# KING'S CONNECT

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#### Dear Parents/ Guardians,

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to our parent community for the way you have helped your children adapt to remote Learning on the Moodle platform. We know that many of you have been incredibly stretched over the past month as you have had to adjust to the lockdown situation. We are encouraged by the progress made and the daily rhythms of work and interaction in each of the grades. We are so proud of the efforts made by our teaching team and we know that they have been working even harder than usual to make the online environment stimulating and user-friendly.

The Board of Governors

25 May 2020

Teachers return

1 June 2020

Gr 7 return to school



#### THE ROAD FORWARD

As we heard from the Minister of Education last night, the pupils may return to school from 1 June 2020.

The Senior Management Team, Admin and Housekeeping stat

All the staff will return for a staff meeting, Covid-19 training an on 25 May 2020.

## REMOTE LEARNING PLATFORM (MOODLE)



We are greatly encouraged that the King's School, Goodwood, remote learning platform is established, and that through it our teachers are delivering educational outcomes and that our children are on track in their learning. That puts us in a strong and privileged position to keep looking after your children's education.

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We are aware that some of our parents returned to work under the Alert Level 4 and more will return under Alert Level 3 when that happens. The big question for all of us is, how do we best serve those parents who need their children to be in a safe place like the school? In this eventuality, please do communicate with your child's class teacher and or the Principal, so that we are aware of your situation. It would be helpful to us as we plan the way forward.

Thank you to our parents who have supported these initiatives. Continue to encourage your children to do their best.

There will be no formal assessment at the end of Term 2. We are awaiting guidelines from the WCED and ISASA in this regard.

We have been advised that the ECD section cannot open as yet. Aftercare and Early care facilities are to remain under lockdown until further notice.



#### **URGENT SURVEY**

To assist us with planning the return to school of our learners, it would be appreciated if you could complete the following Survey.

Please press control and click to follow the link below in order to complete and submit your survey by no later than Monday, 25 May 2020.

#### https://forms.gle/fm1whdmGzHrPRdRU8

This is a very complex time in which we find ourselves and your co-operation in this regard will be greatly appreciated.

#### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Our staff and children's health and safety is of vital importance. Please be rest assured that all the COVID-19 Health and Safety protocols will be followed at all times.

We want to thank Mr David Le Roux of REACT 24 who decontaminated/sanitised the school building, at no cost. His kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.

More information with regard to the King's School Guidelines on returning to school after COVID-19 as well as Health and Safety protocols for all Teachers and Learners will be available on our web page soon.

#### ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT STAFFING

It is with sadness that we inform you that Mrs Carmen Carelse's tenure at King's School will come to an end at the end of May 2020. We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to Carmen for all that she has done for the finance department. She will be sorely missed.



### **WELCOME**

We would like to welcome our new Bookkeeper, Mrs Unity Chipanga who joins our team from 1 June 2020.

Unity is married and a Mom to two children. She is a qualified Accountant. Unity has worked in various positions within the finance and banking industry, non-government organisations and as an entrepreneur.

Unity's values are respect, education, communication, trust, teamwork, professionalism and the word of God.

#### **SCHOOL FEES**

In our previous communication to parents, we noted that while we were sympathetic to the difficulties being experienced during the time of lockdown, we still urged all families to continue to meet their school fee obligations as per normal.

If you are experiencing challenges due to COVID-19, please do not hesitate to communicate directly with the Principal at <a href="mailto:principal@kings.org.za">principal@kings.org.za</a>.

These matters will be tabled at Finance Board on an individual basis.

The Finance Board is processing the queries of those families who have already made contact with having been affected by the COVDI-19 situation i.e. work hours being cut, salary cuts or temporarily being laid off.

Please do not see the fact that there is no physical school attendance as a reason not to fulfil your financial commitment to the school. Our teachers are working very hard to provide the pupils with online learning activities so adequate teaching and learning is taking place.

Remember our staff are dependent on your payment of fees for their salaries.

God bless each and every King's School family!

Take care and see you all soon!

Yours faithfully

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