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END OF TERM 12023

NEWS LETTER

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Dear Parent/ Guardian

Salutations to you all.

Mother Touch Junior School (MTJS) would like to thank you all, for being so committed and supportive in all events for 2023 term 1. We are thankful to God for his grace, wisdom and guidance.

EVENTS FOR THE TERM

Meet the Teacher

Participation was at a remarkable 96%, parents and guardians showed up in their numbers to meet their teachers. This was a good platform for parents to understand the programs taking place in the school.

Sports

Inter house Athletics competitions

Our sports day was filled with so much joy and happiness. Our learners and the staff worked so hard to make the day memorable. A huge applause to them all, the event was top notch and I could feel the energy, the excitement, the joy, the togetherness and the love for all the sports. Thank you again for being there to cheer on and support these future gold medalists. Well done to the Eagle team for securing first place, it was a tight and close competition.

Inter schools Cross-country meet

Thank you once more parents for supporting the “Interschool cross-country meet” which was held on 15 February. It was such a memorable day. Mother Touch came first out of the 3 participating schools namely Kirkman and Masaisai primary schools.

Infants’ sports and family fun day

Saturday 25 March found the school full of life as we held the infants’ sports day. It was a day filled with fun as families came together to support their teams and mix and mingle. Congratulations to ECD Marimba for winning the soccer trophy after penalty shoots out.

Thanks to the great goal keepers for both teams especially the Marimba keeper Olomi Takura who was also the man of the match. A big hand to ECD Tynwald for scoping the Athletics trophy.



ECD MARIMBA (Green) VS ECD TYNWALD (Blue) FAMOUS SOCCER MATCH

NAPH Athletics Competitions



Simbarashe Mudzamiri is our best athlete for 2023. He managed to sail through to the Harare Metropolitan team for the National competitions. However, he opted not to further compete due to personal reasons.

The other outstanding performers were: Chivero Shammaih and Nestar Chikungwa (the jumpers) and the following did well in the track events. Mudhudhuzi Mandude, Chikafa Alejandra, Owen Mugadza, Tinopiwa Muzire, Cain Kabasa, Tawanda Kabasa, Nekati Makanaka and Kaseske Makanaka scooping 2nd and 3rd positions.

EPSA Athletics competitions

It was a great day for MTGS as we witnessed our team displaying their talents when they outclassed their contestants. Our great thanks to all those parents who followed us all the way to Ariel school to support us. We came 3rd position, coming after Ariel and The Grange and leading the other 2 namely Wise Owl and Mobeena. As we continue with the momentum, 2024 will be a better year for us.

Allied arts

Marimba band

A great performance from our Marimba band awarded 1st grade led by Mr Chikwaya and Mrs Shumba.

Baby choir

Our ECDs had a wonderful performance at the 'Babies' choir' competitions where they scooped a 1st grade award. Well done our babies directed by Mrs Coid.

Golf



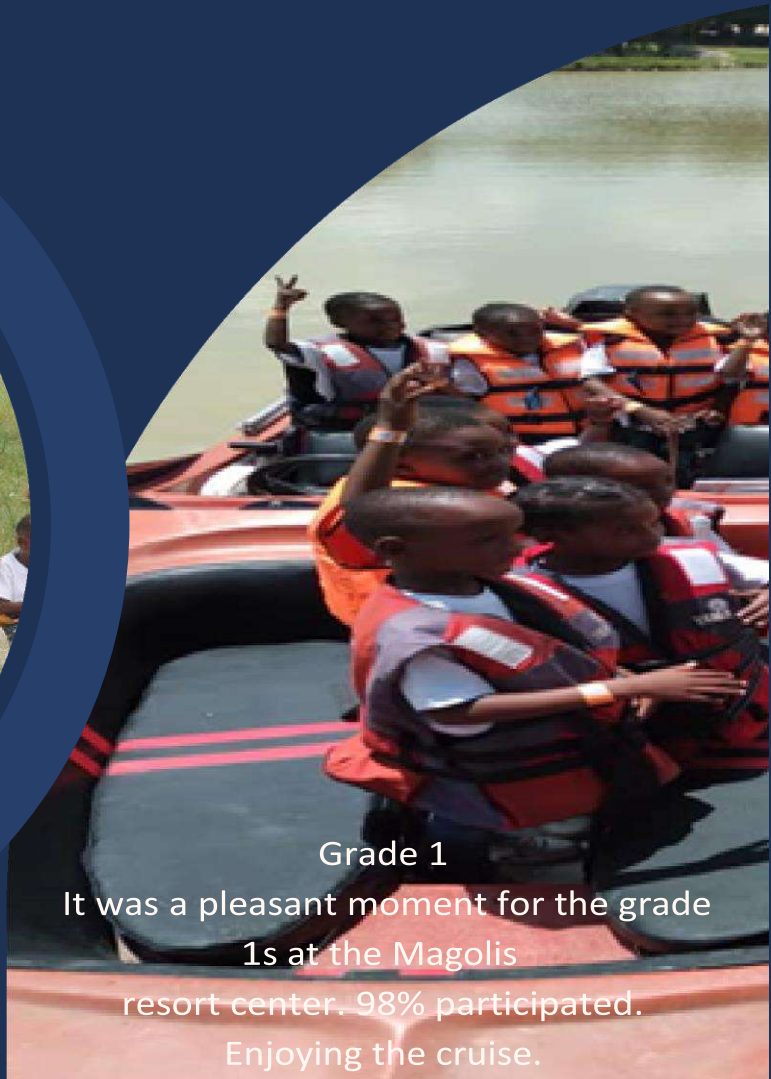
Our great bronze medalist golfer at the recent tournament, held in Harare. This is none other than Lance Mupanga our grade 2 learner. Congratulations , Makorokoto!!!!!!!!!!

Local trips

ECD A and B

These had a great day at Longchen amusement park. 97% attended and only 3 children did not participate. Thank you parents for the support.

Grade 2 Lunchtime by the dam at Haka Game Park. The trip had a 95% attendance.



Grade 1

It was a pleasant moment for the grade 1s at the Magolis resort center. 98% participated. Enjoying the cruise.

Guides

We are proud to announce that our Guides Club won the Girl Guides PRESIDENT'S SHIELD at an award ceremony held in Mutare. Well-done smart and focused ladies.



Thank you Mrs Gavaza for leading the team.

Grade 7 skills enhancement workshop

The grade 7 learners had a great time out at the Mother Touch Senior Boarding School in Selous as the term closes down. Speaker after speaker came in with life skills teachings. They also had a wonderful refreshing time as they interacted with each other enjoying ball games and swimming.

Mother Touch Selous Senior School form 1 2024 entrance tests Open day

The entrance test for form 1 2024 will be held on 3 June 2023 at Selous Senior school. Registration fee is \$50USD. Transport will be provided. On the same day, parents are invited to our Open day. The event will take place from 10am to 1pm.

Civvies

We had our exciting 3 civvies days.

1. Funny footwear, it was a hilarious day. It was laughter all over the schoolyard. Parents' innovativeness is impressive; we loved all the hilarious footwear choices. Thumbs up and keep it up.

2. Royal dressing

We had an amazing time to spend a day with our princes, princesses and of course the queens and kings.

3. Funny dressing

The final for the term left people in stitches, as it was all laughter as there were all sorts of the weird dressings. Thank you so much parents for the support and creativity.

Schools quiz

We participated in the ZBC schools quiz for the first time. Mother Touch hosted the great event. Our 2 teams A and B came out 3rd and 2nd positions respectively out of 12 schools.

Great work, thanks to Mr Kanjanda and Mr Chigande for leading the team.

Our little ones had a 6-hour fight for medals with 15 other schools in a tournament hosted by Mother Touch. MTGS of nine learners (ECD A and B) won 6 Gold and one silver medals. The learners were so confident and never

intimidated by the big audience. We are so grateful to all the parents who came to support the team and spent the whole day with us.

Our Gold medalists:

Nyanzou Calvin	ECD A
Rice Michael	ECD A
Maguchu Alaine	ECD B
Chikutye Kisha	ECD B
Musengi Nadin	ECDB
Rusike Alma	ECD B

ZIMSEC registration

Thank you for the cooperation on ZIMSEC registration for 2023 October-November Examinations. We will communicate the Examination dates to you once they are availed.

CAMBRIDGE TEXT BOOKS

Thank you for the response on Cambridge books. Each child is expected to pay for the 3 sets per grade level at a cost USD 132. Grade (1-7) make your payments for the books at the bursar's office and collect the books from the stores office.

End of term assessment

Assessments for the term were done and our learners performed to standard. Progress reports have been sent. Please check with the school Administrator if you do not receive reports by 3/04/23.

CALA

The continuous learning assessment is progressing on well. We however, encourage you to continue supporting the school to ensure we are on target and our learners finish their projects on time. We are now working towards finishing the last CALA items for grade 7 and first ones for grade 6 2023.

Scripture Union Rally

Many thanks to Mrs Gadyadza for leading the club. The whole school closed up with a powerful rally to feed the little souls before breaking for the school holiday. Upcoming Educational tours

United Kingdom (UK) tour

Registration for the UK tour is still on. MTGS learners will have yet another chance to travel to Wales for the annual musical festival and will have the opportunity to tour Wales and London. They will compete with seasoned performers in the world. Registration is already in progress. Travel tentative dates are 2 to 14 July 2023. The trip cost is estimated at USD 2 980 for almost 2 weeks.

Payment plan for those learners who intend to go for the trip is as follows:

Due date	Amount USD	
30/01	500	January
24/02	500	February
31/03	500	March
28/04	600	April
31/05	600	May
16/06	280	June
Total	2 980 USD	

This amount covers for the following:

- Air fare
- Accommodation
- Visa application
- Insurance
- Food
- Transfers, road and rail transport
- Activities
- Tour kit

Other requirements

- Ø Valid passport (at least 1 year)
- Ø 2 Passport size photos
- Ø Proof of residence
- Ø Certified copy of birth certificate
- Ø Certified copies of parents IDs
- Ø State person to sign affidavit

LOCAL EDUCATIONAL TOURS / LEADERSHIP TRAINING Please refer to the following table for your reference.

GRADE /LEVEL	DATE	DESTINATION	FEE	Deposit paid by	Due date
Grade 6 skills	02/05/23	Selous Senior school	60 USD	enhancement	
GRADE3	19-21/05/23	Great Zimbabwe	250USD		15/05/23
GRADE 4	16-18/06/23	Vic Falls (by air)	620 USD	400USD by 31/03/23	2/06/23
GRADE 5	22-24/09/23	Nyanga	270USD	170 by 31/03/23	15/09/23
GRADE 6	23-25/06/23	Kariba	270USD	170 by 31/03/23	16/06/23
GRADE 7					
LEAVERS TRIP	TBA	Mother Touch Selous senior school	30 USD	TBA	

Holiday homework

Kindly assist the child with their holiday homework. Let us ensure children develop a culture of reading. You are also encouraged to get at least one age appropriate reading book for your child which he/she/will share with other classmates as they read and exchange. Lists of the age appropriate books will be vailed to you.

Uniforms

Term 2 is winter and learners are required to put on the proper winter uniform. The school has introduced a new warm and comfortable jacket costing 35USD.

We remind parents that uniforms are available at the school. Parents should purchase the school starter pack for new learners before school opens. Please check with the list provided together with the offer letter. Only school bags and kit bags are accepted. The school will not accept any other colours for the school bags. School hats are compulsory. It is school policy for every learner should wear a school hat outside the classroom for the good wellbeing of the child.

All parents must prepare and ensure children will be in the correct, complete and clean uniforms with neat hairdos daily. Buttons for blazers must be replaced if lost (for replacement one can purchase a full set of buttons for a \$1 at the school). Note that blazers are compulsory on Assembly Days. (Mondays and Fridays) For sports, learners should have white sneakers and white socks. Wednesday is School Tracksuit day and white sneakers for everyone. Thursday is club attire day for clubs with special attire.

Communication

Our communication will come through the Newsletters and the newly introduced D6 Communicator App. You can communicate with school by calling the admin on +263773596161 or email on admin@mothertouch.ac.zw.

FEES AND LEVIES

Kindly note that according to our parents general meeting held on 1 December 2022, it was agreed that we stagger our fees 1st and 2nd term as referenced in term 3 2023 newsletter.

Please find the fees structure:

Tuition	USD
ECD A & B	620
Grades 1-7	950
Other Services	

Hot lunch for non-boarders 100

Levies

Bus Levy (once off payment new entry) 200

Desk Levy (once off payment new entry) 200

N.B

No learner will be allowed into the classroom without an express card issued by the Bursar's Office.

For inquiries and further clarification, the Bursar can be contacted on juniorschoolbursar@mothertouch.ac.zw or on 0738596161 or Head 0783590044.

For bank transfers please bring proof of payment within 48 hours after paying and ensure you collect the receipt together with the learner's admission card. A lost card requires a fee of \$1 for a replacement.

Office hours – Admin office will close for the public holidays and weekends during the school holidays only. During working days, on holiday the office is open from 8.00hrs to 14.00hrs.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, many thanks go to our parents for trusting in the great unwavering support, our teaching and us and non-teaching staff for the hard work to ensure the learning environment is conducive for excellent results. The responsible authority for provision of excellent resources for excellent learning process to take place.

Term 2 starts on 8 May 2023.

Wish you a joyful holiday with the Great Global God Fearing leaders.

Regards

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School Head