

KING'S CONNECT 09/ 2022
November 2022



Dear King's School Family

Thank you to all our parents for your wonderful support at our recent first ever Night Market! We appreciate the assistance of all parents who came alongside the teachers to man the various stalls. This was the first event of this nature since 2019. So it was with great anticipation that looked forward to the in-person engagement with parents in this type of setting.

The Night Market realised a profit in excess of R37 000.00 for which we are most grateful. All these profits will go towards the upgrading of our existing

computer lab which will require at least R 110 000.00 to complete.

FAREWELL

Our best wishes go to Mr Edmunds and Aunt Hester-Lynne who both are retiring at the end of this year. Mrs Gillian Petersen will be taking up a post at a WCED school in 2023. Our sincere thanks and appreciation to these wonderful teachers as they embark on new ventures. You will be sorely missed.

Deut 31:8 'and the Lord, He is the one who goes before you. He will be with you; He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.'

UNIFORMS

If you ordered uniforms earlier this term, you will be contacted as soon as they are ready for collection.

MUSIC, ARTS AND CULTURE

King's School will be launching the music school in collaboration with the Wet Rain Academy. Classes will commence in February 2023. Fees are paid monthly in advance. As per the previous information costs will be R 425.00 per month. More detail to follow next year.

SPORT



King's School participates in the regional Mini Cricket fixtures in Term 1 and Term 4 as our summer sport and Hockey in Term 2 & Term 3 for our winter sport. These codes are offered for the under 7 and 8's. Chess is offered as an extra mural for Grades 1 – 7.

CURRICULAR AND EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES FOR 2023

King's School will be offering Coding from Gr 1 – Gr 6 in 2023. We will be using the Code4Kids curriculum. As per the fee structure schedule there is an annual licencing fee of R 265 per child per annum. This will allow the individual child full access to the full package.



STAFFING FOR 2023

Our staffing for our classes for 2023 are as follows:

- ECD – 2.5 – 5 years olds will be under the care and supervision of Mrs Tatum Forbes and Ms Portia Mbiyoza
- Gr R – Mrs Monique Gouws and Ms Natasia Appolis
- Gr 1 – Mrs Stephanie Schroder
- Gr 2 – Mrs Nicole Schell
- Gr 3 – Mrs Lucy Comminos
- Gr 4 – Mrs Ilna Jordaan
- Gr 5 – Ms Emily Swanepoel
- Gr 6 – Ms Rose May
- Ms Chelsea Pegram will be teaching Maths for the Intermediate Phase and coding for Gr 1 – 6 and she will be overseeing the operations in the computer lab.
- Mr Ntobeko Mjijwa will oversee the Visual art programme from Gr 1 – Gr 6 as well as teaching conversation IsiXhosa to Gr 1 – Gr 6's.



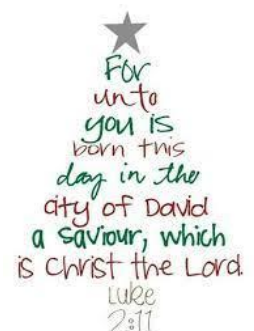
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COMMUNICATION

Just a reminder that we are moving towards **paperless communication**. To this end, all our communication will be posted on the following platforms:

- **D6 Connect.** Ensure that you download the APP. The logo alongside is what must be downloaded. We have changed from the Communicator. Should you need assistance in doing this please contact **D6 directly on 087 820 0080** or contact the office.
- Emails from respective class teachers or the office.
- Class WhatsApp groups to communicate official information ONLY.

We discourage unwarranted and inflammatory tones and types of communication that harms more than heals the school's reputation.





2023 SCHOOL FEES

Each child received a copy of the 2023 Fee Schedule in their child's message book earlier this term.

An explanation of the Fee Schedule is as follows:

Gr RR: Screening Fee (R300) (Eyes & Ears) : This is a once off payment for Gr RR. This amount is **not** deducted off your debit order and must be paid separately via EFT or Speedpoint.

Gr R: Book Fee – R300 (Workbooks – Gr R) This is a once off payment for Gr R pupils. This amount can be paid via EFT or Speedpoint or will be deducted off your Debit Order on 1st February 2023.

Gr 1 – 3 Book Fee – R1 000: This is a once off payment. The Foundation Phase do not use text books and all resources/worksheets/readers/exercise books form part of this amount. The amount can be paid via EFT or Speedpoint or will be deducted off the February debit order.

Gr 4 – 7 Design & Technology – R530: This is a once off payment payable via EFT or Speedpoint or will be deducted off your February Debit Order.

Gr 1 – 7 Computer Fee – R265: This amount is also a once off payment payable via EFT or Speedpoint or will be deducted off your February Debit Order. This amount will go towards our computer lab.

Just a reminder that school fees are payable by or on the 1st of each month. Should your debit order be deducted on 15th – eg. January Fees are deducted on 15th December for January; February Fees are deducted on 15 January etc.

Notice Period: Please be advised that we require a 3 (Three) month notice period should you wish to remove your child at any time. The After Care require a 1 (One) month notice period. As per the Financial Contract, only the official Notice Period Form will be accepted – no verbal or email request will suffice.

Thank you to all who pay their fees timeously each month.





2023 SCHOOL TERMS

<i>TERM</i>	<i>TERM STARTS</i>	<i>TERM ENDS</i>
<i>First term</i>	<i>18 January 2023</i>	<i>31 March 2023</i>
<i>Second term</i>	<i>12 April 2023</i>	<i>23 June 2023</i>
<i>Third term</i>	<i>18 July 2023</i>	<i>29 September 2023</i>
<i>Fourth term</i>	<i>10 October 2023</i>	<i>6 December 2023</i>

2023 PUBLIC AND SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

<i>20 March 2023</i>	<i>School holiday</i> <i>School and aftercare will be closed</i>
<i>21 March 2023</i>	<i>Human Rights Day</i>
<i>7 April 2023</i>	<i>Good Friday</i>
<i>10 April 2023</i>	<i>Family Day</i>
<i>27 April 2023</i>	<i>Freedom Day</i>
<i>28 April 2023</i>	<i>School holiday</i> <i>School and aftercare will be closed</i>
<i>1 May 2023</i>	<i>Workers' Day</i>
<i>16 June 2023</i>	<i>Youth Day</i>
<i>9 August 2023</i>	<i>Women's Day</i>
<i>24 September 2023</i>	<i>Heritage Day</i>
<i>25 September 2023</i>	<i>Public Holiday</i>



From the Principal's pen

I would like to wish all our King's School parents, pupils, staff, and friends a safe, happy, and holy Christmas and holiday season.

I would like to acknowledge the contribution of our staff, parents, and pupils to King's School in 2022.

'You can dream, create, design, and build the most wonderful ideas in the world, but it requires people to make the dream a reality.' *Walt Disney*

The reality is that the learning experiences and projects that have taken place this year could not have happened without a great deal of commitment and support from the staff, parents, and pupils.

The whole staff is to be applauded for how they have embraced the rewards and challenges of fast tracking the return to 'normality,' post COVID-19 regulations.

The positive way in which the Senior Primary approached the camp at Wortelgat in March this year. The enthusiasm with which the Gr 4 -7's approached the coding lessons. The exuberance displayed by all the children as they whole heartedly participated in the annual musical – 'Singing in the rain.' Great memories indeed.

I am privileged to be a part of a school with highly capable and committed teachers, support, and Admin staff.

One of the critical factors of any successful school is the staff. There has never been a time when being a teacher has been more demanding or challenging than during this global pandemic.

To our teachers and support staff, *thank-you* for your energy, passion, and enthusiasm. What a privilege to be able to witness the joy that comes with the understanding or satisfaction of a problem solved or the wonder of living new adventures through the world of literature.

Our teachers are privileged each day to participate in their pupil's academic journey. They recognize and applaud just how hard their students try. They celebrate their pupils' achievements whether they be great or small and they share with pride the progress their pupils make with their learning.

I conclude this message by offering the King's School Goodwood community my absolute best wishes for the festive season. I hope you all have an opportunity to experience the real meaning of Christmas, enjoy the festivities of the New Year and spend quality time with loved ones.

**May God fill your life with Love, Joy and Peace
this Holiday Season and throughout the New Year.**

I look forward to welcoming everyone back for the start of the new school year in 2023.

Finally, please note that our **Parent Satisfaction Survey for 2022 is now live**. We would love to receive your comments on what we are doing well and areas where you feel we may be able to improve.

See survey link: <https://forms.office.com/r/nVadhSRd6x>

The survey will run ***until the 9 December 2022***.

We wish you a very Merry Christmas! Have a happy and safe holiday season!

**N. ONTONG
PRINCIPAL**

