutsira	For marked improvement in writing.	A Madhekeni	For working extra hard to master Maths concepts.
6B	N Makoni, N Mtisi, M Mutsemi, S Chikukwa	Diligence in weekly assessments	D. Chiwambutsa, S. Makombe, M. Zivurawa	Following instructions
6C	S. Makombe, L. Matiashe	Always ready to help others.	M. Zivurawa, T. Ngirishi	Great effort in grasping Maths fractions.
7N	Z. Moyo	Improved results in all subjects.	J. Chinhamo	For a positive attitude towards his work.
7W	C. Mutama , H. Amos & N.Mudzviti	Outstanding performance in the weekly tests. Well done girls!	S. Nyamande and P. Kabungaidze	Neat presentation of work
ICT	S. Makombe, G. Kenyi 6C, A. Chikwenha;6B	Pleasing standard of work. Keep it up.	A. Munhande, D. Marume, T. Muzavazi, N.Magaire & N. Mhangara	For a wonderful ICT Assembly presentation themed TEAMWORK.
Laverock Hostel	T Mangombe	For being courteous and well-disciplined in the hostels.	C Cogburn	Putting effort to complete his homework during Prep time.
SHONA 5, 6, 7	T Chawota 5N	For Excellent presentation of work, very neat and accurate. Should keep up the work.	B Matambo 6 C.	For tremendous effort in both Homework and class work. Very encouraging.

I wish you all a restful and happy weekend. Please remain safe.

Kind regards,

ORLANDO FERNANDES

PRINCIPAL - HILLCREST SCHOOLS