



FROM THE HEAD'S DESK



April was an unusually busy “break” from school. All reports that I have received tell of highly successful school trips outside of Zimbabwe borders. First Team Hockey (SA), Football (Denmark and Germany) and Rugby (France and Italy) not only gained valuable preparation for the Second Term fixtures, but also gained significantly from the inter-cultural experiences on their travels. Thank you for all parental support and staff who supervised all the boys ensuring that they travelled safely.



Action scene from our Knights Football Team's Europe Tour.

Similar reports from our Art Tour (France and Italy) and the junior students who travelled to Spain for their Business Studies/Entrepreneurial experiences. Again, thank you to all staff who supervised and allowed all the students to optimise their experiences from these tours.



Smiling happy faces from our students during their Europe Art Tour.

Work on Campus also continued throughout the holidays. Painting and repairs to Classrooms 1 – 7 and refurbishment of rooms 18 – 20, including new furniture. The junior girls' toilet area has had additional fencing erected, creating a safer, more secure area for the young girls. The multipurpose sports facility is nearing completion of Phase 1. The new Tuck

Shop will be accessible from the beginning of June, with the facility itself ready for basketball fixtures at the beginning of September. This is indeed an ambitious project. It is the largest unsupported space in the country and will be able to sit 4,500 as an auditorium, on completion. This is in addition to Basketball and Indoor Hockey and possible other sports as we learn how to optimally use this new resource.

Cambridge Examinations communicated to us at the end of last week that four of our students will be receiving special awards at a dinner on the 11th June. Top in Zimbabwe awards at IGCSE in English Language and Global Perspectives, AS level Information Technology and a special award for AS French.

The school production of Jesus Christ Superstar has been postponed until the end of term for operational reasons. This being a major outdoor production, the organisation and equipment involved is significant.

Our co-curricular programme is extensive as witnessed from our Calendar for the term. There will be three compulsory sports fixtures. The weekend of 22/23 May St John's College (Away) and those of 24/25 July SJC and Hellenic (Home) and 31 July/1 August SJC and Gateway (Home).



Exciting weekend rugby fixture against Peterhouse on Weaver.

We had two very exciting opening weekend sports fixtures, with some very good results across all disciplines which are reported upon elsewhere. Thank you to all our students and parents turning out in such numbers to support our teams.

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Our new style parents/teacher consultations commence this term. The event for each year group allows for a time set aside for College “housekeeping” issues, including any communication from the SDC.

I have applied to District Offices (Ministry of Education) for our Study Leave Break starting Wednesday 17 June at 5:00pm to Tuesday 23 June 7:15am. I still await their response.

Mid-year examinations commence on 6th July for IGCSE candidates with other examinations rolling out shortly after.

On Friday 22nd of May we learnt of the passing of Remedio Fernandes, a true servant leader during his 46 years at the College. The funeral Mass was held at the College on the 25th May with his OG sons Jonathan giving the Eulogy and Isaac (SJ) as the main celebrant during the Mass.

J. Farrelly
Headmaster

Tribute to Mr Remedio Fernandes



As the St George’s College community, we would like to express our deepest condolences to the Fernandes family on the passing of **Mr Remedio Fernandes** on Friday 22 May 2026.

Mr Fernandes started at the College in 1975 and had completed 46 years of service at the time of his retirement in 2021. During that time, he was a teacher in both Mathematics and Religious Education. In 1983, he was appointed the first Housemaster of Johann, and later, in 1986, as Examinations Officer. In 1994, he took over as editor of the Chronicle, an onerous task he held for the next 24 years. In 1997, Mr Fernandes was appointed joint Deputy Headmaster – a position that he retained until the First Term of 2016. Over the years, he also coached cricket and rugby and managed both hockey and basketball teams. He was the school photographer, an Ignatian Committee member and was the first editor of Magis. Service Projects were always close to his heart, particularly L’Arche. And who could ever forget Mr Fernandes’ dulcet tone ringing out across Ford Field during the athletics events or the swimming pool during galas?

Indeed, for the College community, Rem was a servant leader of note, always leading by example. We salute him and thank him, and Anne, his wife, for all those wonderful years of service to the College community.

Funeral Photo Collage

