# LENDY PARK



"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. ' (Prov. 22:6.)

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' Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.'

Romans 5: 3 - 5

# **Teaching Resilience Through Disappointment**

Teaching children how to handle disappointment is crucial from a Christian perspective, anchored in a biblical worldview. Disappointment is inevitable, and equipping children with the tools to navigate it fosters resilience and faith. We are doing our children a huge disservice if we always protect them from disappointment. Now is the time to teach them how to handle it effectively whiles they are in our close care. The Bible offers profound wisdom on this matter.

Scripture is replete with examples of individuals who faced disappointment yet trusted in God's plan. Joseph, despite being sold into slavery by his brothers, rose to a position of power, understanding that what others meant for harm, God used for good (Genesis 50:20). Teaching children these stories helps them see that God's plan often transcends our understanding.

Jesus himself experienced disappointment, such as when his disciples failed to understand his mission or when he wept over Jerusalem's unbelief. His response, rooted in compassion and steadfast faith, provides a perfect model for children. Encouraging them to turn to prayer in times of disappointment, as Jesus did in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:39), instils a reliance on God's strength.

Furthermore, Romans 5:3-5 highlights that suffering produces perseverance, character, and hope. Teaching children this principle helps them understand that disappointment can lead to spiritual growth. Guiding them to see challenges as opportunities to develop a closer relationship with God ensures they build a foundation of unwavering faith and trust.

## **Zimbabwe Soccer**

We are very proud to announce that Ngonidzashe Nyamazana was selected to represent Zimbabwe in the U13 team travelling to Dubai at the end of the year.

Well done, Ngonidzashe!



# Merit Awards

#### Grade 1

Candice Besa Nashe Marabada Aadilynn Nhenderere Ethan Washa

### Grade 2

Jamal Mariyano Tawonga Mikazhu Naishe Muzaeni

# Grade 3

Shaleen Gonde Angel Manyewe Rachel Mundembe Angel Nhata

#### Grade 4

Caitlin Hwenga Tuso Madzande Emily Munetsi Ezekiel Musodza

#### Grade 5

Mukundi Chidawanyika Anesu Mashumba Wesley Muchave

#### Grade 6

Joshua Chitsa Tatenda Kachidza Perfect Mhetu Chloe Taruvinga

### Grade 7

Taanashe Bodzo Nathan Magaire Munashe Mungoni Areille Ndoro Tovadaishe Shange







