

RIDGEWAY COLLEGE




NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

The school is quiet. The hall is filled each day with pupils madly scribbling on their scripts and then heaving audible sighs of relief as the exam session finishes and they are released once more into the sunshine. For the staff, this is a very busy time too with setting and moderating papers and then the hours of marking that follow. Such are the rhythms of school life. In those rhythms, one can easily find the negative or lose perspective and we all need reminders of what lies within our power to change. My husband used this quote in his last newsletter. I'm pinching it from him because these words are worth reading

Don't worry about the things you can't control. But there are a few things that you control, and that will help you live a happy life.

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- Your beliefs
 - Your attitude
 - Your thoughts
 - Your perspective
 - How honest you are
 - Who your friends are
 - What books you read
 - How often you exercise
 - The type of food you eat
 - How many risks you take
 - How you interpret a situation
 - How kind you are to others
 - How kind you are to yourself
 - How often you say "I love you."
 - How often you say "thank you."
 - How you express your feelings
 - Whether or not you ask for help
 - How often you practice gratitude
 - How many times you smile today
 - The amount of effort you put forth
 - How you spend or invest your money
 - How much time you spend worrying
 - How often you think about your past
 - Whether or not you judge other people
 - Whether or not you try again after a setback
 - How much you appreciate the things you have
- Caleb LP Gunners



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YOURS IN EDUCATION

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EXAM NEWS

The examinations began this week in the hall, which is well ventilated and lit and allows for safe social distancing. It will be a long two weeks for the pupils but a necessary process to ensure that the matrics, in particular, are ready for prelims and that the other grades are thoroughly tested on all that has been taught.



ANNIE CHAKWIZIRA

ACADEMIC NEWS: ENGLISH

We have done it again! We heard last night that Annie Chakwizira (Gr 8), ex head Girl of our Prep School, won this week's chapter of the writing competition! We are beyond proud of her and of all our other pupils who have won thus far. A summary:

Chapter 1:	Written by the Zoutpansberger		
Chapter 2:	Won by someone outside our school		
Chapter 3:	Won by Tinotenda Kujinga	Grade 8	Ridgeway College
Chapter 4:	Missed due to the holiday		
Chapter 5:	Won by Nyandano Ramushweu	Grade 12	Ridgeway College
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Chapter 8:	Won by Nyandano Ramushweu	Grade 12	Ridgeway College
Chapter 9:	Won by Annie Chakwizira	Grade 8	Ridgeway College

COMPUTER TALENT SEARCH RESULTS

Well done to the following pupils who won Silver and Bronze certificates in the 2021 Computer Talent Search Competition, which recognizes the ability to solve problems and encourage string participants to consider a career in Information Technology. To attain a bronze meant that the participant did better than 50% of participants nationwide while to attain a Silver means the participant achieved better than 79% of all participants.

- Silver: Fhinulani Maliaga
Tinotenda Kujinga
Lavhelani Fambe
Thato Choabi
- Bronze: Tendani Muloiwa
Ranwedzi Nengwekhulu
Tafadzwa Chiguvare
Mary Chiliya
Dziphathutshedzo Mabilo
Lufuno Magada
Anesu Mapfumo
Charity Mashige
Masana Ntimbane
Mahek Ghelani
Tlangelani Marivate



SILVER CERTIFICATE WINNERS

CYCLING NEWS

This last weekend, our only cyclist, Andani Raphalalani, took part in a cycle race at Stanford Lake College and, since I live there on the weekends, I was able to watch him ride!

I have great admiration for the hours of training he puts in and his willingness to cycle a difficult circuit in the heat and dust. It was good to stand in the shadows of the pine trees and cheer him on. He came third in his age group.



UNIFORM NEWS

THANK YOU to the pupils who all arrived this week in the correct uniform and thank you to the parents for your support in this change. There is no denying how smart our pupils look.

Please note we have very warm stockings available at the school shop for R70 a pair.



BELIEVE
In Yourself

Art News

Some stunning entries for the Stanford College Online Festival, courtesy of our Grade 8 and 9 pupils and their ever capable, imaginative teacher, Ms. Waller.

