



3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021

## Principal's Newsletter

Dear Parents & Guardians,

This past week has been very busy with all the Teachers and Exam Classes back on campus and trying to settle down to some face to face learning. It has also been very refreshing to hear the positive buzz of students bringing the school back to life. Now we look forward to the return of the rest of the School, Form 1 to 3 students, on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Please take note of the following;

### 1. Boarders

- There is no bus to ferry boarders to school this term. We encourage parents to bring their children to school on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September.
- All boarders are encouraged to bring a padlock and key for each of their lockers.
- As has become the norm in this COVID-19 era, all students have to complete a Health Assessment form to be presented upon their arrival at school/hostel. Please refer to the Health Assessment Form emailed to you last week.

### 2. Bus Fare & Bus Times for Day Scholars

The school will continue to offer a bus service for Town and Chikanga routes.

- Please note that the availability of seats on the bus is very limited and that the availability is on a first come first served basis. Once the buses are full, parents will be expected to make their own transport arrangements to school and back.
- The bus route and bus times are available upon payment of a fare of USD50/month. The fare is paid in hard currency – necessitated by the fact that parts and service costs are quoted in USD.

### 3. School Uniform

We revert to Summer Uniform. I cannot emphasise this enough - we expect students to be dressed appropriately and smartly to school every day. Please refer to the Uniform Policy and Hair & Grooming Rules that were emailed to you last week.

### 4. Office Hours

The school office will be **open from 10am until 2.30pm this Sunday**. The Accounts department will be strict about the time so that we remain compliant with the curfew times.

### 5. School Fees Pass

A School Fee Pass will only be issued upon receipt of a full payment of the invoiced deposit amount done in June, 2021. Please contact the Accounts Department if you have any queries.

### 6. Resumption of Sport

Please ensure that your children bring their packed sports kit with them to school every day in the event we get clearance from the Government for sport to resume next week.

### 7. Hot Lunches

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the school is unable to provide hot lunches right away as we are looking into the logistics of this service.

## 8. The Week Ahead

Please find accompanying this letter The Week Ahead. This will be sent to parents on a weekly basis while we put together the School Calendar.

## 9. College Mid-Year Examination Reports & Commendations

Be advised that the mid-year examination reports will be available on Senatical by end of day on Monday, 6 September 2021. All parents are encouraged to make use of the parent portal on Senatical and follow the progress of their children as well as downloading all reports.

I would like to commend the following students who put in tremendous effort during the Online Learning Session and have had positive feedback from their respective Subject Teachers. I have also read through their reports and they deserve a pat on the back.

### Form 1

R. Kwangware  
T. Mandonye  
M. Mautsa  
E. Mukozho  
M. Mukutirwa  
T. Munjoma  
T. Mwayera  
G. Mwondoka  
N. Rana  
J. Sanhanga

### Form 2

M. Dourado S. Dzenga  
K. Kodzanai H. Pambuka  
K. Masimba S. Sibanda  
H. Rajah K. Williams  
N. Shanga L. Tambo  
T. Muhamba  
B. Nyanhete  
K. Mugwagwa  
K. Mugwagwa  
K. Dhliwayo

### Form 3

A. Dourado P. Maswera  
G. Dourado M. Patel  
P. Jeram D. Chimbizikai  
T. Manyati D. Ngirazi  
T. Mapasure  
R. Masudze  
N. Matsaira  
J. Nayee  
V. Nyawani  
K. Soniye

### Form 4

T. Chapfunga  
K. Kapfidze  
K. Mabulala  
T. Mutsemi  
I. Ndakavambaani  
T. Nemacha  
T. Isa  
T. Makotore  
R. Mukudu

### Lower 6

R. Katsvanga S. Tapera  
W. Madhaniso  
T. Mukome  
T. Mutasa  
F. Bokosha  
C. Charangwa  
A. Dourado  
P. Mukudu  
M. Tsvakanyi

### Upper 6

E. Rebelo  
S. Truscott  
T. Chikwira  
J. Makombe  
K. Maarira  
R. Muhala  
T. Mtetwa  
I. Nayee  
M. Shoniwa

## 10. Covid-19 Vaccination

I encourage parents who have children aged 18 and above to have them vaccinated. The school will make an effort to get students, who have received the first dose only, to receive their second dose in Mutare, failure of which you will have to make your own arrangements. We can communicate with each other as the time for the second dose approaches.

Do have a restful weekend and remember to continue to observe all the Covid-19 protocols in order to remain safe and healthy.

Kind regards,



**ORLANDO FERNANDES**  
**PRINCIPAL – HILLCREST SCHOOLS**