FALCON COLLEGE

VICTUR AD ASTRA

ESIGODINI - ZIMBABWE

FALCON COLLEGE

Term 3 – Newsletter 01 September 2026

As we move through another busy and rewarding term, I continue to be inspired by the commitment, character, and achievements of Falcon students and staff. Whether in the classroom, on the sports field, on the cultural stage, or in service to others, our young people continue to demonstrate the values upon which Falcon College was founded.

This newsletter highlights some of the outstanding achievements from recent weeks, provides an update on developments around the College, and shares important information regarding Heritage-Based Curriculum (HBC) requirements for our families.

Welcome and Farewell

Welcome to Falcon College

We extend a very warm Falcon welcome to Gregg and Suzanne Robinson as they join the Falcon family. We are delighted to have them as part of our community and look forward to the experience, energy, and commitment they will bring to the College.

Thank You, John McTaggart

At the same time, we bid farewell to John McTaggart. John has been a tremendous contributor to Falcon College and has played a significant role in the development and growth of the school over many years. His dedication to improving the College, his unwavering support of Falcon's vision, and his generosity towards the school community have been remarkable.

John has always been generous to a fault, giving freely of his time, wisdom, and resources for the benefit of students and staff alike. On behalf of the Falcon Tribe, we extend our sincere gratitude and wish him every success and happiness in the future.

College Development Update

We are pleased to report continued progress across several key development projects on campus.

- The Oates L6 block has been refurbished.
- The Head of House residence for Kestrels House is nearing completion.
- Staff housing improvements and refurbishment projects continue.
- General infrastructure upgrades across the College remain on schedule and form part of our long-term vision of ensuring Falcon remains one of Africa's leading independent boarding schools.

These developments would not be possible without the support of our parents, Old Falconians, donors, and the wider Falcon community.

Heritage-Based Curriculum (HBC) Update

Parents will be aware of the ongoing discussions regarding the implementation of the Heritage-Based Curriculum (HBC) within Zimbabwe.

The Association of Trust Schools (ATS) recently met with the Honourable Minister of Primary and Secondary Education to discuss the implementation of the Heritage-Based Curriculum (HBC). Current discussions indicate that Students may be required to study a local vernacular language up to Form Four, together with either Heritage Studies or History of Zimbabwe, while continuing with the Cambridge curriculum. The proposed arrangement would see these subjects examined locally and graded by Cambridge, with results appearing on the same certificate. It is important to note that discussions are still ongoing and no final position has yet been communicated. We will continue to engage with the relevant stakeholders and will provide parents with a clear update once the final requirements and implementation details have been confirmed.

Notices to Parents

As we approach the half-term break, I would like to remind all students and parents of the importance of returning to school in full compliance with College standards.

Uniform and Appearance
Please ensure that students return after half-term:

- With haircuts that comply fully with College regulations.
- With all uniform items complete, correctly fitted, and clearly labelled.
- With appropriate footwear and sporting equipment where required.

These expectations are not simply about appearance. They reflect self-respect, attention to detail, and pride in who we are.

Best Wishes to Our Examination Candidates
We extend our very best wishes to all students preparing for forthcoming public and internal examinations. May your efforts reward you over the next few weeks.

Harare Meet and Greet

Thank you to all our Prospective parents who attended our Meet and Greet. The evening provided a valuable opportunity to build relationships, share our vision for Falcon College, and discuss the exciting developments taking place at the school. Your support, feedback, and interest in the College are deeply appreciated.

Botswana Visits

We would also like to express our sincere gratitude to our Falcon families in Francistown and Maun for the hospitality shown to members of our marketing team during their recent visit. The warmth, generosity, and pride displayed by our Botswana families is a reflection of the strength of the Falcon community beyond our campus.

We now look forward to meeting with our Zambian parents during the forthcoming half-term and continuing to strengthen the connections that make Falcon such a special regional Tribe.

Campus Security

The College has recently appointed a new security company, Secutor Solutions (Pvt) Ltd, to oversee security operations on campus. This change forms part of our ongoing commitment to maintaining a safe, secure, and well-managed environment for students, staff, and visitors. The transition has been smooth, and we look forward to working closely with the new team as they become integrated into the Falcon community.

Highlights for the Second Half of Term

Speech Day 2026

One of the most important events on the Falcon calendar is our forthcoming Speech Day, where we celebrate achievement, service, leadership, and the many accomplishments of our students throughout the year.

We are honoured to welcome Dr Stuart W. Jamieson as our Guest of Honour, together with his daughters. Dr Jamieson is one of Falcon College's most distinguished Old Falconians, having attended the College between 1961 and 1963. He has remained a loyal supporter of the school throughout his life and is currently contributing to funding the education of six Falcon students, one from each year group.

About Dr Stuart Jamieson

Raised in Zimbabwe and educated at Falcon College, Dr Jamieson went on to study medicine in London before establishing himself as one of the world's leading

cardiothoracic surgeons. His achievements in medicine, together with his ongoing commitment to education and opportunity for young Zimbabweans, represent the very best of what Falcon seeks to develop in its students. We look forward to welcoming Dr Jamieson and his family back to Falcon College and thank him for his extraordinary service and generosity towards the school.

Celebrating Excellence

The past few weeks have seen Falcon students achieve exceptional success across a range of disciplines. Among the highlights are several performances deserving of special recognition.

International Sporting Excellence

Lola Accorsi - Water Polo

A special congratulations to Lola Accorsi, who represented Zimbabwe at the World Championships in Croatia. Lola finished as Zimbabwe's leading goal scorer, ranked amongst the tournament's top international scorers, and earned a Player of the Match award against the Czech Republic.

This is an outstanding achievement and a testament to her commitment and perseverance.

National Representation

Water Polo

Congratulations to the following students on their selection for Zimbabwe U19 teams:

Zimbabwe U19 Boys

- T. Harris
- B. Honiball

Zimbabwe U19 Girls

- T. Small
- Il. Afzal
- Im. Afzal

Cricket

Congratulations to Langa Mangezi on her selection to the Zimbabwe U15 Girls' Cricket Squad.

Continental Success

Swimming

At the Africa Aquatic Swimming Championships Zone IV in Botswana:

- Acacia Watson won 1 Gold and 2 Silver Medals
- Ocean Armstrong won 2 Silver Medals

These achievements place them among the region's leading young swimmers and reflect the strength of our swimming programme.

Tournament Champions and Outstanding Individuals

Girls Hockey

Congratulations to the Falcon Girls Hockey Team, winners of the Golden Girls Tournament. Special recognition goes to Jodie Anderson, who was named Player of the Tournament.

Boys Hockey

The Falcon Boys Hockey Team finished as runners-up at the prestigious Super 12 Tournament, an excellent achievement against strong opposition.

Squash

Outstanding performances from our squash programme included:

- Girls B Team: 1st Place at the Interschools Competition
- Girls A Team: Runners-Up
- Boys B Team: Runners-Up

Public Speaking

Congratulations to Gabriel Marumahoko, who was ranked 5th Best Speaker from a field of 18 competitors at the St John's Public Speaking Tournament.

Looking Ahead

The term continues to offer many exciting opportunities for students through inter-house events, tours, academic competitions, and cultural activities.

We wish our teams currently on tour, as well as those preparing for upcoming competitions, every success. Most importantly, we thank our students for representing Falcon College with pride, integrity, and determination.

Falcon College continues to grow not only through its facilities and achievements, but through the character and spirit of its people.

ANNEXE A

Full Activities and Achievement Round-Up

Chess

- Senior Open Team: 6th out of 11 teams at the St George's Tournament.
- Junior Open Team A: 11th out of 17 teams.
- Junior Open Team B: 14th out of 17 teams.

Model United Nations

- Nine delegates represented Falcon College at the St John's MUN Conference.
- Students demonstrated excellent research, diplomacy, negotiation, and public speaking skills.

Public Speaking

- Falcon placed 9th out of 19 schools.
- Team members: Immanuel Ndlovu, Benjamin Mwango, Christiana Mhondera, Suwilanji Nachula, and Gabriel Marumahoko.

Soccer

- Five U16 players selected for CHIZ:
    - Manqoba Maphosa
    - Gamelihle Dlamini
    - Eugene Ndlovu
    - Presley Muponda
    - Troy Sigauke

- MCC League individual awards:
    - Haileycolin Mlangeni
    - Bradley Morton
    - Matipamufaro Mudzamiri

Squash

- Two senior girls finished 5th and 7th respectively at the Matabeleland Ladies Singles Open.

Cricket

- St John's T20 Tournament:
  - Leo Clarkson: 3rd Ranked Bowler
  - Merrick Reed: 10th Ranked Batsman
  - Luke Rosenfels: 6th Ranked Fielder

Karate

- Limpopo Championships Gold Medalists:
  - Tiaan van der Merwe
  - Khanyisile Chiwara

- Additional silver and bronze medals were won across multiple categories.

Inter-House Activities

- Strong participation in Touch Rugby and Cricket.
- Upcoming Inter-House events:
  - Water Polo
  - Swimming
  - Basketball

Tours

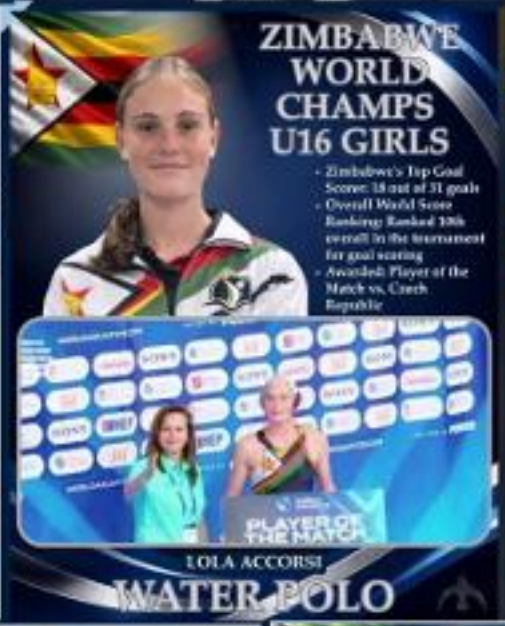
- U15 Basketball Team touring St Benedict's.
- U14 Boys and Girls Water Polo Teams preparing for St Stithians tour.


Welcome to
Gregg & Suzanne Robinson

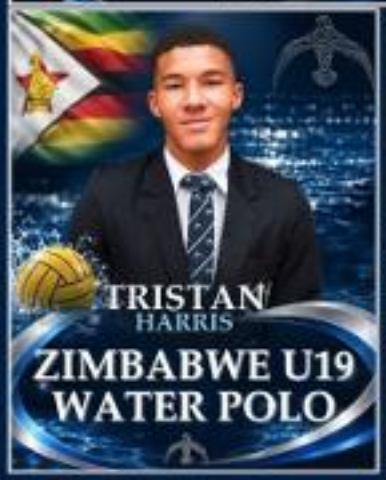

Thank you to
John Mctaggart

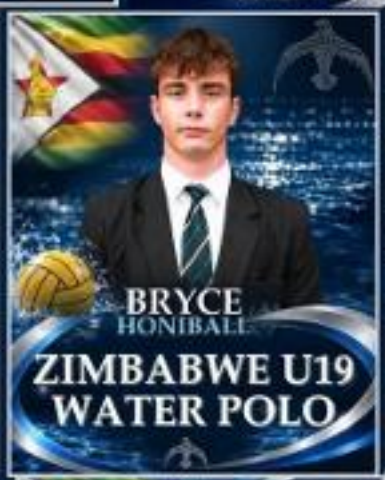

ZIMBABWE MINISTRY OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
to Falcon College


Langa
MANGEZI
MADE IT INTO THE
ZIMBABWE
U15 GIRLS' CRICKET TEAM

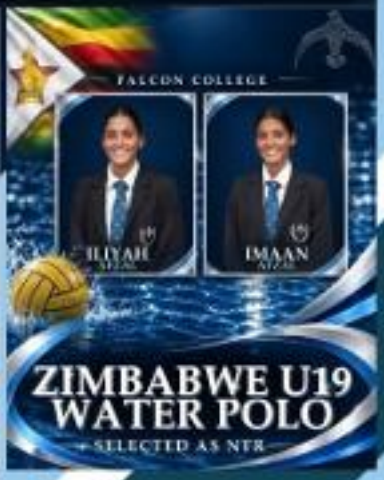

ZIMBABWE
WORLD
CHAMPS
U16 GIRLS
• Zimbabwe's Top Goal Scorer: 18 out of 31 goals
• Overall World Score Ranking: Ranked 10th overall in the tournament for goal scoring
• Awarded: Player of the Match vs. Czech Republic
PLAYER OF THE MATCH
LOLA ACCORSI
WATER POLO


YARE
YARE TOURNAMENT INSIGHTS
TOP 10 SCORERS
OFFICIAL RANKING - TOTAL GOALS
ZHU YINGI
33


TRISTAN
HARRIS
ZIMBABWE U19
WATER POLO


BRYCE
HONIBALL
ZIMBABWE U19
WATER POLO


TIFFANY
SMALL
ZIMBABWE U19
WATER POLO


FALCON COLLEGE
ILIYAH
IMAAN
ZIMBABWE U19
WATER POLO
SELECTED AS NTR


Overall Medal Results
ACACIA
WATSON
XXII AFRICA AQUATICS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS • ZONE IV
2 SILVER
3 BRONZE
2 SILVER

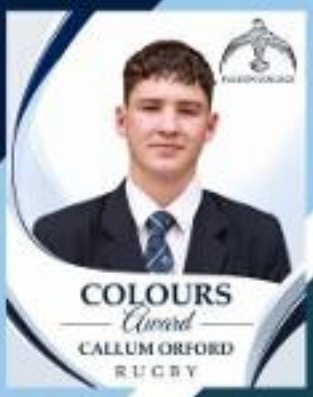

Overall Medal Results
OCEAN
ARMSTRONG
XXII AFRICA AQUATICS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS • ZONE IV
2 SILVER
2 SILVER


HONOURS Award
JODIE ANDERSON
HOCKEY
HONOURS Award
TAVONGA MVURA
HOCKEY
HONOURS Award
ETHAN GONAH
HOCKEY
HONOURS Award
AME CHUBE
NETBALL


COLOURS Award
JOSHUA ENGELBRECHT
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
CHRISTOPHER THOMAS
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
LIAM NEL
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
DANIEL PAUNGANWA
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
CALUM MULDER
HOCKEY


COLOURS Award
TYRESE MUKOTEKWA
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
JODI BAWDEN
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
AMY BARRY
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
JOICE MANDOZANA
HOCKEY
COLOURS Award
NEO TSWAKAYI
HOCKEY


COLOURS Award
TINOVIMBA CHIROCHIERWA
NETBALL


COLOURS Award
CALLUM ORFORD
RUGBY


COLOURS Award
MATIPAMUFARO MUDZAMIRI
SOCCER
COLOURS Award
MANASSEH OHIZU
SOCCER
COLOURS Award
CAMERON DANCE
SOCCER
COLOURS Award
MANELISI MAPHOSA
SOCCER
COLOURS Award
HAILEYCOLIN MLANGENI
SOCCER

Second Term Sports Trophies



Anne Clarke
FIRST TEAM PLAYER OF THE YEAR
NETBALL



Jodie Anderson
FIRST TEAM PLAYER OF THE YEAR
GIRLS HOCKEY



Madiana van der Merwe
MOST PROMISING GIRLS' JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYER (U16)



Celum Mdeke
THE FIDELIS MAJURA TROPHY
THE MOST DISCIPLINED PLAYER



Ethan Gench
THE MARCHUSSEN TROPHY
THE BEST 1ST TEAM PLAYER



Ethan Gench
THE MACDONALD CUP
MOST CONSISTENT 1ST TEAM PLAYER



Leon Nel
A WESTAWAY TROPHY
MOST IMPROVED SENIOR HOCKEY PLAYER



Stirling Swanson
P SMITH TROPHY
MOST IMPROVED JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYER



Motsumedisi Mudzuma
THE BEST PLAYER
1ST XI SOCCER



Hodayedin Mlangeni
THE MZIZI SHIELD
THE TOP GOAL SCORER



Kea Mesela
THE ISMAIL TROPHY
THE BEST DEFENDER



Tinotenda Dambadzvuke
MOST IMPROVED PLAYER
1ST XI SOCCER



Gamble Dhlamini
PLAYER OF THE SEASON
U16 SOCCER



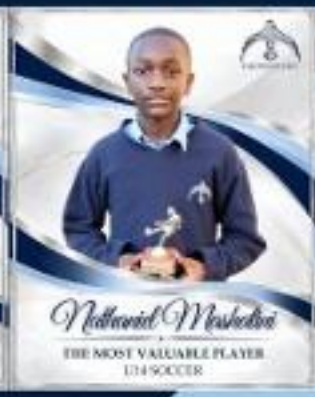
Fray Siganda
MOST PROMISING JUNIOR PLAYER
SOCCER



Lukey Maya
THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
U15 SOCCER



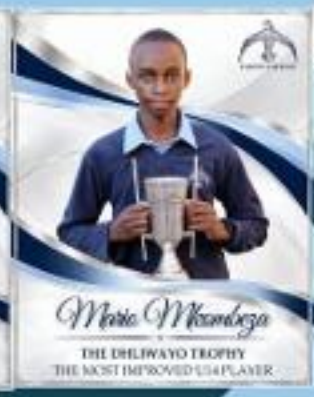
Richard Gaden
THE MOST IMPROVED PLAYER
U15 SOCCER



Nathaniel Mashedzi
THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER
U14 SOCCER



Masimba Gerdenga
THE MOST IMPROVED PLAYER
U14 SOCCER



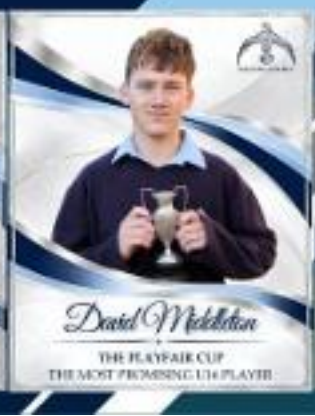
Mario Mkombeza
THE DHLIWAYO TROPHY
THE MOST IMPROVED U14 PLAYER



Connor Beitzy
THE JULIAN TURINA TROPHY
THE MOST IMPROVED U15 PLAYER



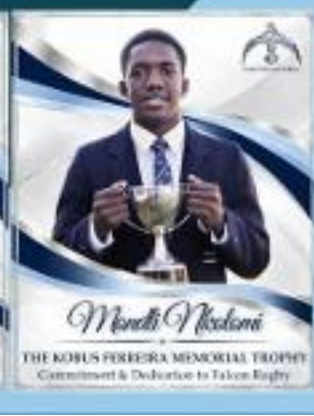
Ethan Tautari
THE R BUNI CUP
THE MOST IMPROVED U16 PLAYER



David Middleton
THE PLAYFAIR CUP
THE MOST PROMISING U16 PLAYER



Jaiden Gonye
THE JUNIOR TACKLING CUP
RUGBY



Mandi Nkolomi
THE KOBUS FERREIRA MEMORIAL TROPHY
Commitment & Dedication to Falcon Rugby