Goldridge College

NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

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Dear Parents

We warmly welcome you all to the new academic year, in particular, a very warm welcome to all new pupils and parents who joined the Goldridge family this year. We look forward to successful and exciting times together, this year. We pray that the Almighty God protects and guides us throughout the year. With the way the rain season has gone so far, it looks like a very promising year for our country

MAY/JUNE CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATIONS 2025

Registration for the May/June examinations is in progress. The deadline for registration is 14 February 2025. Please contact the school office for any further details, if your child is going to sit for the May/June examinations.

GOLDRIDGE SCHOOLS NEW STRUCTURE

In an effort to improve the operations of Goldridge Schools, there has been a strategic change in the schools' administration area. A new post of Principal for Goldridge Schools was introduced with effect from 2025. The principal is now the leader of Goldridge Schools who in broad terms:

- Will offer leadership in the promotion of a single centrally administered Goldridge institution.
- Will oversee the financial viability of Goldridge Schools, the schools' estates management, transport, hostels and all shared facilities.
- Accountable for the overall performance and conduct of teaching and non-teaching staff.
- Accountable for the overall performance and conduct of students in academic, sporting, social and spiritual spheres.
- Ensure sound resource utilisation and development for the entire institution.
- Groom and develop all senior school administration staff.
- Oversee all developmental projects and marketing of the schools.

According to the broad terms provided, the principal will work with two heads who will report to him/ her. The Heads are therefore in charge of the day-to-day operations of the schools. While the Principal will always be available for the schools, most issues for parents will be dealt with by the respective School Head.

One of the aims of the new structure is to cut costs. Changes were also made as follows:

The schools now have one schools' Accountant and one Estate Manager reporting to the Principal.

The following appointments were made by the board with effect from 2025:

- Acting Principal Mr L. Mashanda
- Acting Head (College) Mrs R. Saunyama
- Substantive Head (Primary) Ms J. Mapfumo
- Acting Schools Accountant Mrs M. Marufu
- Estates Coordinator still vacant.

It is our hope that the new administration structure will improve our Goldridge Schools and will be well supported by all stakeholders.

It remains our unwavering mission to provide the best possible education to each pupil. Please feel free to contact us on all your suggestions and queries.

CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION RESULTS 2024

Lower Secondary - Checkpoint (Form Two)

Form Two pupils sat for Mathematics, Science and English Language Checkpoint examinations that help to monitor individual and group performance. The report from Cambridge gives a comparison with the international average. The scores given show the level of attainment and below are the guidelines:

• 1 - 10	(Basic) - Such scores demonstrate limited level of understanding, knowledge and skills
	of curriculum content

- 11 20 (Aspiring) Learners may show aspects of Basic performance and good performance.
- 21 30 (Good) A good level of achievement
- 31 40 (High) Good performance and outstanding performance.
- 41 50 (Outstanding) Outstanding level of achievement.

The following pupils posted excellent averages for the three subjects:

- Craig Madziyire 48.6 out of 50
- Tawananyasha Fred 45 out of 50
- Princess Mupanga 41.6 out of 50
- Hailey Mukosera 41.6 out of 50
- Andiswa Phiri 41 out of 50
- Leonette Gazimbi 40.6 out of 50
- Ronald A. Bishi 40.6 out of 50
- Ropafadzo Mzondo 40 out of 50

IGCSE / O Level

The IGCSE /O Level pass rate was 86% for those candidates who passed five subjects with C or better. This was an improvement on the 82% pass rate attained in 2023. The best student at IGCSE/ 'O' level was Jayden Nyarumwe who scored 7A*, 1A and 2Bs. **Excellent results*******

The following learners also had good results:

Anopaishe Mhishi	5A*, 3As &2Cs
Christopher Kandira	4A*, 3As, 2Bs
Vuyisile Nhliziyo	3A*, 5As &1B
• Kudakwashe Kaseke	3A*, 5As & 2Bs
Anesu Zheke	2A*, 6As
• Judith Man'ombe	2A*, 6As & 3Bs
Ashley Madziyire	2A*, 5As, 2Bs &1C
• Anisha Zvina	2A*,4As, 1B
• Alicia Mukuvaza	1A*, 6As & 3Bs
• Perez Madzivire	1A*6As & 4Bs
• Makanaka Makoni	8As, 2Bs
Kimberly Machingura	6As & 2Bs
• Nokutenda Manjengwa	5As,3Bs & 1C
Chantell Kwatya	5As, 3Bs & 1C
Advanced Level	

Advanced Level

At Advanced level we achieved a 95% pass rate which was an improvement from 91% achieved in 2023. It remains our aim to get back to 100% pass rate.

The following students achieved very good results

•	Nyasha Mundenc	de 2A*1A
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Michael Ndudzo 2A ³	۴ıA
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- Muniki Mzemba 1A*2As
- Tadisa Chiwira 1A*,1A & 1B
- Rufaro Masiyandima 1A*,1A & 1B
- Thelma Chiumburu 2As &1B

Congratulations, Makorokoto, Amhlope to all our learners and parents. To borrow words from our school song, "Like armoured knights we will shine for Goldridge our school."

SWITZERLAND EDUCATIONAL TRIP

There will be a one-week Leadership Course to be held in Switzerland. The programme is open to all Forms One to Four learners. The respective students have been given the handouts with all relevant information. All parents interested in sending their children for the trip need to register and make necessary payments as required.

WATER PURIFICATION

The Goldridge Schools have managed to install 10 x 10 000 litre tanks to store borehole water. The borehole water from the tanks passes through a water softening plant before it is channelled to the schools for use.

We have also installed water purification units at the College, Primary school and the Hostels. The purification plants are made up of triple blue filtration, reverse osmosis, ozone generator, and ultraviolet units. We now have drinking water points labelled "Still Purified Water" where students collect their drinking water from.



The Goldridge Schools also do have a water bottling plant at Goldridge College Hall which enables the schools to package water and at times sell to the public.

SPORTS

We have had a number of fixtures and below are some of the results:

(i) **Basketball**

Under 14

School	Score	School	Score	Result
Goldridge College	6	МСС	4	Goldridge won
Goldridge College	1	Kyle College	0	Goldridge won

Under 15

School	Score	School	Score	Result
Goldridge College	26	MCC	3	Goldridge won
Goldridge College	2	Kyle College	21	Kyle won

Under 16

School	Score	School	Score	Result
Goldridge College	5	МСС	14	MCC won
Goldridge College	7	Kyle College	41	Kyle won

First Team

School	Score	School	Score	Result
Goldridge College	7	МСС	27	MCC won
Goldridge College	8	Kyle College	29	Kyle College won

(ii) Tennis vs MCC

Doubles

Overally Goldridge won 7 – 2

Singles

Goldridge won 5 – 1

(iii) Cricket vs Westridge College

Under 14 team lost by four runs Under 16 won by four wickets First team won by four wickets

Please find attached, the ATS Director's Newsletter to all ATS parents. For any queries and suggestions, please feel free to contact the Acting Head, Mrs Saunyama.

Yours sincerely

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L. Mashanda (Mr) <u>ACTING PRINCIPAL</u>