

ST GEORGE'S COLLEGE

Taking history forward

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FROM THE HEAD'S DESK

As we approach the end of what is the busiest term, we can reflect on a notable set of achievements. Our building and refurbishment programme continues with the completion and handover of two new Art Studios. One of these was funded by the SDC and for this, the College is very grateful. One of the old Art Studios will be converted into a Global Perspectives classroom, whilst the second will be developed into a Graphic Design studio. Refurbishment of the Boarding Hostel area has started, with the development of two new accommodation areas for students in Form One and Form Two.



Total refurbishment of the Staff Room will be completed by the end of the August holidays. The new Museum facility should be completed by the end of the year.

A number of students have achieved Provincial and National selection in the Winter sports. Two students were selected for the National U17 Rugby squad (including vice-captain) and a further five selections at U19 level.

Archery has four National representatives, whilst boys' Hockey has eight Provincial representatives at U19 level and a further four at U17. Girls had three Provincial representatives for Hockey and one for Basketball. ATS held Football tournaments for U15, U16 and U17, with our teams claiming two first places and a second.

Squash, senior boys' Hockey and U14, U15 and U16 Rugby teams, had a particularly strong season and our Chess and Debating Teams are amongst the strongest in the country.

At the recent NIAA competition, at which very few top grades were awarded, our students did remarkably well. Thirteen students achieved First Grade awards in Speech, Drama, Shakespeare and Original Work Improvisation. Three senior students won Honours awards.



M Moyo in Form Three won the "Genius Olympiad Award" at the Zimbabwe Science Fair earlier in the Year. This enabled him to participate in a Science Fair at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York. He has returned with an Honours award and a scholarship for his future studies. His project focused on refugee housing. Men and Women For and With Others!

The end of term is a very valuable time of reflection for all of our students, particularly those in our Public Examination classes. Having gone through the end of term reports, a great deal of reflection is required by a large number of students. They now have their examination destiny by and large in their own hands. They must take ownership of this and show a steely determination over the coming weeks that remain before their Public Examinations start at the beginning of October.

By now, the details of our Revision week will have been communicated to them. This will be between the 28th of August and the 1st of September. School will formally open on Tuesday the 5th September 2023, at 0715.

May I wish the entire College community





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Friday 21st July started with a nostalgic visit to St Michael's, followed by a finger lunch held in the Paul Miki gym and culminating in a tour of Hartmann House and Paul Miki ECD Centre. A formal dinner was held that evening with over 70 Old Georgians, their wives and family members in attendance. A superb evening by all accounts with the school war cries of yesteryear adding to the festivities. We had OGs from the Class of 1969 all the way through to the Class of 2022 represented.

Saturday opened with a superb history talk from John McCarthy the College Archivist and OG; which took the OGs back to the origins of the College and through to the present day. Mr McCarthy also dug out some archive photography specifically for the Class of 1971, sparking much conversation and discussion. This was followed by a tour of the College seeing the new developments and some places that were as they had been when the OGs were at the College back then.

A braai lunch was then held before the Dragons defeated Prince Edward on Weaver, just as they did back in 1971. We wish all the best to the Class 1971 as they celebrated their delayed golden jubilee and to the classes of 2013, 2003, 1993, 1983, 1973 and 1963 as they celebrate significant anniversaries this year.

SCENES FROM OUR OLD GEORGIAN'S GLOBAL REUNION







