



# The Hindoo Society Newsletter

Anson Road, Ridgeview. Harare, Zimbabwe

P.V.O. 45/68



#### JANUARY-MARCH 2014 #3

## Daily Aarti at Omkar Mandir:6-15am & 6-15pm

#### **ISAVASYAM IDAM SARVAM**

Isam— the God is present (inhabits) here everywhere - nothing exists separate from the God, because God is present everywhere. Respect every living being and non-living things as God. That's what Hinduism teaches you.

## Bhajan Group Activities

1st Monday Samanvay Pariwar

Tuesdays Gayatri Prathna

Mahila Mandal &

Wednesdays Krishnanand Saraswati

Prathna

Thursdays Satya Sai Bhajans

Fridays Pushpanjali Bhajans

Saturdays Shishu Mandal &

Hindoo Bhajan

Sundays Havan

## Other Activities....

- ~ Art Of Living...Every Monday @ Omkar Mandir
- ~ YOGA Classes- Every Tues & Thurs @ Herbert Chitepo Ashram
- ~ Daily Aarti @Cameron St Omkar Mandir
- Hall, utensils & mattresses can be rented from the Hindoo Society at reasonable rates..contact: Mr T Bhika on +263 4 778406
- Walking Aids such as Wheelchair, Walking frame and crutches are available on request.
- Priest can be contacted to conduct pooja/ katha at your house or businesses.... contact: Bharatbhai Pathak on +263 778867933
- To become a member..phone 778406, get the application form emailed to you or collect it from Admin Office.
- Database Update update your info Change in email add/cell number to: hindoosciety@gmail.com

As many are aware the Old Liberty Cinema Renovations are near completion. A Havan Ceremony was organized on 15 December 2013. This was well appreciated and well attended.

Efforts to get a big task completed within the stipulated time by the building committee members is highly commendable.





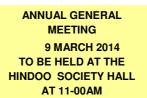
# Executive Committee Activities

Shop is available for rent on Cameron Street.

If interested then please contact: dhiru@tatos.co.zw or kdnaik@rank.co.zw

12 Fridges were donated to various orphanages and institutions in 2013.





Don't Miss these important religious events....



04 FEB 2014 VASANT

PANCHAMI

...is the festival dedicated to Saraswati, the goddess of learning.



09 FEB 2014 SAMUH SHANTI HAVAN

Samuh Yagna at Ridgeview Dining Hall



28 FEB 2014 MAHA SHIVRA-TRI



17 MARCH 2014 HOLI

**Festival of Colours** 

#### **WESTRIDGE PRIMARY MEMORIES**



ANNUAL SCHOOL
PLAY
THE JUNGLE
BOOK



### **WESTRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL MEMORIES**



# PROUD ACHIEVEMENTS AT WESTRIDGE SCHOOLS 2013



# **WESTRIDGE PRIMARY**

#### **SCHOOL**

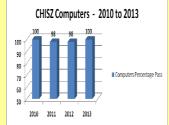


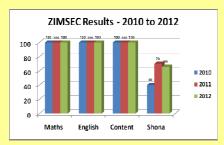
#### **ACADEMICS**

WPS pupils continue to excel in their academic pursuits. 45 pupils sat for the ATS Chisz Entrance Examinations in July 2013 to compete for placements in ATS High Schools for 2014, and we are pleased that 98% were accepted in Senior Schools of their first choice. National ZimSec Grade 7 Examinations Pass-rates achieved were Mathematics (98%). English (100%). General Paper (98%). Shona (49%)

These laudable results speak volumes about the dedication and commitment to Academic Excellence by our teachers.







#### **ARTS & CULTURE**

In our traditional participation in N.I.A.A. Festivals our children continue to impress. In the Choir Festival we garnered 4 First Grade+. At the Choral Verse Festival we came away with 4 Honours, and two of our Grade Two pupils achieved National Honours for their Artwork.

#### **SPORTS**

The standard of Sport at Westridge Primary continues to improve in the many discipline offered to our children. 2 of our Senior Girls were selected to play for the Provincial Harare U13 Girls Hockey team, whilst 5 Boys gained selection into the Provincial Harare U13 Boys Hockey teams. In addition to this 3 of our cricketers earned Half-Colours for their selection into the Harare Schools Team.

#### **PARENTAL SUPPORT**

We pride ourselves in the level of Parental support, and the **Grade 7 Parents** raised funds to erect a very attractive **balustrade** along the perimeter of the Swimming Pool, as a show of their appreciation of the guidance and tutoring given to their children by the teachers and staff of Westridge Primary, during their stay at Westridge.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS of THE YEAR**

The history-making production of "Under the Sea" by the Nursery Department was a feast for the eyes. Those of us who were privileged to be at the Reps Theatre, were treated to a spectacle that will be remembered and talked about for a long time to come.

A fitting "finale" to the year, was the staging of the "Jungle Book", with a Westridge flavour. Both shows were "sell-outs", and the audience were treated to an extravaganza of song, comedy and dance.



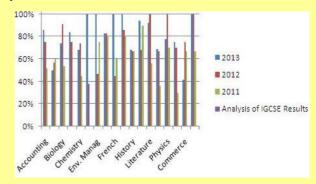
# WESTRIDGE HIGH

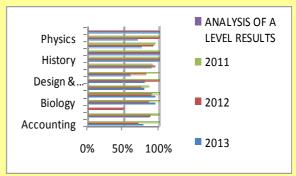
# School



**ACADEMICS** 

AWARDS DAY: Approximately a third of our students received awards and prizes for outstanding achievements at a well attended Awards Ceremony. The occasion was graced by retired Justice Ahmed Ebrahim who delivered a very powerful message on racial harmony and equal opportunities. He was full of praise for the achievements and contributions that Westridge was making, not only in education but also in the wider society. 7 of our students are at UCT many others at universities in S.A.





#### **EDUCATIONAL TOURS/CAMPS**

Forms 1's travelled to Hwange and Victoria Falls. Forms 2's made a day trip to Zimbabwe Ruins and Forms 3's travelled to Far & Wide. 26 Lower Six acting prefects attended a 2 day camp at Lasting Impressions near Kadoma. The educational tours have been very successful.

#### SERVICE PROJECT

A group of Form 2 pupils who are part of the President's Award Scheme, managed to raise enough funds to purchase wooden cabins for "Wings of Grace" an orphanage in Mufakose. When visiting the orphanage to hand over the contributions, trees were planted on the small piece of land. The spirit of service for the under privileged is a strong commitment of Westridge High. 2 Upper Six students are assisting poor children with school fees by raising funds through a banner called "Join Hands and Make a Difference

#### **SPORTS**

3 boys were selected for Mashnaland hockey and 3 girls were selected for Zimbabwe volleyball. This is surely making Westridge High School proud. Head Boy, Noel Mhlanga won a bronze medal in the 2013 National Mathematics Olympiad. He stands a good chance of representing Zimbabwe in the International Maths Olympiad to be held in Cape Town in June 2014. We wish him All The Best!



A 60 Seater TATA Luxury Bus was purchased to accommodate students travelling long distance for sports fixtures and educational tours.