



FALCON COLLEGE

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Dear Parents,

FALCON COLLEGE END OF FIRST TERM 2008

Our term has now ended rather prematurely which is disappointing. So many pupils have spent the term working very hard to achieve certain goals, be they academic or sporting; for them not to be able to attain them is a real shame.

We will not be doing reports, but you will get a second Mark Order which should give you a good indication of how your son is getting along.

We have also had to move the Form One Consultation Day and will put it in next term's calendar.

Sadly, this week, I have had to ask two boys in Tredgold to leave the College. They were on a final warning and simply chose to ignore that warning. It is never easy asking boys to leave, but it has to be understood that we cannot keep issuing warnings and not have them heeded.

SPORT:

The Athletics' team took part in a regional cluster meeting held here at Falcon last Friday. They did very well indeed with the majority of our athletes qualifying for the Provincial Meeting. We do not know, however, when that will take place.

Our Hockey team will be playing in Potchefstroom these holidays, our Basketball boys will be playing in Durban and the Soccer team in Mafeking. We wish them all great success.

The Rugby team will take part in the Cottco Festival in the last week of the school holidays.

Tennis – Falcon 1 st team beat Convent 7-1 and Falcon 2 nd team beat Petra 3-0.

Cricket Scorers' exams: Several boys this last weekend passed the D grade scorers' exams held at the College. They were: C Nyazika, T Njanike and A Tambanewako.

Golf:

The Inter-schools' Golf competition was held at Marondera over the weekend, with teams participating from:

St. John's , Peterhouse, St. George's , Prince Edward, C.B.C., Hillcrest, Falcon.

The Falcon 'A' team of Meredith, Gait, Smith, Dube, were WINNERS of their Stableford Division and third in the overall medal competition.

H. Vaughan was tied second in the overall Medal competition and WINNER of the Stableford division.

The 'B' team was fifth in the Stableford division.

A fine effort from the lads.

ACADEMICS:

ICDL Exams –

Several boys sat and passed the powerpoint module of the ICDL exams. They were BL Mtetwa, T Chida, TM Jongwe, BJ Langley, MP Moyo, LK Sibanda and R Mudzimu.

Ndebele

The following boys got distinctions in their Ndebele Proficiency exams:

B Chikore, T Moyo, M Nare, S Sibanda and T Sibanda.

NEXT TERM:

The following dates have been set down so far. The full calendar will not be ready until the end of the holidays.

Sunday 27 April 2008	- 12.30 College opens
Thursday 1 st May 2008 - May Day	- Boys stay at School
Monday 26 May - Africa Day	- Boys stay at School
Friday 6 – Monday 9 June	- First Fixture Free weekend
Wed. 25 June – Tuesday 1 July	- Second Fixture Free weekend
Friday 18 July – Monday 21 July	- Third Fixture Free
Tuesday 5 August	- 8.00 a.m. Forms 4 – 6 Consultation Day 10.00 a.m. Term ends

CULTURE:

Our Music teacher, Mr. St. John, and the Septet, performed at a Chisipite fund raiser in Harare over the weekend. They also performed at the opening of a restaurant in Harare and by all accounts, were once again showered with great accolades.

OPEN DAY:

We had our annual Open Day last Thursday with an extremely good turnout, with nearly 200 people at the College. The day went well and many folk expressed a huge interest in the College going forward. Some very positive feedback came from Old Boys who now have sons wanting to come to the College.

PARENTS' COMMITTEE MEETING:

A meeting was held this week and planning for the "Tour de Falcon" was on the agenda. It is a good reminder for those keen to ride to dust down the old bike and get in some training!

THE E-MAIL SYSTEM:

The computers now seem to be back up and functional, which is a great relief. If there is anyone who has not had a reply to an e-mail sent, it may be because of our system being down. Please do resend those e-mails and we will get back to you.

We are looking for an **Econet Contract Line "0912"** - if anyone has one available, I would be pleased to hear from you.

By the time you receive this, we would have had our full Board Meeting, followed by Founders' Day. I will report on these next term.

I leave you with this thought:

"Goals are essential"

I really believe that without them, we rather flounder, like the cliché "the ship without a rudder". We might go a long way, but we might end up in circles too.

This is why I believe that goals are absolutely essential!

'Don Sutton'

All that remains is for me to thank you all for your support once again this term. It is vital that we get that. We will work hard these holidays at getting our cell communication system back up and functional. Exam candidates need to start focusing on their revision and working on weak areas.

Have a peaceful and restful time with your sons.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Reg W Querl". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

Reg W Querl
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