



CHIRATIDZO EDUCATION GROUP

MUTENDI MONTESSORI DAY SCHOOL

School Brochure | 2026/2027 Academic Year

Nyeredzi Ridge Estate, Alpes Road, Pomona, Harare, Zimbabwe

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Quick Reference — At a Glance

Feature	Primary School	High School
Fees per Term	USD \$1,500	USD \$1,650 (Forms 1–4)
		USD \$1,850 (Forms 5–6 Commercials & Arts)
		USD \$1,950 (Forms 5–6 Sciences)
Student:Teacher Ratio	1:15	1:25
Ages Accepted	From Age 3 (ECD)	Forms 1 to 6
Highest Level	Grade 7	A-Level
Curriculum	Cambridge & ZIMSEC	Cambridge IGCSE, AS & A2
Methodology	Montessori	Montessori
School Hours	Full Day	Full Day
Activities	Mon–Thu, 2:30–3:30 PM	Mon–Thu, 2:30–3:30 PM
AI & Robotics	Yes — all levels	Yes — all levels
Highest Level Offered	—	A-Level
Application Fee	FREE (online)	FREE (online)
Established	7+ Years (Est. 2016)	7+ Years (Est. 2016)

1. Who We Are

A School Built on Purpose

Mutendi Montessori Day School (MMDS) is a seven-year proven institution seated at Nyeredzi Ridge Estate in Pomona, Harare, operating under the Chiratidzo Education Group, a growing continental operator for Africa and African education.

We serve learners from age three through A-Level, combining the Montessori philosophy of child-centred learning with the rigour of the Cambridge International curriculum. Our school is a day school. Children return home each afternoon to the warmth of family, while spending their days in an environment designed for deep curiosity, genuine mastery, and grounded confidence.

Nyeredzi Ridge is not merely an address. It is an estate purpose-designed for learning, with open spaces, purpose-built laboratories, and a campus building toward a 700-student capacity spanning ECD through A-Level. Every corner of MMDS is designed to honour the child in front of us.

"The Montessori method does not ask the child to adapt to the school. It asks the school to reveal the child to themselves."

Our identity is inseparable from the African heritage that surrounds us. Great Zimbabwe civilizational values of memory, mastery, and belonging inform how we build community, how we teach, and how we raise leaders who are rooted while being globally fluent.

2. Our Pillars — What Guides Us

01 Child-Led Discovery

The Montessori environment invites each learner to follow their curiosity at the right moment. Teachers are guides, not lecturers. Learning happens because the child chooses it.

02 Cambridge Rigour

From Grades 1 through A-Level, our curriculum is anchored in Cambridge International standards, preparing every student for the world's leading universities and professions.

03 African Identity

We raise learners who know where they come from. Our culture, values, and creative output are rooted in Zimbabwe's civilizational heritage, present in every school song, story, and lesson.

04 Technology & Innovation

AI, Robotics, and Computer Science are woven into every level of the school, from ECD explorations to advanced secondary coursework. We equip the next generation for the economy of tomorrow.

05 Whole-Child Wellness

Music, Art, Physical Education, and swimming are not extras; they are essential. Sport, creative expression, and physical vitality complete the education of the whole person.

06 Community Partnership

MMDS families are partners in education. Parents are welcomed into our community, kept informed, and involved in the flourishing of every child at Nyeredzi Ridge.

3. Academic Journey — ECD to A-Level

MMDS welcomes learners from age three and accompanies each child all the way through to A-Level. Every transition within the school is designed to be seamless, with the same Montessori philosophy threading through every stage of growth.

Stage	Level	Ages	Curriculum
Foundation	Preprimary ECD (ECD A & B)	Ages 3 to 6	Montessori ECD
Primary	Grades 1 to 7	Ages 6 to 13	Cambridge & ZIMSEC
Secondary	Forms 1 to 4 (O-Level)	Ages 13 to 17	Cambridge IGCSE
Advanced	Forms 5 to 6 (A-Level)	Ages 17 to 19	Cambridge AS & A2

Teaching Model

Primary School

Each subject specialist teaches one subject across all primary year groups, with two teachers per subject for consistency and continuity. Subject specialisation allows for genuine mastery on the part of both teacher and child. Class teachers provide pastoral care and integration.

Student to Teacher Ratio: 1:15

Secondary School

Secondary learners typically sit 9 to 11 subjects at O-Level. MMDS specialises in Sciences and Commercials, with Robotics and AI offered as a dedicated subject at all secondary levels. Students from our Montessori primary are encouraged to take individual sciences, benefiting from seven years of enquiry-based preparation. Combined Science is also available where appropriate.

Student to Teacher Ratio: 1:25

4. Curriculum — Subject Offerings

Primary School (9 Subjects)

#	Subject	Notes
1	Mathematics	CORE
2	English Language	CORE
3	Botany	
4	Health Sciences	
5	Zoology	
6	Matter & Astronomy	
7	Geography (Cultural & Physical)	
8	History	
9	Robotics, AI & IT	NEW

Secondary School (15 Subjects — O-Level, A-Level & Specialisms)

#	Subject	Notes
1	Mathematics	COMPULSORY
2	English Language	COMPULSORY
3	English Literature	
4	Physics	
5	Chemistry	
6	Biology	
7	Combined Sciences	
8	Geography	
9	History	
10	Economics	A-LEVEL ONLY
11	Accounting	
12	Business Studies	
13	Computer Science / IT	
14	Robotics, AI & IT	
15	Design and Technology	

5. Investment in Education — Fees & Payment

All fees are stated in US Dollars (USD). Payments may be made yearly, per term, or monthly. Online applications are free of charge.

Tuition Fees

Level	Fee per Term (USD)
ECD A & B	\$1,500
Grades 1 to 7	\$1,500
Forms 1 to 4	\$1,650
Forms 5 to 6 — Commercials & Arts	\$1,850
Forms 5 to 6 — Sciences	\$1,950

Additional Fees

Item	Amount
Application Fee (online)	FREE
Enrolment Deposit	One full term's fees — non-refundable (required at enrolment; not applied to fees)
Computer Levy	\$100 once-off per learner (all new enrolments)
Uniform Set (Full)	\$200 to \$350 annually (available at school office)
School Shuttle — Avondale & Mount Pleasant (return)	\$100 per month
Withdrawal Notice	One full term's written notice required

Payment Options

Tuition fees may be settled in any of three ways: yearly, per term, or monthly. Please contact the school office to arrange the option that best suits your family.

6. Nourishment — Meals Programme

Fresh, warm meals are served daily. Dietary requirements and allergies are carefully accommodated. Please notify the school at the time of enrolment. Weekly payment schedules are available on request from the school office.

Plan	What is Included	Cost per Term
1 Meal Plan	Lunch (warm cooked meal)	\$200
2 Meal Plan	Lunch (warm cooked meal) + One Break Snack	\$380
3 Meal Plan	Lunch + Morning Breakfast Snack + Afternoon Snack	\$470

7. School Dress — Uniform Guide

MMDS uniforms are designed to be practical, smart, and affordable. Full sets are available from the school office and are built to last approximately one year. Students are expected to be in full uniform every school day.

Primary School Uniform

- Blue Blazer
- Blue Golf Shirt
- Khaki Cargo Pants
- Khaki Cargo Shorts
- Khaki Skirt (girls)
- Primary School Jersey
- Primary School Hat
- White Golf Shirt
- Anorak / Bomber Jacket
- Tracksuit
- Book Bag
- Prefects: Green Blazer & Green Golf Shirt
- Lab Coat and Work Suit (available for practical subjects)

High School Uniform

- Orange Blazer
- Orange Golf Shirt
- Khaki Cargo Pants / Chinos
- Khaki Cargo Shorts
- Khaki Skirt (girls)
- High School Jersey
- High School Hat
- White Golf Shirt
- Anorak / Bomber Jacket
- Tracksuit
- Prefects: Green Blazer & Green Golf Shirt
- Lab Coat and Work Suit (required for Sciences and Design & Technology)

Uniform Pricing Guide (per item)

Item	Price (USD)
Blazer	\$35
Jersey	\$20
Hat	\$10
Golf Shirt	\$15

Item	Price (USD)
Khaki Shorts / Pants	\$15
Book Bag	\$10
Tracksuit	\$30
Anorak / Bomber Jacket	\$35

Full Set Estimate: \$200 to \$350 annually depending on items selected.

8. Beyond the Classroom — Extra-Curricular Activities

Activities run Monday to Thursday from 2:30 to 3:30 PM. Every activity is chosen to develop the whole learner beyond academic achievement.

"At MMDS, the afternoon is as sacred as the morning. Sport, art, and expression are not rewards for academic performance; they are the other half of a complete education."

Activity	Cost	Notes
Chess Club	FREE	Mon to Thu, all levels
Swimming	FREE per term	All levels
Athletics	FREE per term	All levels
Soccer	\$50 per term	
Hockey	\$50 per term	
Dance	\$50 per term	
Karate	\$50 per term	
Art Club	\$50 per term	
Choir	\$50 per term	
Music	\$50 per term	Instrument hire: additional \$100
Swimming Club	\$50 per term	Competitive swim squad
Basketball	\$50 per term	
Theatre & Drama	\$50 per term	
Golf	\$300 per term / \$100/mo	
Debate & Speaking	Coming Soon	All levels

9. Join Our Community — How to Enrol

Our enrolment process is designed to be simple, welcoming, and free of unnecessary barriers. Apply online at zero cost.

Required Documents

1. Copy of birth certificate
2. Copy of report from previous school
3. Copy of transfer or reference letter from previous school
4. Non-refundable deposit: one full term's fees, payable on enrolment (non-refundable)
5. Computer Levy: \$100 once-off fee for all new enrolments

Enrolment Steps

Step	Action
1	Apply Online — Visit www.mutendimontessori.com and complete the online application form free of charge. No application fee, ever.
2	Assessment — Learners in lower levels undergo a brief assessment to ensure the best learning fit, particularly for those requiring additional support.
3	Confirm Place — A full term's fees deposit is required on enrolment. This deposit is non-refundable and is separate from term fees.
4	Welcome — Our admissions team will guide you through every remaining step. Your child's MMDS journey begins.

Note on withdrawal: one full term's written notice is required before a learner departs the school.

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