



Mother Touch Junior School



**Term 3 Opening
news letter**

8 September 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian
Greetings.

We would like to welcome all our old and new parents to the third and final term of 2023. We thank God for protecting us during the school holiday. It is our hope that the learners had a restful break. The school continues to work extremely hard to produce confident, responsible, well-rounded and grounded, Great, Global God fearing leaders. Your support enables us to attain our intended quality results in both academic and nonacademic areas.

MTGS staff

We are pleased to welcome back all our dedicated staff and special welcome to Mrs Chaira from maternity leave. She was blessed with a set of twins. Congratulations! Mrs Madembo left MTGS to further her studies, to embark on her PHD and could not balance the two. We wish her well. Mr Maneswa went abroad for personal development and the school wishes him well too. Mrs Jaramba retired this term and we send our best wishes to her on her retirement.

With this background, allow me to introduce to you the following staff members, Ms Dziro who has been in the system has taken over 1 Blue with Ms Mbanje as an assistant teacher. Mrs Zhakata remains in 1 Gold where she has already been working with Mrs Madembo.

Mr Matanki is now infants ICT teacher while Mr Mano and Mr Katedza will be taking the junior ICT lessons.

We would also like to welcome Ms Matayire and Mrs Simbi joining the team as assistant teachers. We also welcome the new student teachers from Seke Teachers' college who joined us this term.

The school Timetable

School starts at 7.30am daily and dismissal time is 3pm daily to allow learners to have more learning time.

Leadership Workshop (grade 4-6) (28-30 August 2023)

The school embarks on leadership trainings to ensure fulfilment of our mission statement of producing Great Global God fearing leaders. This was a diligently planned life-changing workshop that aimed at confidence and team building, developing diligence, assertiveness, thinking skills, personal development and other critical life skills. We thank all parents for the great support. These leaders had a great time at MTGS Selous Senior Boarding school. It was a great skills packed seminar for them. We are confident this will enable them to execute their duties as prefects in an exceptional manner.



Events for term 3

Grade 1 2024 assessment test

Please note that those who missed the 1st assessment, kindly register your interest so that the child will be assessed in the next planned date set for 28/09/2023.

Please note that this opportunity also serve for those learners who did not make it in the first round.

PUBLIC AND INTERNAL EXAMS

Our exam classes have been working diligently preparing for their final exams. We are grateful that we collaborated well with the parents and ensured that 96% of our learners attended the vacation school. After all the diligence, we are confident that the group is now ready to take the exam. Many thanks to the teachers for working tirelessly to polish up any grey areas.

Public Exam

Exam board.	Dates
ZIMSEC	25/09/2023 to 9/10/2023
CAMBRIDGE	16-20 October 2023

Best wishes to our candidates as they prepare for the exams, during the exams and in their future programs. We have planned an exciting farewell party for these leaders on 23 October at Mother Touch Selous Boarding school. Party fee is 15USD to cater for food and transport. They will have a whole day of fun.

Achievers assembly (19/10)

We will host only 1 achievers assembly this term where we recognize the achievers for the Month.

Internal end of year exam dates

Our learners will have their end of year internal exams from 1 -10 NOVEMBER 2023.

6. ECD open days

Center	Date	Time
Marimba	11/11.	9am -12pm
Tynwald	18/11.	9am-12pm

7. Family fun day 28/10/2023

Coming is yet another exciting moment for term 3 2023. We appreciate the support we got on term 2 family fun day. Greater things are coming. This time the event is bigger, better, more fun and more exciting. Lets come in our numbers and enjoy quality family time. This is a whole day event running from 9am to 4pm.

8. PRIZE GIVING DAY

We are looking forward to a huge, exciting and memorable event as we celebrate the year's achievements. This will be an activity packed day. You are all invited to come and celebrate with the school as we also award those who have shown excellence in their areas.

9. Carols by candle light, special hats and school play.

Our year will come to an end in style graced by our little ones. On 22/11 MTGS junior school will be ignited by powerful Carols by Candle lights. Looking forward to a fun filled evening as we wear fun hats and enjoy watching the school play. We look forward to a wonderful evening.

Civies and sibling days.

Give us the siblings to spend the day with their elder brothers and sisters at school on 21/09/23.

Date Dress code

21/09. Dress like your teacher

27/10 Pink day

28/11

Book theme (book to be advised)

Civvies fee is 3USD per learner. Parents are encouraged to ensure learners are in the correct dress code.

Sports and Clubs

Sporting disciplines for this term include swimming, tennis, volleyball, golf, cricket and music.

The main activity is swimming. Requirements for swimming are Mother Touch swim wear, Mother Touch drying towel, swimming cap for girls (navy blue, gold /yellow or sky blue) and instead of slippers please provide a pair of Crocs (white or blue).

We will also continue with our exciting clubs which include culinary arts, financial intelligence, Entrepreneurship, Young farmers, Guidance and counselling ,French, Girl guides and Scouts to mention just a few. These impart crucial life skills into our students.

Trips

Level	Destination	Date due	date	Cost USD
ECD A and B	Tambatese	29/09	2/11/23	30
Grade 5	Nyanga	29/09-1/10	25/09	270
Grade 4.	Vic falls	27-29/11.	31/10	620 by air 290 by road

13. Calendar of events at a glance

Event.	Date
Civvies – dress like your teacher	21/09
ZIMSEC Grade 7 exam	25/09-9/10
grade 1 assessment	28/09
Grade 5 Nyanga tour	29/09-1/10
Tamba Tese ECD tour	29/09
Tennis inter house competition	6/10
Inter house swimming gala	13/10
Cambridge stage 6 checkpoint	16-20/10
Grade 7 leavers party	20/10
Achievers assembly	19/10
Civvies –Pink day	27/10
ECD Marimba OPEN Day	11/11
ECD Tynwald OPEN day	18/11
Grade 1 and ECD Orientation day	20/11
Carols and school play	22/11
SPEECH AND PRIZE GIVING DAY and Stakeholders feedback meeting	24/11
Grade 4 trip to Vic Falls	27-29/11
School closes	1/12

Other services

Boarding and Transport

Boarding and transport places are limited and available on first come first served basis. Please contact our admin office for more information pertaining to these services.

Hot lunch facility for non-boarders

Healthy hot lunch meals to day scholars are available at a fee of 100 USD for the term. Places are very limited and are given on a first come first served basis.

Dress code

In this summer season please ensure learners always put on their school hats for health purposes. Blazers are compulsory on Fridays for assembly. The summer uniforms are available at the school. Parents are encouraged to ensure that learners have correct and clean sports attire at all times Every Wednesday learners wear correct and clean MTGS tracksuit with white school school t/shirt and white footwear.

Proof of payment to the school within 24 hours so that we may issue you with a receipt and update the student's account. Also, note that a deposit into the wrong account will attract 10% surcharge while a refund initiated by the parent attracts 20% surcharge and admin fee.

Communication

We would like to advise our parents that our D6 communication platform is now up and running. Please note that the school will use D6 and emails but at times use bulk SMSs for urgent notices. Currently all ECD to grade 1 parents can access this platform. If facing challenges please contact the ICT team on 0773596161.

Payments office hours

The Bursar's Office opens on Monday to Friday from 08:00hrs to 15:00hrs. For all the uniforms issues, Stores will be open on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays between 08:00hrs – 15:30hrs.

Fees paid in RTGS will be reviewed from time to time. Hence, parents are encouraged to check with the bursar before making RTGS payments. Please note that once you make an RTGS payment at the bank, you must bring

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Banking details

RTGS Account

Bank: CBZ
Branch: Selous
Account Name: Mother Touch School
Account Number: 1123814680015

NOSTRO Account

Bank: CBZ
Branch: Selous
Account Name: Mother Touch School
Account Number: 11123814680022

Our Contact Details

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Term 3 ends on 1 December 2023 at 1000hrs.

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Head

