



# Principal's Newsletter

8<sup>th</sup> April, 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians

The school holidays are upon us and during this holiday we also celebrate Easter. It has been an awesome term as we tried to reintroduce some sort of normalcy back into our lives. There was so much that was missing and it was good to see face to face learning and the many other activities, associated with life at school, taking place throughout.

## 1. HOCKEY AND RUGBY TOUR TO KRUGERSDORP IN SOUTH AFRICA

These tours have been cancelled. Given the short time left before these tour squads were due to leave, I felt there was too little time remaining to raise the balance of the monies needed.

## 2. SENATICAL

As some parents have already noticed there is an issue with Senatical, which is currently down. Yes it has to do with payments. After our application was made, delays were encountered within the banking sector with regards to subsequent documentation needed. Unfortunately, during this waiting period, the supplier switched us off.

## 3. RESULTS OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> TERM FEES VOTE COUNT

Counted and verified cast votes:

<b>Total Votes Cast</b>	-	<b>126</b>
Votes For (Agree/Yes)	-	79
Votes Against (Disagree/No)	-	42
Spoilt votes	-	5

## 4. MAY/JUNE EXAMINATIONS

Please be reminded that the Cambridge May/June Examinations start on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April. Candidates are to check their statements of Entry to ensure that they do not miss their examinations. Exams scheduled for the morning start at 0800hrs and those scheduled for the afternoon start at 1330hrs.

## 5. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER EXAMINATIONS - Payment deadlines – (see attached letter)

## 6. CONSULTATION

I would like to thank all the parents that came for consultation. I am hopeful that parents will engage their children over issues raised by their teachers during consultation. Research shows that parental involvement can free teachers to focus more on the task of teaching children. Also, by having more contact with parents, teachers learn more about students' needs and home environment, which is information they can apply toward better meeting those needs.

## 7. INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS RESULTS

1 <sup>st</sup> Position	-	Nyangani
2 <sup>nd</sup> Position	-	Chimanimani
3 <sup>rd</sup> Position	-	Bvumba

## 8. HOLIDAY TOURNAMENTS

Our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Rugby Team Teams will be taking part in the St. John's Rugby Derby Day whose aim is to bring like-minded schools and teams together for some competitive Rugby. For those parents who like to watch our rugby teams compete, the programme is as follows:

### Monday 25 April

0940hrs Hillcrest 1<sup>st</sup> Team vs. MCC

### Tuesday 26 April

1050hrs Hillcrest 2<sup>nd</sup> Team vs. MCC

### Friday 29 April

1200hrs Hillcrest 2<sup>nd</sup> Team vs. Watershed

### Saturday 30 April

1200hrs Hillcrest 1<sup>st</sup> Team vs. Watershed

**Gateway Hockey Festival** – Our boys and girls hockey 1<sup>st</sup> Teams will be participating in the Gateway Hockey Festival scheduled to run from the 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2022.

## 9. COLOURS AWARDS

The following were awarded for their contribution to sport and culture at Hillcrest:

### Marimba & Music Team Tags

Tapiwa Munyaka, Tapiwanashe Mutsemi, Tinotenda Chiguvu, Anesu Makuwatsine, Blessing Dube, Tawananyasha Mayanga, Nqabutho Ncube, Bernice Zimunya, Nokutenda Nemaire, Valerie Nyawani and Tadiwanashe Mtisi.

**Full Colour Award** – Curtis Musungo

### Senior Choir Team Tag

Tapiwa Jera, Caitlin Mutengwa, Rumbidzai Kuswatuka, Bethany Cousins, Takudzwa Madekeni, Alex Matarutse, Tanatswa Mbaiwa, Kuitakwashe Chimbetete, Lee-rose Bwanya, Farai Maminimini, Tapiwa Munyaka, Blessing Dube, Tinashe Mukono, Anesu Makuwatsine, Tanatswa Chitate, Tinotenda Chiguvu, Riana Baloyi, Panashe Maswera, Dinoville Madondo, Ruvimbo Muyambo, Kimberely Nyagondore and Tanatswa Chikotosa

**Half Colours** – Tapiwa Jera

**Full Colours** – Benhilda Rusawo & Tadiwanashe Mtisi

### Athletics Tags

Kuziwa Mukome, Ruvarashe Masudze, John Chikochi, Tapuwa Mapasure, Ruvimbo Mazungunye, Tapiwa Jera, Tanyaradzwa Murapa, Takanaka Muzamhindo, Salome Muneta, Progress Matenda Tinashe Nyamhute, Alex Mataruse, Tanatswa Chitate, Tinashe Nemacha, Delroy Chimbizikai, Benhilda Rusawo, Elizabeth Katerere, Seth Kodzanai, Callon Matsikira and Darren Tsvakirai

**Full Colours** – Tanatswa Chikotosa

**Honours Awards** – Alice Makwangudze, Panashe Nhenga & Anesu Makuwatsine

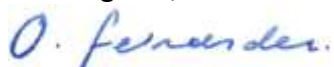
## 10. TERM DATES – TERM 2, 2022

**School starts** – Tuesday 3 May 2022 **Ends** – Thursday 4 August 2022

Beginning of Term arrangements to be sent in due course.

Do have a good weekend and remember to stay safe.

Kind regards,



**ORLANDO FERNANDES**

**PRINCIPAL – HILLCREST SCHOOLS**