



# KING'S CONNECT

## Dear Parents

As we reach the midpoint of the term, we take this opportunity to reflect on the incredible achievements of our students and the exciting events that have taken place at King's School. It has been a busy and rewarding few weeks, and we are thrilled to share some highlights with you.



### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Our students have demonstrated exceptional dedication to their studies.

### 2024 SYSTEMIC RESULTS

King's School achieved a 100% pass rate for 2024 overall with all our pupils passing to the next grade respectively for 2025.

| GRADE 3     |                      |                   |
|-------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Mathematics | King's School result | Provincial result |
|             | 100%                 | 55.9%             |
| English     | 100%                 | 45.4%             |
| GRADE 6     |                      |                   |
| Mathematics | King's School result | Provincial result |
|             | 83.3%                | 41.5%             |
| English     | 100%                 | 41.5%             |

We are very proud of our pupils and teachers who worked so hard to achieve such magnificent results.

Teachers have been impressed with the overall academic performance across all Grades, and we encourage students to keep up their hard work as we approach the second half of the term.

### Dates to Diarise

#### **24 & 25 February**

Gr RR – Ear Screenings

#### **27 February**

Gr 1 – 7 Sports Day

#### **7 March**

Gr RR Eye Screenings

#### **14 March**

Grandparents' Tea

#### **21 March**

Human Rights Day

#### **25 & 26 March**

Parent Consultations

#### **28 March**

1<sup>st</sup> Term Ends

## VALENTINE'S DAY AND CANSA PRESENTATION

Great fun was had by all on Valentines' Day!

Besides the dancing and laughter, Ms Anthea Lewis from Tygerberg Hospital gave an informative talk to the children regarding cancer and was presented with a huge bag filled to the brim with the generous donations of chocolates received.

These chocolates were distributed and very gratefully received by patients at the CANSA Tygerberg Care Home and the TLC staff and doctors.

Our sincere thanks to everyone who donated so generously.



## SPORTS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

There are plenty of exciting events lined up for the coming weeks, including:

Our sports development program across the grades have once again proven to be successful. Pupils are very busy practicing their singsongs for the Spirit Cup competition as well as preparing for the athletics on the **27 February**.



## **SPORTS DAY 27 FEBRUARY (GRADES 1 – 7)**

Just a reminder the athletics/ sports day will take place at the Tygerberg Track in Parow. Parents and family are most welcome to attend. There will be a tuck shop facility. Parents are welcome to bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy during the morning.

The children will be travelling to the sports grounds by bus accompanied by their respective teachers. The bus will leave promptly at 8am! The children **MUST** return to King's School on the bus where they will be dismissed from their classroom.

## **HARMONICA GUITAR EXCLUSIVE**

Please see the note below from Mrs Mariana Hanse regarding the free guitar trail lesson offer!

## **GRANDPARENTS TEA. 14 MARCH**

We will be hosting the annual Grandparents Tea on the **14 March**. A note went out in the message books this week in this regard. Once we receive the reply slips returned, invitations will be sent to be given to the respective grandparents. We request that you RSVPs are returned timeously for catering purposes.



## **GRADE 5 – 7 CAMP**

The Gr 5 – 7 pupils will be going on camp from the **17 – 19 March**. This year the camp will be at the Rocklands campsite in Simons Town. Camp costs are R 2100.00 p/pupil.

We encourage pupils to attend the camp. The program is geared towards a range of life skills activities, which will be of great benefit to the pupils, especially our Gr 7's who are going to high school next year.

## **ASSESSMENT WEEK. 6 – 13 MARCH**

The Grade 4 – 7 write assessments this term from 6 – 13 March.

## PARENT CONSULTATIONS - 24 – 26 March

The teachers will display time slot lists (closer to the event) outside their classrooms for parents to choose a suitable time in which to have a one-on-one report back session with your child's teacher.



## REMINDERS

- **Uniform Policy:** A gentle reminder to ensure students adhere to the school's uniform guidelines. Please take note of the Uniform Code and Hygiene Code excerpt below from the Prospectus.

### Uniform Code

#### Girls

- *Girls' hair must be neat, clean and out of their eyes. Shoulder length hair must be tied up either in plaits or a ponytail. This applies to all girls from Gr RRR – Gr 7.*
- *Hair accessories may only be **plain white**. No fancy clips / grips may be worn. (Gr R – Gr 7).*
- *Girls may only wear gold or silver small 'sleepers' or studs.*
- *No jewellery is permitted except for medical bracelets / chains.*
- *No tattoos are permitted.*
- *No nail polish may be worn on either fingernails or toenails.*

#### Boys

- *Boys' hair needs to be neat, clean and out of their eyes.*
- *No earrings may be worn.*
- *No tattoos are permitted.*

### Hygiene Code

- *Parents are requested to teach their children the importance of personal hygiene. i.e. daily bathing / showering, regularly washing hands, and brushing teeth.*
- *Nails must be kept short and clean.*
- *Hair to be washed regularly, brushed and checked for lice.*

**HEALTH & SAFETY:** We continue to prioritize the well-being of our students.

Accompanying this newsletter is a basic outline of how to enter the school parking area. If you have any queries, please feel free to pop into the office for an explanation.

We must emphasize the importance of drivers and parents to be aware of children's safety when using the parking lot.

Thank you for your continued support in making King's School a vibrant and dynamic learning environment. We look forward to an exciting second half of the term!

**Warm regard  
N. ONTONG  
PRINCIPAL**



### Exclusive Guitar Performance + Free Trial Lesson – One Day Only!

We are excited to announce a special musical experience coming to our school! A highly experienced and well-established guitar teacher, a respected musician in the industry, will be visiting for an exclusive live performance. Even more exciting, this performance will feature a collaboration with our music teacher, who will be singing alongside the guitarist for a truly inspiring musical showcase!

As part of this event, we are offering students a free trial guitar lesson – valid for one day only! This lesson will take place in a fun, engaging group setting, allowing students to explore the basics of guitar playing alongside their peers. Whether your child is a complete beginner or has some experience, this is a fantastic opportunity to discover their musical talent.

Date: 24 February 2025

Performance: During assembly

If your child would like to attend the free trial lesson, please sign up at the school office. Spaces are limited, so be sure to secure a spot! We look forward to an exciting day of music and inspiration!

Warm regards,  
Mariana Hanse