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Dear Parents/Guardians

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you parents and guardians to Second Term of 2024. I hope and trust that you had quality time with your children over the long holidays. The children look refreshed and show they are ready to tackle the long and busy second term.

Second term is packed with lots of sporting, cultural and academic activities which culminate in the writing of Mid—Year exams in July. The staff at Goldridge Primary School have recharged their batteries and are ready to tackle second term head on. It is my hope that you as well, will reciprocate their efforts by working hand in glove with the teachers in order for the pupils to achieve their full potential.

A very special welcome to the new parents and guardians. Thank you for choosing Goldridge Primary as your school of choice. I wish the new parents an enjoyable and rewarding stay at Goldridge.

This winter promises to be a very harsh one. We therefore need to brace up for a very cold season. Please parents do ensure that the pupils are warmly clad this winter. We have anoraks and jerseys at the office.

On a sad note, Mr Mashoko the bursar will be leaving Goldridge at the end of May 2024. We wish him the best in his future endeavours, and we thank him for his services. We warmly welcome Mrs Marufu from the Goldridge College who will be replacing Mr Mashoko and wish her a

productive and enjoyable stay at Goldridge Primary School.

A big thank you to the parents/guardians, who met their obligation of paying ALL fees. We really need the financial resources to deliver quality education to the children.

I look forward to your unwavering support and I wish you an enjoyable and successful second term.

God bless.

Mrs M. Bera

UPPER SCHOOL REPORTS

2024 GRADE 7 CHISZ EXAMS

These are on the 6th of July 2024 and there is very little time left. Teachers are busy preparing for this exam, and it is my wish that you help your child as much as you can.

PUNCTUALITY

This term children will be very hesitant to rise up from their warm beds. Parents/guardians we need to observe punctuality. The starting time has not changed, it's still 7.30am. Children should be at school 15 minutes prior to the starting time 7.30am.

READING

A very crucial area in the child's learning process. Reading is a daily activity and teachers need your

assistance in this area very much. Please sign to show that the child has done his / her reading.

HOMEWORK

Homework is a daily activity. Please ensure that you assist your child with his/ her homework and indicate by signing. The homework diary is a communication tool for the parent and the teacher. Do not hesitate to utilize it. Insist that your child copies rules and work layout into the Rules Book so as to help you with homework.

UNIFORMS

This term promises to be a very cold one. Could you ensure that children are warmly dressed when coming to school. Children should desist from wearing house t-shirts under their school uniform. Jerseys are a **MUST** this term. These are sold at the office.

CLEANLINESS

Could you please ensure that the children's clothes are clean and neat always. The clothes should be clearly marked and shoes polished daily. The boys' heads to be clean shaven or kept very short. Girls' hair to be neatly plaited or kept short. Long hair to be tied at the back. Only Goldridge blue and white scrunches are permissible. No extension or braids on girls, only plaited hair.

CLASS EXCURSIONS

Herewith the term's educational trips, destinations and dates.

- 7th June 2024 Grade 2 trip to Mukuvisi Woodlands and Tamba Tamba
- 22 – 26 July 2024 Grade 6 trip to Jabulani Safaris
- 4 - 7 July 2024 Grade 5 trip to Kariba

HEALTH TIP— EXERCISE BENEFITS PRESCHOOLERS' MINDS AND BODIES

One extremely important aspect of a pre-schooler's life is spending a couple of hours

outside each day, reports the September 2008 New York Times. Quality exercise time helps the child to strengthen his muscles and guard against obesity. Not only that, but it also is important in mental development— helping the child to develop language and social skills, and will help to spark the child's creative, imagination and thinking powers. John F. Kennedy once said, "Physical fitness is not only one of the most important keys to a healthy body, but it is also the basis of dynamic and creative intellectual activity".

INTERHOUSE SPELLATHON

Thanks to the parents who helped their children master their words. The competition is on the 17th of May 2024 and your presence and support will be much appreciated.

AFRICA DAY COMMEMORATIONS 31st MAY 2024

Last year was a marvel! We plan to make it bigger and better this year. Come and join us for a fun— filled morning. The learners should come dressed in African attires and there will be a competition for Mr and Miss Goldridge Africa. Let's prepare adequately for this special day.

CLUBS

All the clubs are on Wednesdays and each learner is expected to attend to their last term's club. It is mandatory.

COMMUNICATION

Let us communicate and work together for the benefit of the child. Our focus at Goldridge Primary School is to produce a total child and we aim at excellence in whatever we do. Please feel free to contact the office and make an appointment should any pertinent issues arise.

I wish you a pleasant, productive and enjoyable term.

INFANTS DEPARTMENT

I would like to welcome you all to the second term of the year 2024. The learners are so excited to be back at school after a long and restful holiday. Winter is upon us, please ensure that the learners are wearing warm clothes all the time.

The Infants and Nurse school learners are looking forward to have a Pyjama Day this term on the 13th of June 2024. The funds raised will go towards our Infants play and concert.

The Nursery school will also have their Grandparents' day on the 26th of July 2024. Africa Day celebrations will be held this year. Learners should come dressed in African attire and there will be a competition for Mr & Miss Goldridge Africa. I would like to thank you parents for your support.

Wishing you all the best in their school activities. Thank you, parents, and guardians, for your support.

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

SPORTS BLITZ

This term we will be having ball games. Please encourage your child to participate in various sports on offer. This helps with their development, good health and a healthy mind. Let us all help the child to balance sports and academics as we strive to mould a holistic child.

Sports Attire

- **Navy blue shorts and house colour t shirt**

- **White socks (long)**
- **White Tackies**
- **School tracksuit and travelling t-shirt (splash)**

NB: Tog bags are a MUST for storage of sports attire.

During the Easter holiday we had some of our students taking part in various sports disciplines around Zimbabwe and Botswana. Anesu Chiunda won a bronze medal in Kumite, while Brooklyn Bangidza won silver in Kumite and Gold medal and trophy in Kata at The Gabarone Open Karate Championships.

Sasha Mutatu won a bronze medal, Aisha Takaendesa silver medal and Kiara Ndhlovu a gold medal in the red ball girls category, at The Midlands Tennis Open held in Gweru.

In the Harare Metropolitan Tennis Open Sasha Mutatu won Bronze and Kiara Ndhlovu Silver in the red ball girls category. Well done to our students for flying the Goldridge flag high.