Mary Ward High School Roars to Life!

The journey begun at Mary Ward High School roaring into life on the 14th of January 2020 opening its doors to serve the Mbizo community in Kwekwe. A dream come true it seems and yet another historic encounter was realised.

The first day of school was characterised by excitement and jubilation of parents, learners and the Sisters.

The Sisters found by the gate on this early morning a warm reception by the parents and our Primary School graduates who were excited to enter into another chapter of their Schooling voyage. They had already arrived earlier before the Sisters had arrived!

Modest beginnings they were as the school started with an enrolment of 55 learners and teaching staff our C.J Sisters namely Sr Caroline Shonhiwa, Sr Charity Munjanja, Sr Regina Makwiramiti and Sr Shumirai Tanyanyiwa and Sr Tabeth Marezva (in abscencia).

A meeting with the equally enthusiastic pioneer parents was held in order to welcome and get to know each other as well as a familiarisation tour around the School.

The Parents expressed gratitude to the Sisters for this noble service to the Mbizo community and pledged their support to the Sisters as the School was still growing. The School Head thanked the parents for their gesture of trust to the Sisters and hoped for continued support as the School was still developing.

One could sense an atmosphere of anticipation and excitement with giggles and laughter from the eagerly waiting learners who were waiting for their turn to be welcomed and addressed by the School Head Sr Shonhiwa C.J. An assembly was held to welcome the learners to their journey at the School for their next few years.

It was highlighted to the learners that the School was proud to have them in their second home they and that the Sisters were delighted to have them as part of a historic moment to the CJ Zimbabwe Region. Team work, hard-work and discipline was highly emphasised and expected of us all the Sisters and learners as forerunners who would set precedence for future generations.

As trail setters we were all invigorated to be led by our School motto “Do good and do it well” so that all was for the greater glory of God! Later, a familiarisation tour was held with the learners around the school as they were shown the different parts of the school. Thereafter it was time to settle down and to get busy in their classes St Gabriel and St Michael. It took no time to realise that School life had begun, some learners had already bonded and some

meeting yet again after Primary Schooling together and some already, running around, shouting and making noise!

Our gratitude our Leadership in the Institute, our benefactors and friends for their continued support in this mission.

First Day of School

The first group of Girls and Boys

Hoisting of the National Flag

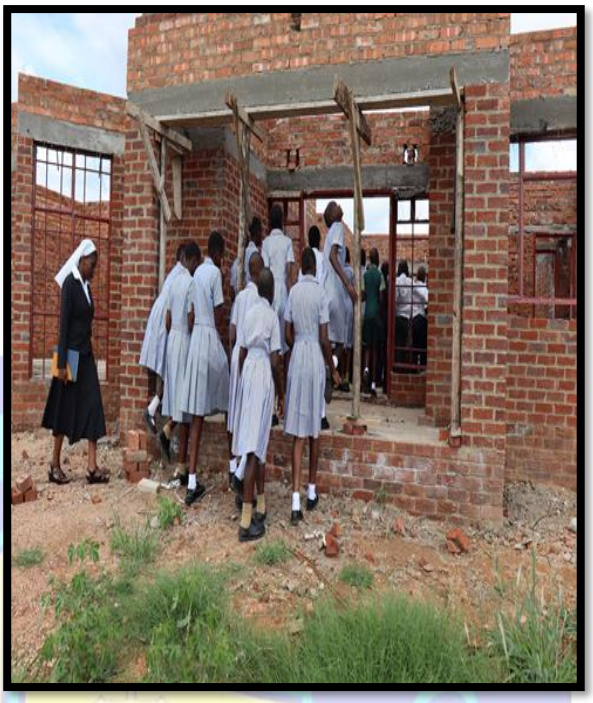
Sr C. Shonhiwa CJ and Sr C. Munjanja CJ

First Assembly

Meet the Parents...

The Head Sr C. Shonhiwa C.J has a meeting and tour with the parents

Learners Familiarise with the School



Break Time

Lesson Time

My first days at Maryward High School

By Denford Mukena

Word was that there was a new School in Mbizo section 21 and soon I was eager to know more about it, little did I know I was going to find myself there!

I knew it was a Catholic School because on my first day I saw Sisters whom I quickly knew were to be my teachers. I met some of my old primary school mates and made new friends too. On the first day of assembly we were told that we were part of the School's history in Zimbabwe. It made me feel proud to part of such a historic moment.

Also, it was made known to us that the school was named after a great woman called MaryWard and was the foundress of the Sisters Congregation. I was happy to know that one of her sayings her sayings Do good and do it well was our motto. So far, my first few days in High School have been exciting and very good as the Sisters are encouraging us always to work very hard in our school work. Discipline and doing our work very well would help us achieve good results said Sr Tanyanyiwa one of my teachers. I am happy to be learning at MaryWard High and I look forward to many more learning and exciting days.

My School, my home.

By Britta Valentine

Coming from a different schooling environment outside the country, my first days at Maryward High have been very different. I learnt that the school was to be my second home for the next few years and it made me feel welcomed by the sisters.

The environment was such that we respect each other's beliefs and appreciate one another. We start School at 7.00 am and our lessons at 7.30 am in the morning and already there is activity, the flag raisers, bell ringers set their things to start the new day. By this I have learnt to be organised so that I am settled for the day and in time for everything.

One thing that I like is that the Sisters have been teaching us many things. I had never heard of a woman named Mary Ward whom I later knew was the Foundress of the Sisters and that our School was named after her. I learnt in the very first few days that she was born in England in

1585 and lived in troubled times and that she was a woman who started houses for girls and the poor and her work is still around for over 400 years.

I also like it when we play games, dance and laugh at break time as we are getting to know each other. I like my School very much. Thank you.