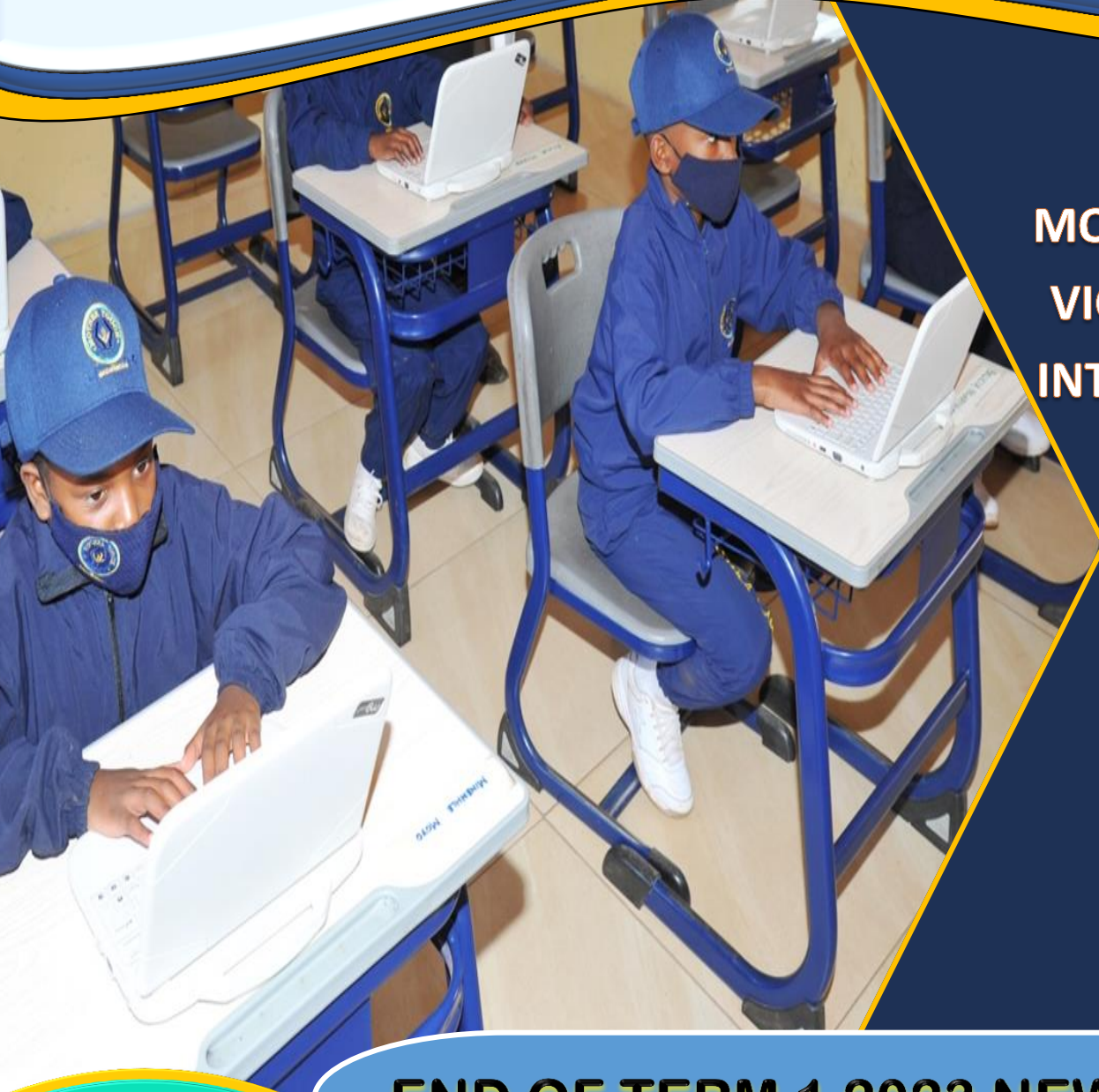




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**MOTHER TOUCH
VICTORIA FALLS
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SCHOOL**

END OF TERM 1 2023 NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parent/Guardian

Salutations to you,

Mother Touch Victoria Falls International School (MTVFIS) 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

i) MEET THE TEACHER

Participation was at a remarkable 98%, 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.

ii) EMA-EVERSHARP AWARD



The school performed exceptional well in the national cleanest school competition and came fourth in all schools in Zimbabwe. This was great achievement for the school as it was the first time to run in such competitive platforms. We were awarded a school banner and we are still running for the Prestine cleanest school and waste management competition in Victoria Falls. Your support in this regard will be greatly appreciated in form of ideas, resources and any other that you can share with us so that we win it again.

iii) SPORTS

Inter house Athletics competitions.



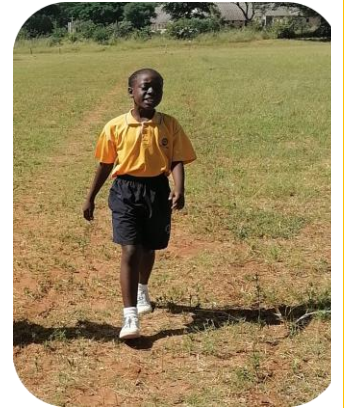
Our sports day was filled with so much joy and happiness. Our learners and the staff worked so hard to make the day memorable. A huge applause to them all, the event was top notch and I could feel the energy, excitement, joy, togetherness and love for all the sports activities. Thank you again for being there to cheer on and support these future gold medalists. Well done to the Teak team for securing first place, it was a tight and close competition and scoped an Athletics trophy. It was a day filled with fun as families came together to support their teams and mix and mingle.

Inter house Cross-country competitions.



Emmanuel Mumbure
Cross country gold medallist

Thank you once more parents for supporting the Inter house cross-country meet which was held on 11 March 2023. It was such a memorable day. All learners were given an equal opportunity to participate in the marathon competition and Emmanuel Mumbure and Maruza Tinaye emerged victorious in completing the 5 km race in 10 minutes and 29 seconds and 15 minutes 45s. The future is very bright for these young learners.



Tinaye Maruza
Cross country gold medallist

Inter schools athletics competitions



Thank you once more parents for the great support that you offered on the Inter schools competition which was held on 24th of March 2023. You sponsored us with water, tents and you went an extra

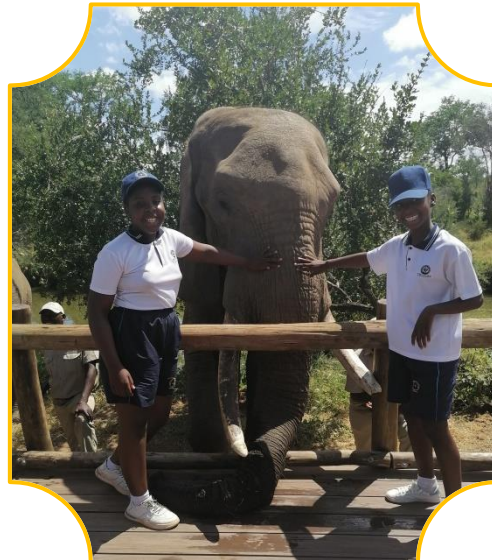
mile of assisting in officiating. It was such a memorable day. Mother Touch came second out of the four participating schools namely Amazing Kids, Angels and Happy Hearts.

iv) TRIPS ECD Trip



Learners had a great experience at the Victoria Falls International Airport and Pamusha Cruise with 100% attendance. It is the competence based curriculum demands that learners are exposed to the educational trips. Indeed it proved a crucial point that learners should be exposed to the local environment for general appreciation and provoking their creative minds.

Grade 6 Excursion



The grade six learners had an opportunity of embarking into an educational tour on the 17th of March 2023 sponsored by Wildlife Trust. They had a great interaction with big five giants (Elephants), vulture, wild pig and the rich natural environment of Victoria Falls. Speaker after speaker came in with rich environment and animal science teachings. They also had a wonderful refreshing time as they interacted with each other and the tour guides. A great lesson learnt there as the stakeholders sacrifice their time and resources to give back to the community.

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	Month
30/01	500	January
24/02	500	February
31/03	500	March
28/04	600	April
31/05	600	May

This amount covers for the following:

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

Other requirements

- ❖ Valid passport (at least 1 year)
- ❖ Proof of residence
- ❖ Certified copy of birth certificate
- ❖ State person to sign affidavit

Jabulani (Shangani) Trip

The much awaited Jabulani trip is still on and you are advised to plan accordingly. The trip is on the 28th to 30 September 2023 and pegged at USD\$250. The cutoff date for payments is set on the 14th of September 2023.

Grade 7 Local Trip

The grade 7 will be having a Hwange Safari Lodge Trip which is set on the 3rd of August 2023 and the trip fee is yet to be announced.

v) CIVVIES

We had our exciting 3 civvies days.

🎉* **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.

🎉* **Royal dressing**

We had an amazing time to spend a day with our Princes, Princesses and of course the Queens and Kings.

🎉* **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.

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.

HOLIDAY HOMEWORK

Kindly assist the learners 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 will be shared with other classmates as they read and exchange. Lists of the age appropriate books will be availed to you.

UNIFORMS

Second term falls in winter season 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 you that uniforms are available at the school. You 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 to wear a school hat outside the classroom for the good wellbeing of the child.

You must prepare and ensure that 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.

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.

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 +263774021660 or email on inforvicfalls@mothertouch.ac.zw.

Every appointment with the teacher should be done at the office and kindly note that teachers are seen as per appointment.

FEES AND LEVIES

Kindly note that according to our parents' general meeting held on 23 March 2023, it was agreed that we stagger our fees for 2nd and 3rd terms. Therefore, it will be \$850 for second term and \$950 for third term then finally \$1000 for next year 2024.

ITEM	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 1 2024
ECD	USD\$595	USD\$665	USD\$700
JUNIOR	USD\$850	USD\$950	USD\$1000

Other Services

Registration fee USD\$50

Bus Levy (once off payment new entry) USD\$100

Desk and Stationery Levy (once off payment new entry) USD\$100

Sports Levy USD\$50

N.B*

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

For inquiries and further clarification, the Bursar can be contacted on infovicfalls@mothertouch.ac.zw or on 0774021660 or Head 0772815185.

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 staff and non-teaching staff for the hard work to ensure the learning environment is conducive for excellent results as well as 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

C. Mapenzauswa (Mrs.)
Acting Deputy School Head