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FALCON COLLEGE - HALF TERM NEWSLETTER 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we reach the Half Term break, we would like to thank you for your continued support of all aspects of life at Falcon, including academics, sport, culture, and personal development. It has been an energizing and productive start to the year, and we are delighted to share some key highlights below. I am sure our Form One parents are especially excited to see their children and will no doubt be treated to a few wide-eyed and colourful stories from their first weeks at Falcon.

NOTICES

Winter Sports & Athletics Season

After Half Term, we move into Athletics and our full Winter Sports Programme. Please ensure students return with the correct equipment:

- Hockey sticks, turf shoes, and gum guards.
- Padding and shin guards.
- Rugby and soccer boots.
- Required shorts, shirts, and socks. *Your support ensures our boys and girls are fully prepared.*

Student Grooming

We have noticed an increase in students pushing the boundaries with hairstyles. Please support us in ensuring students return with school-appropriate haircuts and styles.

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Attendance Matters

Every school day is essential for academic progress. We kindly ask parents to avoid early departures or weekday absences. Your cooperation helps us maximize teaching time, which benefits your children.

ACADEMICS

On Wednesday, we held our Academic Awards Assembly, celebrating our top scholars based on 2025 results.

Highest Honour

- Isabella Aust: Achieved 4 A's at AS Level, receiving the prestigious Higher Scholarship Academic Honours.

We commend all our hard-working students who continue to uphold Falcon's academic excellence.

CULTURE

Our major production of 2026, **The Greatest Showman**, is well underway.

- This year, we are bringing the production home to Falcon.
- There will be two shows, with the finale on Friday night of Founders Weekend.
- Tickets will go on sale shortly; don't miss out on this spectacular performance showcasing our students' talent and dedication.

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DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Significant developments continue around the College:

- **Staff Housing:** Construction of three new staff houses is progressing well.
- **Oval Field:** Phase One of the extension is underway—grass planting begins next week.
- **Gym:** The gym office and physio room are now being built. New gym equipment is expected to arrive in April.
- **Academic Infrastructure:** Early discussions for a new Science Block have begun, reflecting our long-term investment in our facilities.

SPORTS

Falcon teams continue to make us proud:

- **Basketball:** The U17 side travelled to Johannesburg last week, and the 1st Team is currently touring South Africa.
- **Water Polo:** Next week, our 1st Team Boys' and Girls' Water Polo teams travel to South Africa to compete in the prestigious Reef Cup Invitational Tournament.

INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES & ACHIEVEMENTS

We are proud to recognise outstanding individual achievements across disciplines:

Mountain Biking (Marondera Inter-Schools)

- Christiaan Raath: 1st place
- Keep Masimba: 2nd place

Public Speaking

- Musawenkosi Gwizi: 2nd place (Intermediate Section, vs Dominican Convent)

Lomagundi Cross Country

- Jodie Anderson: Winner of the Senior event
- Johan Lindeque: Winner of the Junior event

Cricket Highlight

- Christopher Thomas: Scored the first century of the season (2nd XI)

Swimming

- **Falcon Girls**: Won the Stirling Cup for individual points.
- **Relays:** 2nd in relays (Davis Shield).
- **Overall:** Crowned 2026 Matabeleland Shield Champions.

Tennis (Kyle College Fixture)

- U16 Girls: 1st place

Water Polo

- **U15 Girls:** 2nd place (Warwick Smith Trophy).
- **U14 Boys:** 1st place, winners of the CBC Invitational Tournament.

Congratulations to all our top performers.

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Junior School Cricket and Tennis Festival

Falcon College hosted the Junior School Cricket and Tennis tournament, and we would like to thank all those schools who joined us:

Carmel School, Hartmann House Preparatory School, Kyle Preparatory School, Lilfordia School, Petra Primary School, Ruzawi School, Springvale House, St. John's Preparatory School, St. Thomas Aquinas Primary School, Victoria Falls Primary School, Wellton Primary School and Whitestone School.

Staff

We would like to welcome Sean Williams to Falcon College. Sean has joined us as the Technical Director for Cricket.

We wish all families a restful and enjoyable Half Term. We look forward to welcoming students back refreshed and ready for the busy second half of term.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For Reference Only)

MESSAGE FROM ATS – TIM MIDDLETON (CEO)

It has been well reported in the press that the ATS schools' Heads and Chairs were summoned to Harare to be addressed at length on Thursday by the Honourable Minister of Primary and Secondary Education, Dr. T. Moyo, regarding several matters, foremost amongst them being the requirement for all schools in Zimbabwe to follow the Heritage-Based Curriculum.

While it was noted that schools may continue to offer a blended curriculum, incorporating Cambridge as well, ATS wishes to reassure all parents of the following:

ATS will continue to engage with the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education on these matters, and on all other directives that were communicated — not only to ATS but to all 2,000+ independent schools in Zimbabwe, most of whom were not present at the meeting yet are equally required to comply.

We remain committed to ensuring that ATS schools continue to deliver the relevant (both locally and internationally), high-quality, holistic education that parents expect and that proudly stands as a benchmark of Zimbabwean education worldwide.

The future of our children remains our top priority — nothing else.

Thank you,
Tim Middleton ***Executive Director, ATS (on behalf of ATS & CHISZ)***

Higher Scholarship HONOURS



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JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIPS (Forms 1 to 3 in 2025)





U17 Basketball Tour to St Stithians College



Sean Williams
Technical Director of Cricket at Falcon College

Lomagundi College Invitational Cross Country

Winners of their age groups



J Anderson



J Lindeque




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Cottage


Blood donation





















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