



**MOTHER TOUCH VICTORIA FALLS
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
TERM 2 2023**



NEWS LETTER

12 May 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

On behalf of Mother Touch International Junior School Victoria Falls, I would like to welcome you all to term 2 2023. We thank God for protecting us during the school holiday. We are hopeful that our learners had a restful break. Your cooperation in all our activities is appreciated.

We look forward to an exciting and events packed term.

THE SCHOOL TIMETABLE

Starting time: 7.30am

Home time: 3pm (Monday to Friday)

Please note that Friday afternoon has been included to ensure learners get more learning and remedial time. The ball games need more training and match days so Friday dismissal is now 3 pm just like any other days.

We encourage you to meet these times be it drop off or pick up time to ensure learners do not miss any learning time. Starting time is for early morning work and reading time and this is crucial for successful learning and development.

CAMBRIDGE

Please be advised that Mother Touch Junior School offers a rich and wide curriculum for the excellent learning and development of learners. Therefore, kindly note that Cambridge, just like ZIMSEC, is a compulsory curriculum and runs from stage 1 to stage 6. Cambridge curriculum is taught to all learners concurrently with ZIMSEC to develop an excellent learner with 21st century skills for success.

PUBLIC EXAMS and CALA

The school is working towards excellent results in both ZIMSEC and Cambridge exams. Our learners are working diligently and we are confident they will be ready for the exams when the time comes. We want to thank you parents for supporting the school and learners on CALA. We are now 95% complete and we encourage parents to keep assisting those learners who still have outstanding CALA work.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Grade 1 2024 School Readiness Assessment (27 May 2023)

The school readiness assessment for Grade 1 2024, will be held on 27 May 2023 at 09.00hrs at the school premises. Registration is currently in progress. Requirements are as follows:

1. Application fee of USD 50.00.
2. One passport size photo.
3. Certified copy of child birth certificate.
4. Certified copies of parents/guardians' IDs.
5. Proof of residence.
6. Proof of income.

All those interested in enrolling learners please take note of the following;

- ✓ For the learners in ECD B 2023 at Mother Touch Group of Schools enrolment is done between now up to 2 June 2023 and internal learners will pay \$20 USD for registration and \$50 USD for external learners.
- ✓ Any time after the due date the fee will be \$ 50USD for both internal and external learners.
- ✓ All learners are expected to be in their school uniform on the day.
- ✓ Each learner to bring a sharpened pencil. Kindly observe COVID safety procedures

Mother Touch Selous Senior School Open Day and Form 1 entrance (3 June 2023).

On this day, MTGS Selous branch will be opening its doors to prospective parents and learners so that they have a feel of the conducive, magnificent and state of art infrastructure which offers Cambridge syllabus and a wide range of sporting and vocational activities. For directions, kindly contact the office. However, those who may not be able to go to Selous will write the tests at the Victoria Falls school. Those who may need transport please book with the Admin office. For any enquiries or queries please call on 0774021660, 0719021660 or 0773596161.

Mid-Year Exams

All learners will sit for end of term exams from 18-29 July 2023.

Consultation day

All parents are invited to attend Consultation day on the date below. This is the platform to provide parents with feedback on learner's performances, for parents to assist and support the learner from home.

Date	Level	Time
13 June 2023	ECD and Junior	07:00hrs-830hrs 1500hrs -1700hrs.

Clubs/Sports

Term 2 2023 sporting calendar is heavily loaded. The term is characterised by ball games. Our Great Global God fearing leaders will be competing in Netball, Soccer, Rugby, Volleyball, Handball and Chess. Kindly note that all learners should be in clean, neat MTGS sports attire and MTGS kit bag when going out for sports. All uniforms are available at the school. As usual we bank on your great support. We will be having an iconic international friendly with Acacia Primary School in Zambia in 06 July and 3 August 2023.

TOURS AND TRIPS

Local educational trips

GRADE/LEVEL	DATE	DESTINATION	FEE (Full Payment Due date)	
GRADE 7	3-4 Aug 2023	Hwange National Park	TBA	28/07/23
GRADE 3-6	28-30 Sept 2023	Jabulani (Shangani)	250USD	16/06/23

INTERNATIONAL TOUR

United Kingdom (UK) Tour 4-14 July 2023

We are excited to announce that preparations for the tour are now at an advanced stage. We are so grateful for your support of this great trip and 25 learners from all MTGS centres have registered for the trip. Accommodation and flights have been secured and visa applications are in progress. These learners will have a true lifetime experience. Apart from the cultural competitions, learners will have a chance to tour places like Wales and London, visiting the Palace, the London Eye, Madam Tussauds to mention just but a few. We wish them a pleasant and successful tour.

WINTER UNIFORM

Winter term is here and promising to be a bit harsh. Learners should put on their winter uniform comprising of navy blue slacks, long sleeved sky blue shirts and white ankle socks for girls. Boys should put on navy blue trousers, long sleeved shirts and navy-blue knee length socks. Winter jerseys and floppy hats apply to both. Blazers with all buttons on are compulsory on Mondays and Fridays. All learners come in their tracksuits and white tennis shoes or sneakers on Wednesdays. Please note that winter uniform is compulsory and should always be neatly dressed all the time. Uniforms are available at school.

ECD Uniforms

Day	Uniform
Monday and Friday	Winter uniform/Black shoes
Tuesday and Thursday	Work suit with white tennis shoes/sneakers
Wednesday	Tracksuit with white tennis shoes/sneakers

Please kindly ensure that learners have MTGS satchels, we will not allow satchels of all colours like pink, yellow, green or any other so that we maintain school tone and excellence.

Civvies day

Date	Theme
2/6/23	African attire (Jnr)/ Funny hats (ECD)
7/7/23	Overcoats
28/7/23	Denim on denim

Please note that all learners are to pay \$3 towards these events. There will be many activities on these days. Ensure that learners come dressed in the given theme.

Siblings' day (ECDs -2 June 2023)

This is a wonderful day on which MTGS learners' ECD siblings get the chance to have a feel of the warm hospitality at Mother Touch for free. On this day, the siblings come and spend the day at the school enjoying the exciting activities lined up for the day.

Chess
The school and chess team congratulates our very own Princess Ncube who successfully represented the school and Zimbabwe in the Chess competitions in Greece. This is a great motivation to the school chess team who are having the following events;

- ✦ Crystal Chess League (Cluster Level) – 20 May 2023.
- ✦ Grand Prix Tournament (Harare) 10 -11 June 2023.
- ✦ CABS Candidate Tournament (Bulawayo) 12-15 August 2023.

Exeat weekend

Midterm break will be 29/06-04/07/2023. Please ensure weekend assignments are done properly and diligently. Lessons resume on 4 July 2023.

Go Green Outreach Program

The school Go Green club is planning to do the community outreach program to help with cleaning at the local mall at the same time increasing awareness of keeping the environment safe and clean that is 07 July 2023.

Achievers' Assemblies

We are pleased to notify you that we will be having the Achievers' assemblies on the dates below. We will be awarding the learners on their excellence display on all learning areas for that particular month.

- ❖ First assembly 16/06/23
- ❖ Second assembly 04/08/23

Elephant Interaction Excursions

We are privileged to be given an opportunity to interact with the elephants on dates yet to be advised;

1. Wild Horizon
2. Shearwaters

Homework

All learners from Grade 1 to 7 are given quality homework including reading daily. Class teachers will send you the homework timetable in the communication books. Parents are encouraged to supervise the learners' home assignments diligently to ensure the teachers' efforts are complemented and fruitful to yield the expected excellent results.

Communications which include notices, updates, newsletters, reports and homework are now on D6.

Follow the steps that were given to you on the broadcast platform to download the

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Apple App Store: <https://apps.apple.com/zw/app/d6-connect/id1133074303>

Please kindly download the app and sign up.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

On the 25th of May 2023 is a public holiday and learners will rest and come back on the following day that is Friday 26th of May 2023.

Administration Office

The Administration Office shall be open Monday to Friday from 08:00hrs to 17:00hrs. Kindly note that a deposit into the wrong account will attract 10% surcharge.

Our Contact Details

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School closes on 4 August 2023 at 10.00hrs. The school wishes all of us a wonderful term.



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