



FROM THE HEAD'S DESK

July is always considered “exam month” with Form 4 students writing from the 6th of the month and other Forms commencing soon after.

Externally arranged fixtures continued, however, and our Football teams did extremely well with U14 and U17 winning the ATS Tournaments, U15 placed third and U16 second. Our First XI won the Kambarami U20 Tournament at Falcon College.



Our Football First XI lifting the trophy at the Kambarami U20 Tournament at Falcon College.



Our Girls Hockey Team in action against Dominican Convent.

Our girls (Senior and Junior) continue to improve across the sporting disciplines, particularly Hockey. Rugby and Hockey Teams across all age groups continue to impress.



Our Rugby team locked horns with Hellenic in a thrilling match up!

As our Second Term draws to a close, we have two major



compulsory sporting weekends on our calendar. The first was our home rugby fixture against Hellenic on 25th July, which the 1st XV won 23-22 in a thrilling match. The final fixture is at home against St John's College on 1st August, which requires compulsory support and features competitions across all sporting disciplines.

We also have our Mass to Celebrate the Feast of St Ignatius on Thursday, 4th August, at which we will give thanks to God for the 13 years of service that Fr Arimoso has given to the College as Rector and welcome Fr Martin Nyadewo as the new Rector.



Our new incoming Rector Fr Martin Nyadewo.

I must also mention that on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 5th, 6th and 7th August, there will be spectacular performances of Jesus Christ Superstar in front of the Castle. Come and enjoy this impressive show (remember to bring a blanket)!

Please also diarise “revision week” for all our Public Examination Candidates. This will run from Monday, 31st August to Friday, 4th September 2026.

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Over the last two rugby seasons, the St George's 1st XV sides have lost only twice thus far, both times to the St John's Rams – each by only very narrow margins, and, on the form shown through the balance of this season, the Dragons are probably odds-on favourites for the next game. So, it would be as well for the St George's side to know that, out of a total of 56 games that are known to have been played so far, St John's have won 31, a few of them by thumping big margins – e.g. 58-3 in 2002, and 51-15 in 2005.

In fact, with the exception of a narrow win by the Dragons, and a subsequent draw in 2004, the Rams won every encounter between 2001 and 2010! Between 2011 and the onset of Covid in the latter half of 2019, the Dragons then reversed the trend substantially, with the sides of 2013 and 2014 notching up some big scores over the Rams, most notably 41-11 and 41-13 in those years respectively. Since Covid, however, the RAMS are again in the lead with five wins to our two, and one draw.

On a final note, when St John's first joined the Schools 1st XV league 37 years ago, there were 13 schools participating, including the likes of Mutare, Vainona, Milton, Allan Wilson, Lord Malvern and Oriel. Sadly, all of them have fallen away as rugby competitors, with Prince Edward our only remaining government school rival this season! While the latter school remains our oldest rival historically, with home and away games traditionally being played every year, most would agree that the competitive focus is now shifting more towards the other rugby playing private schools.

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2013, Ivan Bawden on the charge.



2013, Tafadzwa Kufazvinei competing.



2013, Tafadzwa Kufazvinei jumping.



2014, Tarisai Mapfumo sidestepping.



2016, a high-flying Tinashe Muchena.



2017, Tafadziswa Bunu on the charge.