



Principal's Newsletter

3rd June, 2022

Dear Parents & Guardians,

The selection of students for national teams in any team sport is a contentious issue. I have been a national selector in the past for about 8 years. I have also been a coach for many years and seen what I thought to be deserving players either selected or not.

Personally, I think there are valid points that have been made but with team sports it is truly difficult to come up with an absolutely objective selection process which everyone says is fair like what happens in individual sports e.g., Athletics, rowing, archery, etc. I am also aware there is potentially a lot at stake and hence the need to be part of the national squad (scholarships to universities).

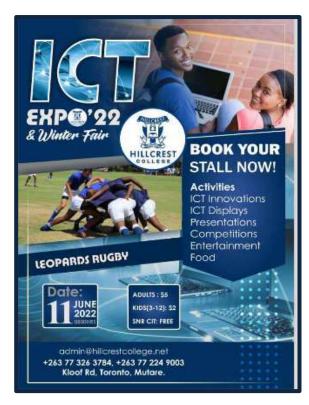
Knowing many of the selectors and coaches of the various national age-group teams for rugby I know them to be good people, competent, experienced and have a desire for the national team to excel. Whilst I am disappointed that there is no Hillcrest representative for rugby, I hope these coaches and selectors made the best choice for the country and we now need to get behind our national team to show our support.

As one of our parents said on one of the chat groups, we need to be supportive of our players and encourage them to come back stronger. In our games, going forward we need to make a statement.

1. WINTER FAIR & ICT EXPO, 2022

It's on this year! Join us for an exhilarating day of fun filled activities and the much anticipated match of Rugby against Watershed on the 11th of June, 2022.





2. HALF TERM TRANSPORT

The School will provide the Boarders with Transport to Harare and Chiredzi on Thursday 16th June and back to Mutare on Monday 20th June, 2022. The fare for a return ticket is US\$60.00 and is payable to the College office upon booking.

3. MEDICAL COVER

Upon return from Half Term, I kindly ask that all Boarder Students present valid Medical Aid Cover to the San Sister at Hostel. For those who are not on Medical Aid, the School expects that each child makes a deposit payment of US\$100.00 to the School Office which will act as a float in case of an emergency for your child. The money will be refunded if it is not used.

4. TRANSPORT & HOT LUNCHES

The charges for School Transport to and from school between Monday and Friday and Hot Lunches between Monday and Thursday have been revised with effect from the 1st of July, 2022 as follows;

Bus Fare per Month - U\$\$60.00
Hot Lunches per Month - U\$\$54.00

5. ACADEMICS

Practical Projects

Students who are doing Practical Projects will be asked to stay on Friday afternoons from 2-4pm so that they work on their projects. This will give students ample time to complete their projects at the end of this term and leave them with adequate revision time in Term 3. They will stay with effect from Friday 10th June until 8th July, 2022. The project supervisors will also stay to monitor the Students' progress. This program will affect Examination Candidates in Form 4, Lower & Upper 6 who do Design & Technology (RM & TG), Art, and Agriculture.

May Parents/ Guardians also start budgeting for the printing of the Students' projects as they are submitted to Cambridge Examination Board in the form of a portfolio.

Form 2 Great Zimbabwe Educational Trip

The Form 2 Students will depart Mutare on Sunday 5th June for Victoria Falls to visit the Great Zimbabwe monument. They will return on Monday 6th June.

6. SPORT

RESULTS

Girls' Hockey Trials

Congratulations to the following for making it into the MCD Girls' Hockey Teams.

Salome Muneta - MCD U18B

Kimberly Nyagondore - MCD U18C Goalie

Divine GwaturaGyal NdoroMCD U16BMCD U16C

Soccer Vs La Fontaine – Friday 27th May

- Girls' 1^{st} Team - Drew 1-1- Boys' 1^{st} Team - Won 5-0

Girls' Basketball Vs St Mathias

U14 & U15 Team - Lost 2 – 4
U16 Team - Won 10 – 2
1st Team - Won 36 – 6

WEEKEND FIXTURES & TRANSPORT/TRAVELLING ARRANGEMENTS

DATE	FIXTURE	DEPATURE TIME	ESTIMATED RETURN TIME
3 June, 2022	Boys' Hockey Vs Peterhouse (H)	N/A	N/A
4 June, 2022	Rugby Vs Peterhouse (A)	4.00am - Round About Trek 4.15am - Farmcrest Hostel	5.00pm - Farmcrest Hostel 5.15pm - Round About Trek
	Girls' Hockey Vs Gateway & Lomagundi in Harare	4.00am - Round About Trek 4.15am - Farmcrest Hostel	5.00pm - Farmcrest Hostel 5.15pm - Round About Trek

7. CULTURE

• Inter-House Monologues & Duologues

The results will be announced once we have held the Inter-House Drama Competition.

• Environmental Club Trip

The club will visit the Vumba Botanical Gardens on Sunday 5th June.

Hospitality Club Trip

This has been postponed from the 6th of June, 2022 to a date which will be advised in due course.

8. THE WEEK AHEAD

Please find accompanying this letter the Week Ahead.

Do have a restful and safe weekend.

Kind regards,

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PRINCIPAL – HILLCREST SCHOOLS

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