

Falcon College

January 2024

Dear all,

We begin another year and another school year, Falcon's 70th anniversary in fact. Falcon is bigger than ever with around 520 pupils. There are quite a lot of new staff too. Mr Ferreira has taken over from Mr Khumalo as Hervey housemaster. It will (sadly) be Mr van Wyk's final term as headmaster.

The chapel programme, as you can see, continues much as normal with familiar services and speakers. We lost an excellent group of U6 Christian leaders at the end of last term and there don't seem to be quite so many suitable replacements at the top of the school this year, so that will be a challenge. Anesu Gwaradzimba will be the head Christian leader working together with Kabanshi Kabalata, who is the chapel prefect. For similar reasons, we are struggling a little with the composition of Midweek Band. Definitely something for prayer! Please do pray for Falcon this term. For various reasons, I also worry about the viability of the Christian groups. I am reluctant to cancel them but they are not well attended. Likewise, morning prayers. As usual I list some suggestions for you.

Sunday : pray for the services, the speakers, the band (not least that we will find suitable musicians). Pray too for the Christian Group bible studies and the staff who lead those

Monday : pray for the classroom work, the learning, pupils and teachers, for Mr Heymans in charge of the academic side of the school

Tuesday : pray for new House and College Prefects. Dominic McKechnie is the 2024 head boy with Andile Mhlope as deputy. Anesu Gwaradzimba is head girls with Andie Lilford as deputy. Pray for the new Form Ones and other new pupils as they settle into the College

Wednesday : pray for the Midweek services and the Christian leaders as they take part in, speak and organise many of these services

Thursday : pray for good rain. We are well below expected rainfall at this stage in the season

Friday : pray for safety in travel for sports fixtures, cultural events, fixture frees and so on

Saturday : pray for good health for everyone at Falcon and for completion of the final touches to the chapel which are still pending following the renovations