

FALCON COLLEGE



ESIGODINI - ZIMBABWE

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Headmaster's Newsletter

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the College last weekend as we hosted Peterhouse for yet another chapter in our long history of friendship and rivalry. Thank you to those who made the trip, supported your children, and provided such a positive atmosphere. The Class of 2013 Falconians were also well represented as they celebrated their 10-year reunion. It is always a great pleasure to host Peterhouse, and I am invariably humbled by the way my colleagues rally together to make such weekends a success.

The unusually mild temperatures, coupled with the worrying news that this will be an El Nino year, indicates that, after two mediocre rainy seasons, we may be in for a long, hot, dry season. Let us hope the forecasters are wrong, as they so often are.

I am pleased to report that work has begun on our second swimming pool. Our current Student numbers mean that we have four age-groups of both boys and girls practising water polo. When swimming training and our Learn To Swim programme are factored into the requirements for pool time, the need for a second facility is evident. Please keep an eye on our social media pages for updates on this development.

Recently, our Junior Parliamentarians attended the Umzingwane Constituency elections for the 2023 incoming Junior MPs and Councillors. The members were required to present speeches on the topic, *'Restoring the family for children's well-being and welfare'*. The Falcon College representatives did themselves proud and earned the following positions on the Umzingwane Constituency Board:

Michelle Matimura: Vice Chairperson

Zuvarashe Nyawata: Secretary

Andile Mhlope: Councillor

Brenda and I will be attending the annual CHISZ Heads' Conference in Victoria Falls next week. The theme of this year's Conference is ***Transformational Thinking***, and I look forward to sessions on Transformational Leadership, Transformational Parenting, Transformation through Technology, and finally discussions and presentations on our ultimate responsibility as educators - Transforming Zimbabwe. While in the Falls, we hope to meet up with former, current, and prospective Parents on Wednesday evening.

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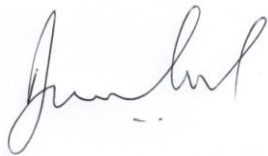


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There is understandable apprehension and uncertainty in our Country at the moment as our currency and markets continue to surprise us, yet I reassure you that we are well positioned in all areas as we knuckle down, seek to serve and develop our Community, and strive to deliver our promise to you. Your children are in a good place - well-fed, secure, educated, and motivated to reach for the stars.

Wishing you a good weekend.

Warm regards,



Dave van Wyk
HEADMASTER

“You can’t measure success if you have never failed.”

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