



ICHILOLA

CHENGLO SECONDARY SCHOOL'S TERMLY NEWSLETTER

End of Term 2, 2010

Dear Parents,

The longer I work at Chengelo, the more I realise what a unique school it is and what a wonderful privilege it is to be part of God's work here – for that is what it is.

We have just completed another packed term of learning, activities and achievements and once again your children will be returning home after Sports Day tired, but hopefully with many things to tell you about what they have been doing over the past 12 weeks at Chengelo. Amidst all this activity, however, it is good to stand back and pause to ask the question; what is this all about? This year, the staff and Board of Chengelo have been asking precisely this question, and we have been looking at the vision for Chengelo which we believe that God has placed on our hearts and which drives and directs the busy programme we have in the School each term.

You can read the full statement of the Chengelo Vision on our website, (www.chengelo.sch.zm), but the phrase that we think sums up what we are trying to do here is this: "Educate and train young people to become Witnesses to the Light of Jesus Christ in Zambia and beyond".

Central to any School is the concept of education, which means, according to one definition, 'any act or experience that has a formative effect on the mind, character or physical ability of an individual'. From this it is clear that education is much more than merely learning subjects to pass exams and at Chengelo we embrace this broad concept of education. We seek to give our students as wide a range of experiences as possible. Whether these are, as our school song put it, 'out on the sports-field, the classroom or the hill', we believe that they shape and mold a child's character, and contribute significantly to who they are and what they will become.

But the education that we seek to deliver at Chengelo also has a *foundation* and a *direction*. The foundation is our unshakable faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that an education without a biblical foundation fails to teach a child about who they are, and their relationship to creation, other people and God. Therefore, biblical teaching lies at the heart of all we seek to do at Chengelo.

The direction of the education your child receives aims to set them on a course that will make them effective citizens of Zambia or beyond. Zambia, of course, has a key place in our hearts and minds, but we recognize that some of our students will in the course of their lives study and work beyond our borders. It is our desire that Chengelo students will take up positions in society where they will be able to influence others confidently and positively. Servant leadership is a mindset that we seek to instill deeply into our students thinking.

When you read about all of the different activities in this edition of ICHILOLA, remember that they are not just a series of activities to entertain your children while they are at school. Rather, they designed to underpin the education we seek to deliver, with the prayerful vision that Chengelo students will change Zambia and even the world.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Charles Alford, Head of Secondary

PTA DINNER, LUSAKA

Advance notice is given that the PTA will be hosting a fundraising dinner in Lusaka on the evening of **Friday 17th September**. The venue will be the **Mulungushi Conference Centre**. Details of how to get tickets will be sent out in due course.

SCHOOL PLACES, 2011

Places in Form 1 & Form 6 for 2011 are rapidly filling up. If you intend sending your child to Chengelo next year, or have friends who would like to, then please attend a selection day. Details on how to apply are on our website.

STAFF CHANGES

NEW STAFF: This term we have welcomed a number of new staff to the School: **Mr Ross MacKenzie** from Glasgow, Scotland, has taken up the post of Computer Studies Teacher and **Mr Nelson Chifuka**, has returned to Chengelo to take up the position of Maths Teacher and Sixth Form Hostel Parent.

STAFF LEAVING: We were sad to say farewell to **Mr Robert & Mrs Cherry Okumah** and their family earlier this term. Mr Okumah resigned his position as Head of Science and Agriculture teacher to go to the USA to study for a PhD. We will miss them and pray God's blessing on them (see page 2 for more). **Mr Solomon Katete** has also left the Computer Studies Department to be more involved with Christian ministry.

SHORT TERM STAFF: It has been a pleasure to have **Mr James Bunce** (PE, Maths, Science and Outdoor Education), **Miss Anna Monde** (English), **Miss Ina Bairnson** (Maths) and **Mr Ian Freestone** (English) helping out this term. We are grateful to them for their contributions.

CHENGELO PRODUCES WORLD'S BEST

It was a Wednesday morning assembly when the Headteacher, Mr Charles Alford, took the stage and was all smiles. Mr Alford did not waste time in breaking the good news to the school! Our own Chengelo pupil, Ridhwaan Mukadam had received a certificate from Cambridge International Examinations congratulating him on having obtained the highest mark in the World in last year's IGCSE Agriculture examination.

On announcing this, the whole school gave Ridhwaan a thunderous applause and a standing ovation from his fellow Sixth Formers who were with him in Form 5 last year. Ridhwaan who is currently doing his AS-Levels at Chengelo was invited to go and receive his certificate in front of the school.. To hand him the certificate was his Agriculture teacher Mr. Robert Okumah who proudly stood clad in his academic gown next to the Headteacher.

Sadly, Mr Okumah, who has been an Agriculture teacher and Head of Science at Chengelo, left Chengelo just before the end of term to move to the USA where he will study for a PhD. He has an admirable track record of excellent results in Agriculture and Ridhwaan's success was just a true confirmation of the hard work that both the teacher and his pupils put into the subject. We will all miss him and the Okumah family.

Ridhwaan's achievement is a testimony of Chengelo's mission to be a World Class centre of education and its desire to offer excellent standards of teaching and learning. The entire school is very proud of this award as there are many IGCSE centres around the world examined by Cambridge and for Chengelo to be added in the books of achievers in the world is an exciting milestone.



Mr. Robert Okumah with Ridhwaan Mukadam showing off the Cambridge certificate awarded to Ridhwaan on being top in the world in the 2009 IGCSE Agriculture exams (left). Some of Ridhwaan's well wishers posing for a photo as they continued congratulating their friend on his excellent achievement.

PHYSICS CLASS AT TUSEKELEMO

The Upper 6 physics students had an opportunity to visit Tusekelemo Clinic in Mkushi to get a first hand experience on the equipment and all the safety measures involved in X-rays and Ultrasound. The educational trip was meant to enhance the theory learnt in class on the X-rays machines and Ultrasound equipment. Tumbone volunteered to have an ultrasound scan of his abdomen. The students had an opportunity to see his heart beating! Neil volunteered to have an X-ray scan of his hand as Francis, the Radiographer explained how the image is obtained.

Wezi Mutambo, Upper Sixth Form



AFRICA DAY: COMMUNITY SERVICE

The 25th of May morning was a very special day for all of us. The whole school went out to various places in the surrounding communities to spend time with the local people by way of sharing work and play with them. A lot of activities were lined up in a well planned programme coordinated by Mr. Ngulube, the Senior Teacher responsible for Christian activities in the school. We were divided into several teams each with a task to perform. Some went to the local clinics, Mkushi District Hospital, and local basic schools. My team went to Kasalamakanga Basic School.

When we reached our destination, we were split up into two groups and each group was given a classroom to paint. Before we started painting we quickly dusted the walls and then got down to the job. It was such a fulfilling experience to share our time and resources with the needy in our neighboring community. It actually made me feel I was living the school motto which says, 'Chengelo as a witness to the Light'.

Apart from painting the classrooms we also painted each other which was a huge amount of fun for all of us, we had some funky hairstyles from the 4D boys and the 4C girls were painted all over. Going back to Chengelo the truck was filled with exhausted children except for Musonda and Luzia who were filled with a lot of excitement. As we got nearer to Chengelo gradually everyone started to get more active.

We entered Chengelo announcing our return and showing off our artistic talents to everyone there.

It was a very enjoyable morning for all of us!!!



Photos of Chengelo pupils boarding trucks to various places around Mkushi for their community service. They are seen here with local children at a basic school they went to paint while some helped in cleaning and tidying up at another local school (left photo).

Beverly Renaux– Form 4

BAPTISM SERVICE

The Baptism Service took place on 6th June 2010. It was a wonderful day!! About 14 of us gave our lives to the Lord. This was a very big step but we are all glad we took it. The Bible says we should cry out and plead for wisdom and we all believe that we can only receive such wisdom from God, it also says in Corinthians that we must continue working for God because our work for him is never useless. Things may get hard and we do know that being a Christian doesn't mean that there will be no troubles. We do realise that we live in a world of sin but what we also know is that the God we serve is greater than any of those problems. This day was a defining moment for many of us and a stepping stone for greater things. Come what may, we know that we have a God who is watching over us. Even when we slip and fall He picks us up. What a great God we serve! I am sure it's a blessing to see and hear of teenagers or people of our generation publicly declaring our love for Christ, so don't give up on us, just encourage each and every one of us. Plant the seed and God will do the rest.



We all thank God that we managed to go through with it despite the weather and to all parents who travelled far and pupils and staff that came to support. May God richly bless you all. **“Don't be afraid or discouraged, but be courageous and determined in everything you do because I the Lord your God am with you where ever you go”**
Joshua 1:9

Chimwemwe Sakanjole, Form 5

NDUBALUBA OUTDOOR EVENTS

TRIBAL SURVIVAL

When we went for 'Tribal Survival' at the Young's farm, we started off by missing school and wanting to go back at once! We were already used to the one environment and a certain daily routine. As the week went on we got used to the environment and routines and we never wanted to go back to school.

We learnt that when you are part of a team some disabilities are really an ability when you use them as a team! I grew to learn to understand my peers and stop thinking of myself as much. We all play an important part in a team and as well as in everyday life! But most of all I came closer to God realising that He is even in the smallest thing you do realising that without Him it could not be. I also learnt how to put my trust in Him and go to Him always! Thank you to everyone who made tribal survival what it was!

Yurika Heald and Savannah Holness - Form 2

Mt SANCHA

Mt Sancha was such an unforgettable experience with everyone on the trip having fun and testing their fears, as they climbed up the great mighty Sancha which is about 350m high. It is extremely steep and required the whole group to use ropes and the skilful expertise provided for by the instructors. When the whole team, which included one of Chengelo's oldest couples, Director Mr Harold Rea and his wife Mrs Mary Rea, got to the top of the mountain, we slept there. We managed to sleep out in the



open air with only our sleeping bags to provide us warmth. As we watched the sun rise the next morning it was like God rising in our hearts and we thank Him and the school for giving us a safe trip back and for the fun weekend for everyone who took part. We are looking forward for the adventure to live again this coming year.

Christian Kalila -Form 4C

LOWER SIXTH TRIP TO KUNDILILA FALLS

On Thursday the 10th of June the Lower Sixth class set off on a 3 hour drive for a 4 day trip to the famous Kundalila Falls. The excursion (Kundalila Extreme) was a trip dreaded by many as all we had to go by were unpleasant accounts from Forms before us! The idea of pitching tents and taking baths in extremely cold waters in the middle of the cold season didn't amuse us but we went into it enthusiastically as always.

Kundalila Extreme, as we were soon to learn, was extreme indeed! It challenged us physically, emotionally and spiritually. In our 3 teams (Swagga, Waka Waka and The Ketones), we had a 15 km bike ride that seemed to endlessly go uphill; a walk in freezing cold water that led us to the extremely forceful waterfall; rock climbing and zip-wire right above the falls; and an expedition that led us up a number of hills and required us to spend the night in the middle of nowhere, away from the main campsite. The most valuable experience though was the group reflection on the challenges faced and lessons learned as well as the moment of solitaire in which we were encouraged to reflect on the past events of our lives and the directions we intend to take as a solid foundation for our future. Every aspect was taken to the extreme .

Though the trip was short, it taught us very valuable life lessons such as how to relate to others and handle ourselves in moments of weakness and those of strength, but also to help others in their moments of weakness. On behalf of all of the 6th Form students we would like to thank the Ndubaluba staff as well as the Chengelo staff who accompanied us on the trip. It was truly an unforgettable experience.

Musumbulwe Mambwe and Lungowe Mukumbuta- Lower Sixth Form

CHARIOTS OF FIRE

The Chariots of Fire challenge was meant to challenge the fighter in all of us. The first challenge was a team challenge to canoe down the river to Kingdom's dam, which wasn't as easy as it sounds. Time and time again the current would throw us onto the banks and get cause us to get stuck in the muddy reeds. After this activity, half the team was made to cycle up from Kingdom's dam to Chengelo primary school hall where we had to climb the wall to get pieces of a puzzle, and once down we were expected to construct the word 'team' with a few cardboard pieces. The second team had to ride out of the school and up the seven kilometre road. The sun and sand were a huge challenge. However the most challenging task was one where we had to climb a hill. Tempers flared, muscles ached, eyes cried, backpacks became too heavy and our walking steps decreased. We nevertheless made it to the top!



Sixth Form Students competing in 'Chariots of Fire'

The final leg of the challenge on day two was for some the most enjoyable, but for most it was heartbreaking. A Chariot had to be constructed using parts collected from the Dam, and then there was a race to the finishing line with fire burning in the chariot. But at the end of it all, we all emerged winners!

Wezi Mutambo, Upper Sixth Form

ROCKRIDGE

Rockridge is an event Chengelo holds every two years. This year it was on! It is an event that gives you an opportunity to challenge yourself as a person. It is an event covering an 18 kilometre stretch from Mr Barton Young's farm, along the Noah's Ark Conservancy, and up to Chengelo school. Participants choose to either walk, run or cycle the entire distance on a dirt road with sections of sand and rocky patches along the way.

'The event started off to an early rise. The wind was like a silent breeze, almost like a whisper by your ear. We all anxiously prepared ourselves for the 18 kilometre race,' *Phena Muwema -1W*

'The whole Chengelo rose up to a cold dark Saturday morning. Students got up at 05:30 and had their breakfast at 06:00hours. Trucks and buses starting to leave for the start point. The road was long and quite bumpy. Just when the bumps became really bad, we finally reached the Noah's Ark game reserve which is owned by Mr & Mrs Young. As we were waiting for the race to start, two big fires were lit up to keep us warm as it was incredibly cold. After a while, the sun started to come out and we were ready to start the race. The cyclists were in front, and next were the runners then lastly the walkers. The gun was shot and the race began!' *Nasutu Mbewe -1W*

I took part in the Rockridge race as a walker. When the race started, I started off walking in a crowd but slowly the crowd faded. I wanted to finish the race. I left the friends I was walking with and started walking faster. I was in front of a lot of people. My friends were far behind me. Suddenly my legs started to hurt and I slowed down. Some of the people I had passed started to pass me. I tried to catch up but they had gone too far for me. I met another group of people I could walk with but they were too fit for me to maintain their pace. Then I met another group of people but again I could not catch up with their pace. I later met another couple and I walked with them till very close to the end.

The school bus came behind me, it was picking up tired participants and those who felt they could no longer continue with the race. It stopped for me but I refused to be picked up. The bus driver told me that the race was over. I still refused to jump on the bus because I wanted to finish the race. I reached the Chengelo school finishing line but nobody was there! Everyone was in the dining hall eating their lunch or lining up to go and eat. The race was long finished. At first I felt embarrassed, but suddenly felt very proud because I walked all the 18 kilometres without giving up!

Kristina Kanche 1W



THE 2010 JUNIOR RIVER LURE FISHING COMPETITION

This year's Junior River Lure Fishing Competition organised by the Ndola Boating Club took place from May 23 to May 24. This is a two-day event held on Fillis Farm on the Kafue river. Contestants compete to catch Bream, Pike and other species. Seven teams competed in the event this year. It was the first time Chengelo School was taking part in this competition.

The first day standings posted that evening showed the team of Campbell Young, Dylan Cleminshaw and Bernard Nyangonya in second position. Day 2 saw this team emerge to win the team event. At the award ceremony later in the evening, the three were awarded with a certificate of attendance, trophy miniatures and a fishing rod each. The biggest bream caught over the two days was 1.62kg by Campbell Young who walked away with a trophy and a Tool Set. Campbell also emerged winner for the largest barbel caught, which weighed 2.62kg and collected a trophy and a cash prize.

Overall the Chengelo girls team came fifth out of 7 teams. We were pleased as we had tried our best and each won a fishing rod and T/Shirt. I had a great time, met new people and enjoyed some wonderful fishing. I want to thank Mr. Banda for organising it all, the River Lure Committee. We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs Hickman for pointing out this competition to us as well as for the provision of a chalet for the girls. A special thanks to my dad for driving the boat and putting up with three noisy girls.

Rowan Hickman —Form 3E



HOUSE SYSTEM

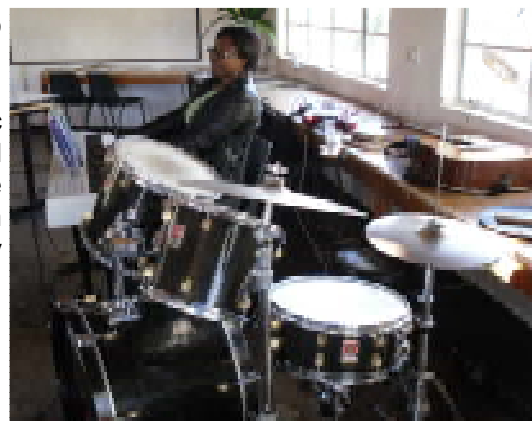
At Chengelo we have three houses for our sports activities. These are Kiambi, Mukwa and Ndale. We have many inter-house competitions involving the three houses. There is a lot of competition because every house really wants to win every sporting event. In Term One we had cross country competition at the end of half term, and the house that has most people coming first is the winning house, and this year Mukwa won the race. In Term Two we have Sports Day. We have trained hard for it right from the beginning of the term and it takes place at the end of term on the last day of school...last year Mukwa won the competition and has done so for the last two years. In term three the swimming gala comes along we are trained from the beginning of the term till the actual event which is also a competition between three houses. Last year Mukwa won, coming second place was Kaimbi, then third place was Ndale. So everyone is involved in these competitions, it's really fun!

Vwambanji Nambeye — Form 4C

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

At Chengelo we have a music department and students are taught how to play different instruments. In the Music department we have Mr Nyirenda, Miss Houghton, Miss Flanders and Miss Hitchcock and they offer guitar, piano, flute, vocal training and drum lessons. Students seem to find music lessons interesting and helpful if they have an interest in music. All students have a choice and can take music lessons if they want to. I take piano lessons once a week with Miss Flanders and I really enjoy it. It can be challenging at times and needs a lot of practise but it is fun. I have only been taking it for a year but I have made a lot of progress. I think it is worth it and I would encourage other students who are interested to start taking music lessons of their choice.

Inonge Lewanika (Form4D)



INTER HOUSE BADMINTON

This was a very interesting competition that was between all three houses: Mukwa, Kaimbi and Ndale. Each team had summoned their best squad hoping to take home the victory, it was such an exciting environment. Both students who had played the game before and those who were playing for the first time were allowed to play. This was an opportunity to improve their skills as well as showing them off. The competition was split up into the three age groups: Junior, Intermediate and Senior. Each of them had their own bit of excitement. It was a wonderful experience to watch and play in this competition. We found it hard to knock each other out due to the skill and amazing plays they portrayed. We would like to say thank you to Mrs. Germany and Miss Flanders and all the participants and spectators for that day.

Mbaki Banda and Vasu Patel— Form 4C

CIA THIS TERM

The Christians In Action (CIA) is a group of students in Chengelo that are involved in outreach and Christian activities around the school and to visiting schools. This term has been characterized by enthusiasm and dedication in the way we have performed our activities. CIA has been involved in outreach to schools like Nchanga Trust. At school level, it has been quite instrumental during the Sunday evening Fusion. Through our melodious singing, captivating drama performances and entertaining dances, we have been able to minister to our fellow students. It has been a good term and through the grace of God we believe it won't end here.

Chanda Chungu – Head of CIA Drama

THE ART TRIP

A combined educational trip comprising Form 6 and Form 4 Art and Design and Technology students visited Lusaka from the 14th to the 16th of July this term. Some of the places that were visited include Zambia Air Service Training Institute (ZASTI), National Science Centre, Chaminuka Lodge and Namwandwe Gallery. Other places were the Visual Arts Council, Signs of the Times and the Lusaka Museum. The trip was an inspiring, eye opening experience that was full of fun and excitement but most of all, very educative.

Zillah Mubangalala, Lower Sixth Form

PREFECT SPEECH NIGHT

The prefect speech night is an annual occasion where the Chengelo prefects are given the opportunity to showcase their public speaking skills. This year the prefect team consisting of 14 members dazzled and mesmerized their ways to the hearts of the audience with their brilliant speeches. The audience was made up of several members of staff and sixth form students. It was the perfect place for the 2010 prefects to articulate their views on different matters. The topics for the speeches varied from sports to motivation and also laughter. The prefects who were prepared for the speech night by Mr. Mukuni showed everyone just how multi skilled they are.

For the audience, it was an evening filled with laughter and excitement. They felt motivated and challenged as they saw the prefects deliver their speeches in a very eloquent manner. It was an enjoyable night and the perfect way to end the long term.

Chanda Chungu and Deborah Yambala– Upper Sixth Form

SECONDARY HORSE SHOW

On Saturday 31st July the Secondary Horse Show took place. Secondary students who ride all took part. There were a number of events from the beginners to the advanced riders level. There were different classes like best turned out, dressage and jumping. Most people performed very well. The day was good and we all enjoyed ourselves. Thanks to all the stable staff and Mrs Heald for organising it and making it a good day.

Arisa Heald – 4C



BACK PAGE

OLYMPIC YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Our sports calendar for Term 2 started very early with an assignment at the official opening of the Olympic Youth Development Centre in Lusaka on Monday 10th May 2010. The boys were able to sample the first ever astro-turf (artificial grass) for hockey in the country. A team of 18 boys represented Chengelo at this event. Unfortunately, they only played one game against the Ravens Club of Kitwe who featured some boys from Ndeke High School. The Zambia Hockey Association is due to host an international event later this year. We expect that some of our students will be picked to represent the country.

ISAZ COPPERBELT ATHLETICS MEET

On Saturday 29th May, Chengelo hosted the now annual Copperbelt Athletics Meet. Six schools, Simba School, Mpelembe, Lechwe, Nsansa and Amano came to take part in the day's competitions. Four more events were added this year to bring the total number of events to 52. The latest addition to the competitions this year was High Jump. Chengelo students were at their usual best, recording some excellent times. At the end of the day, Chengelo quite easily retained the championship coming first in 36 out of 52 events. Some notable times obtained on the day by some of the Chengelo students are recorded below.

<u>Boys</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Aubrey Chisanga (U15)	100m	11min 75sec.
Aubrey Chisanga (U15)	200m	00.24.50sec.
Teza Chituta (U19)	200m	00.23.78sec.
Kachinyva Silwamba (U15)	800m	2min 17sec.
<u>Girls</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>
Claire Coxe U15	800m	2min 59sec.
Kapampa Mwape (U15)	100m	11min 50sec.

Chengelo students competed in the high jump competition for the first time. **Ruth Coxe** who was competing in the U19 Girls category came in first position!



As I write this edition of the "Back Page" students have started to make preparations for our annual Sports Day which falls on the day that school closes. Also going on are the Inter House matches in girls basketball and boys football. These games will contribute to the overall standings for the Chengelo housepoints to determine the winner in the year 2010. Watch this space!

FORM 5 COMMUNITY SERVICE FUNDRAISER

Following the Form 5 Community Service trip to Mkushi and Lusaka last Term (see last edition of ICHILOLA), the Form 5's, led by Chimwemwe Sakanjole have organised a money raising Sports event for Term 3. **PLEASE SEND ANY UNUSED CLOTHES** to chengelo next term which will be distributed to the people they worked with event.

2010 TERM DATES

Term 3, 2010	(5 weeks / 6 weeks)
Open	Sunday 5th September
Half Term	Saturday 9th — Sunday 17th October
Close	Saturday 27th November