

Dear Parents/Guardians

I am delighted to warmly welcome you to third term of 2024. I sincerely thank the good Lord for taking great care of us during the holidays. I hope and trust that you enjoyed your children during the school break. A special welcome to the new families who joined Goldridge family this term.

It has been wonderful to welcome our students to school this week and catching up with them on their many adventures during the holiday.

Third term is packed with activities as we round up the year 2024. We have the Grade 4 Matabeleland Tour, the destressing Vic Falls trip for Grade 7s after the Zimsec Exams, and the ECD trip to the Eye for the Wild. I urge you parents to ensure that your children go on these trips as they are compulsory. These educational trips are designed to broaden the child's outlook, therefore enabling him/her to learn through practical approaches. As a school, we do our best to negotiate down the cost with the institutions we visit.

Sponsored walk money should be submitted to the Accounts office through the teachers. For a lost form, parents pay \$30, 00. The date for Sponsored Walk & Fun Day is now the 26th of October 2024.

We are thrilled to celebrate Goldridge Primary School's 40th Anniversary! For four decades, we have nurtured young minds, fostered excellence in both academics and personal growth. This milestone is a tribute to the dedication of our students, staff and parents.

To mark this a special day, we have planned exciting events, including a grand celebration day and a Family Fun Day. Join us as we honour our history and look forward to a bright future.

Stay tuned in for more details, we can't wait to celebrate with you.

I now take this opportunity to wish you ALL a very good term and look forward to your usual unwavering support.

Regards

Mrs M. Bera

INFANTS DEPARTMENT

It's amazing how time flies, already we are in the third term of 2024. We hope you had a relaxing and wonderful break. The Nursery School is preparing for their trip to 'An Eye for the Wild' along Mvuma road here in Kwekwe. Their trip will be on the 27th of September 2024.

The Nursery school will also have their Graduation and Concert/Play this term towards the end of the year. The infants (i.e. grade ones and twos) will have their end of year drama.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

UPPER SCHOOL REPORTS:

CLEANLINESS

Parents/Guardians, please ensure that children's clothes are clean and neat ALL THE TIME. Clothes should be clearly marked, and shoes polished. The boys should keep short hair or have their heads clean shaven. Girls' hair should be neatly plaited or kept very short. Long hair to be tied at the back. Only Goldridge blue, black and white scrunchies are permissible.

ZIMSEC EXAMS

These commence on the 23rd of September and end on the 7th of October 2024. Due to limited time, all Grade 7s will not do Clubs on Wednesdays but engage in extra work in preparation for exams.

HEALTH ISSUES

One common adage says, "The groundwork of all happiness is health." Therefore, your best form of wealth is your health.

It is imperative to pack bottles of clean, cold water to rehydrate children's busy bodies during this hot term.

PUNCTUALITY

This marks a positive start to the school day. School commences at 7.30am and children are to be at school no later than 7.15am.

STATIONERY

Ensure that your child has all the required supplies as this lessens borrowing from other pupils – which is a bad practice.

HOMEWORK AND READING

It is of utmost importance, and all parents are urged to take a keen interest in their child's work. This helps reinforce taught concepts and builds confidence, mastery and such a noble role shouldn't be wished away. Reading is the cornerstone of all learning and is therefore a daily activity.

UNIFORMS AND SPORTS KIT

Both school uniforms and sports kits should be clearly labelled to avoid losing items during sporting time.

3RD TERM EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

- Grade 4 will be going on the Matabeleland/City of Kings Tour on the 27th – 30th of October 2024.
- Grade 7 "Destressing Tour" takes them to Victoria
 Falls via Hwange National Park. This will be
 after the National Exams i.e Zimsec on the 10th
 - 14th November 2024.

SUMMER UNIFORM

GIRLS

Blue checked dress—available at school
Black shoes with Short white socks
Goldridge School Hat—available at School
Goldridge Royal Blue Jersey (if cool) - available at school.

BOYS

Blue shorts

Blue shirt

Black shoes with Long Grey socks
Goldridge School Hat—available at School
Goldridge Royal Blue Jersey (if cool) - available at school.

SPORTS DEPARTMENT

Welcome to 3rd term. Cricket, Swimming and Tennis are the main sports on offer this term.

Swimming is compulsory, except when there is a doctor's letter/certificate of exemption. Black swimming costumes and trunks to be worn during swimming. Girls are required to wear swimming caps.

House colour towels are available at the office. **Any other towel will not be acceptable.**

Please remember to check our calendar and afternoon activities timetable as this will minimise the number of children visiting the office to make calls for left sports kit and equipment.