



## KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**INTEGRITY, LOYALTY, KINDNESS AND RESPECT.**

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### **FROM THE HEADMISTRESS' DESK**

Thank you to all the Kingfisher Private School stakeholders who completed the OISESA surveys. We are grateful to you for taking the time to do so. The OISESA site visit will be from the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> of May. The results from the surveys will have been collated by then. Some stakeholders might be asked to join focus groups during the site visit. The reason for this is usually because a particular topic needs to be explored more.

We appeal to parents, who have changed their cell phone numbers, to inform the school immediately. If your child is involved in an emergency, we will not be able to contact you. Furthermore, you are not receiving our regular and comprehensive communication, which is vital for you to be able to support your child and know what is going on at school. We are finding it more and more difficult to work with the pupils whose parents are totally uninformed and unaware of what is happening at school and with their child/ren. Educating a pupil is a collaborative and ongoing process. Some parents believe that dropping your child off at school and fetching them later, is all that is required. More than ever, parental support and involvement contribute to a well-rounded and happy pupil.

A reminder to parents that the school is closed next week (29 April – 03 May). All pupils from Grade 7 to 12, will have work issued for the week. We expect this work and any studying to be carried out diligently, as examinations are just around the corner and most Grade 4 to 12 pupils are going on tour.

### **STAR OF THE WEEK**

Theme of the week: Listening

Grade 1: Esperanaca Candiero

Grade 2: Mulalo Maluta

Grade 3: Mahilet Abyo

Next week's theme: Handwriting and Presentation

### **FOUNDATION PHASE WORKSHOP AT PHALABORWA ACADEMY**

Mrs. Koekemoer and Mrs. Jordaan attended a workshop for foundation phase teachers last Saturday morning. The workshop focused on concentration and was most worthwhile.

## **GRADE 4 ART PROJECT: TISSUE FLOWERS**



## **CHESS MATCH AT BEN VOSTER**

Kingfisher's chess pupils participated in a Mopani District Chess Tournament hosted by Ben Vorster this past Saturday.

Our pupils enjoyed the event and gained valuable experience participating in the tournament.

We look forward to the next chess tournament being held at Laerskool Tzaneen in May.



## LIMPOPO ENGLISH SUBJECT CONFERENCE 2024 - STANFORD LAKE COLLEGE



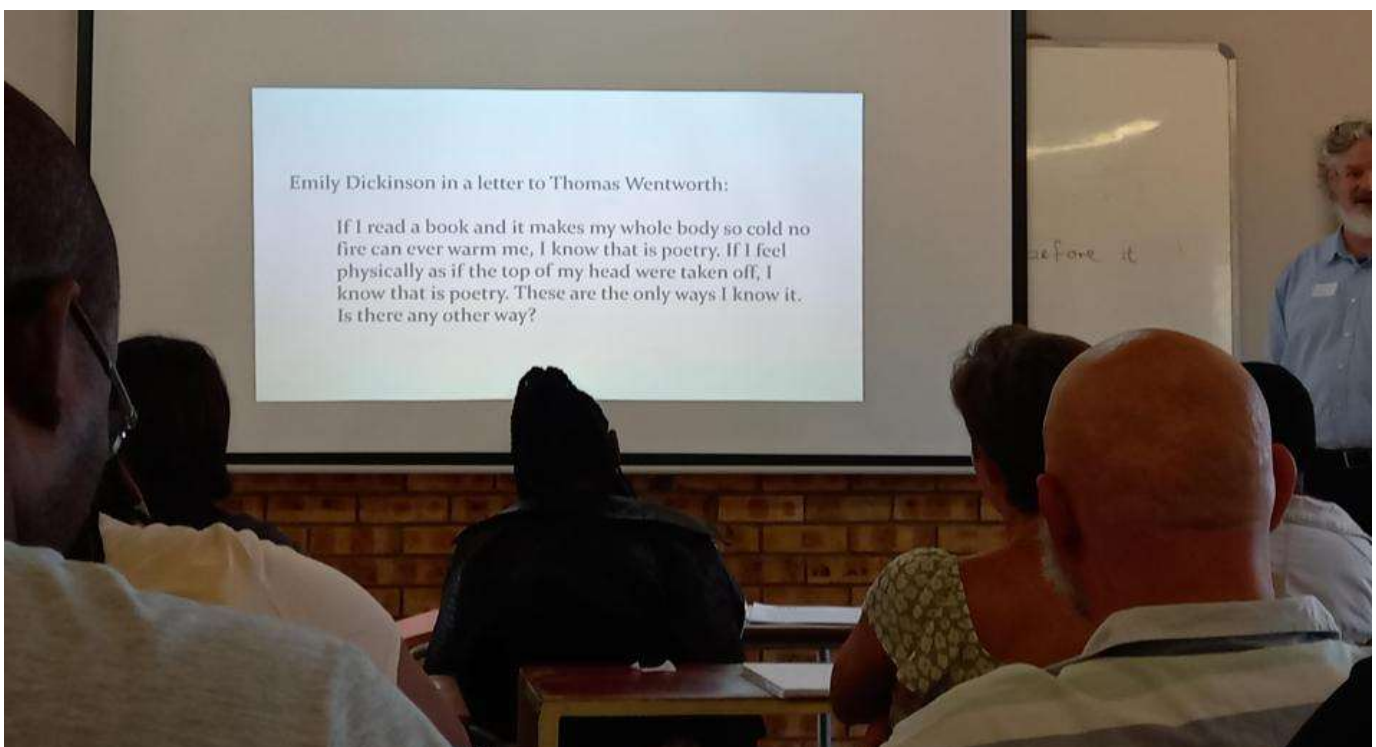
The annual Limpopo English Conference was held on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> of April at Stanford Lake College. The conference is a gathering of IEB English teachers in Limpopo and is hosted by the English department staff at Stanford Lake college. This year, the focus was on Gr 12 and our FET English teacher, Miss Hlungwani attended the event. Among the highlights were discussions on the Grade 12 English set works (Shakespeare's Othello and the prescribed novels), the Common Assessment Task for 2024, and the exploration of Film Study as the 4th Genre.

**1. Grade 12 English Set Works:** With an emphasis on literary analysis and critical engagement, teachers had the opportunity to delve deep into the prescribed set works for Grade 12 English. These discussions provided valuable insights into the themes, characters, and stylistic elements of the selected texts, equipping teachers with the tools to guide pupils through a profound understanding and appreciation of literature.

**2. Common Assessment Task for 2024:** Teachers received updates on the CAT for 2024, including approaches to assessment methodologies and strategies for fostering comprehensive literacy skills among pupils.

**3. Film Study/4th Genre:** The conference explored the integration of Film Study as a dynamic component of English assessments. By embracing film as the 4th Genre, teachers can engage pupils in multidimensional analyses, encouraging them to dissect visual narratives with the same rigour applied to traditional literary texts.

Through collaborative exchanges and thought-provoking sessions, the English Subject Conference at Stanford Lake College inspired and empowered teachers to implement new instruction strategies, foster a love for language that transcends the confines of the classroom, and inspire the pupils to become articulate communicators and critical thinkers.





## **FIREFIGHTERS AND 'SHE' REPRESENTATIVE TRAINING**

On April 17th, 2024, we held SHE representative and firefighter training sessions, led by Mr. Nicholas Van Der Nest from United Health and Safety. Both training sessions were enjoyed by all the participants. Our SHE representatives are Ms. Granny Mlahleki and Mr. Stuart Chihona, while Uncle Chris and Uncle Jerry serve as our firefighters. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mrs. Rudolph and everyone who made this training possible.



## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

World Malaria Day	25 April	
Civvies day	26 April	
Friendly Chess Match KF vs Meridian Prep and College	25 April	
College Soccer and Netball Match KF vs Meridian	24 April	14:30 – 16:30
Freedom Day	27 April	
Mid-Term Break	29 April – 03 May	
Workers's Day	01 May	
School Starts	06 May	
College Tour	06 May	
Grade 7 Tour	07 May	
Grade 4 -6 Tour	08 May	
Grade 4 – 7 and College Tour ends	10 May	
Muffins For Moms	10 May	

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Educator:	Mrs M Koekemoer (staff)	01 May
Grade R:	Vutlhari Shirinda	25 April
	Rorisang Manzini	02 May
Grade 1:	Princess Mgimeti	03 May
Grade 3:	Masana Mgiba	03 May
Grade 4:	Didintle Moletsane	01 May
Grade 5:	Naledi Mabasa	07 May
Grade 6:	Rifumo Shirinda	02 May
Grade 8:	Hletelo Chauke	01 May
Grade 9:	Xihlovo Mkhabele	06 May

## PUBLIC HOLIDAYS



## SPUR EVENING DATES

Term	Date (Tuesday)	Grade
2	14 May	Grade 8
3	13 August	Grade 9
4	05 November	Grade 7

## FRIENDLY CHESS MATCH AGAINST MERIDIAN COLLEGE (ALL PHASES)

There will be a friendly chess match on Thursday, the 25th of April. Pupils selected to play in the friendly matches received their participation letters last week.

Pupils must be dressed in their formal school uniform.

We wish all our chess players the best of luck for their matches.

## ISASA TEACHERS' TRAINING COURSE DATES

Get Them Reading 18 May 08:30 – 12:00

- Mrs van Rensburg, Mrs Jordaan, Ms Mlahleki, Ms Deacon and Ms Hlungwani will be attending the course online.

## **TERM 2 TEST TIMETABLE AND MID-YEAR TIMETABLE**

The test timetable was issued to all college pupils on Wednesday 20 March.

## **INTERSEN PHASE MID-YEAR TIMETABLE**

The exam timetable and exam breakdowns were issued to the Intersen Phase pupils last week. Pupils must please make sure that they begin preparing for their exams in good time.

## **FOUNDATION PHASE PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS**

Parents of Foundation Phase pupils will be allocated specific time slots to meet with their child's register teacher to discuss their achievements from term one. These meetings are scheduled to last 25 minutes each. Adhering to your allocated time slot is crucial to ensure that all parents have an equal opportunity to engage with the teachers.

## **IP REPORT CYCLE ONE**

Parents of Intersen Phase pupils please note that Report Cycle One reports will be issued on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May from 14:30 -16:00. There will also be parent meetings during this time. Reports must be picked up by parents and no reports will be sent home with the pupils.

## **TRITECH SCIENCE EXPOSITION SCHOOL ROUND**

The Trittech Science Exposition school round will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2024 at Kingfisher Private School from 14:00 hours to 17:30. The event is compulsory for all grade 7, 8 and 9 pupils. The pupils are expected to be smartly dressed. All participants are to organise their transport accordingly.

## **INTERSEN PHASE UNIFORM, HAT AND STATIONERY CHECK**

A reminder to the Intersen Phase pupils that there will be a uniform, hat and stationery check on Monday 06 May. Pupils must please come to school with all the required stationery and their hats every day.

## **COLLEGE TOUR**

The College tour will take place from the 6<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2024. We will be going to Mankele Mountain Biking and Resort. The due date for is the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2024. Parents are encouraged to pay for their children. When making a payment, please make use of the following reference- College Tour and the name which you use for your child's school account e.g. College Tour - THEKISO022. We hope to have all College pupils on board, as it will be an adventurous and educational trip.

## **SCHOOL HATS - FOUNDATION PHASE**

Please remember, **NO HAT NO PLAY**. Please write your name on your hat and do not share hats.

## **PAP DONATIONS**

Grade 2s, don't forget to bring in your pap donations for the children at the drop-off centre.

## **INTERSEN PHASE TOUR**

Intersen Phase dates:

- Grade 7: 7-10 May (3 nights) Price R2500
- Grade 4-6: 8-10 May (2 nights) Price R2200

The Intersen Phase annual tour final payment date has now closed.

If you have paid for the tour, please remind your parents to send proof of payment to Mrs van Zyl in finance. Anyone who has not paid will be staying behind at school.

Indemnity forms will be issued in the next week for those who have paid. These forms are extremely important. Any pupil who does not return the indemnity form, will not be allowed to leave the school on the day of the tour.

Pupils not attending the tour are reminded that they must attend school during the week of 7-10 May 2024.

## **MUFFINS FOR MOMS**



## **IP TEDDY BEAR PICNIC FUN AFTERNOON**

On Friday, 24 August 2024, we are having a Plushy Picnic afternoon and you are invited to join in! For an amount of R70.00, you will get a party pack with yummy goodies and be able to have plenty of fun!

So, come and join in the fun...

Ask Mom and Dad to fetch you at 16:00. We have all afternoon to have fun!

Please fill in the form below and bring it with your money. Hand it to your register teacher before the 14<sup>th</sup> of May 2024.

ⓈUnfortunately, we will not be able to accept late RSVPs as there is catering involved.

## **WORLD MALARIA DAY**



## **PHOTO DAY**

It's coming up on May 14<sup>th</sup>! Get ready to smile for the camera!

## **SPORTS DAY**

Our Intersen Phase will be playing soccer and netball against other schools on May 14th. Please make transport arrangements.

## **COLLEGE SOCCER AND NETBALL MATCHES**

The college pupils will play friendly soccer and netball matches against Meridian College on Wednesday 24 April 2024 during their co-curricular activity time. The matches will start at 14:30 we expect to be finish by 16:30.

## **CO CURRICULARS**

### **CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – TERM 2, 2024**

Our co-curricular activities will start at 14:15. We encourage all pupils to participate in at least one activity, as it is an excellent opportunity for them to learn new skills and build friendships. Please ensure that your child is aware of the necessary transport arrangements and adheres to the appropriate uniform requirements for their chosen activities. Note that long-sleeve shirts under soccer jerseys and slops will not be permitted.



## **CO-CURRICULARS DRESS CODE**

Blue boxer shorts, school golf shirt or alternatively the house T-shirt, white socks and tackies.

## **HOUSE T-SHIRT ORDERS**

To order a House T-shirt, please write the name of the pupil on an envelope and send it to Reception with an amount of R150.

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

### **ITEMS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL**

Parents, please take note that no items such as food, stationery, clothes, sports equipment and money may be brought to school during school hours. Please ensure that your child/ren has all they need for the school day. Items will not be taken in at Reception and please do not ask a groundsman or worker to give the items to your child/ren.

### **PARENTS - YOUR STATEMENTS**

Please remember the statements are sent out on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. If you haven't received one, please email Mrs van Zyl to request one. We have parents with email addresses that are no longer working, and who have not responded to the request to supply us with a new email address. Use this email to request your statement: [finance@kingfisherschool.co.za](mailto:finance@kingfisherschool.co.za)

### **MARKED BELONGINGS/LOST PROPERTY**

Please make sure that all your belongings (stationery, clothes, shoes, lunch box) are clearly marked with your name and that you look after them carefully. The procedure for lost property is as follows.

***Pupils will be allowed to look in the box on Wednesdays and Fridays from 07:00 – 07:10.***

***Please mark all items with the full names and surnames. If an item has been passed down to the younger sibling, please re-mark the item with the full name and surname.***

### **AFTERCARE FEES 2024**

Aftercare fees for 2024 are R468.77 per month. Children can also attend aftercare on a casual basis, which must be arranged with Mrs Dawson at reception, in advance. Daily rate: R 29,74.

### **PARENTS CONTACT INFORMATION AND OTHER DETAILS**

Please inform the school of any changes in your contact information, names, addresses, phone numbers, etc.

Should an emergency occur, and you have not informed us of your new contact details, we will not be able to get hold of you. While your WhatsApp number can change on the group chat, the office does not have access to these groups, and they only work with the details that you supplied to the school when you enrolled your child/ren.

## **HATS AND SHIRTS ORDERS**

Please email Proof of payment to [admin2@kingfisherschool.co.za](mailto:admin2@kingfisherschool.co.za) with child's name, grade and item as reference when paying for Hats and Shirts via EFT, e.g. SusanGr5 Shirts.

We now offer bigger hats for sale, but we only have a limited amount in stock. Here are the available sizes:

<b>S/M Child</b>	<b>R195</b>
<b>M/L Child</b>	<b>R200</b>
<b>Adult S/M</b>	<b>R220</b>
<b>Adult M/L</b>	<b>R220</b>
<b>Peak Cap</b>	<b>R115</b>

## **ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE NEWSLETTER**

Parents can advertise in the newsletter, as too can their businesses be advertised. One advertisement for one newsletter costs R25. Payment can be made to Mrs Dawson at Reception. The advertisement must be emailed to [reception@kingfisherschool.co.za](mailto:reception@kingfisherschool.co.za) in Word and this must be emailed the Friday before the Wednesday when the newsletter goes out.

## **KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL LUNCH BAGS**



***lunch bags for sale  
only R350 contact number  
0835365772 /0820869627***





## **TEACHING POST – FOUNDATION PHASE – PERMANENT**

### **VACANCY:**

1. Grade one – English medium school

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. **Mother-tongue English speaker is an advantage.**
2. Recognised teaching qualifications, i.e. A Higher Diploma in Education or a Degree in Education.
3. Teachers who apply must be committed, innovative and enthusiastic about the growth and development of our school.
4. Sound communication skills, people skills and a team player.
5. Involvement in co-curricular activities.
6. **SACE registered.**
7. **Please do not apply if you are not residing in Phalaborwa.**

### **POST LEVEL: 1**

### **APPLICATIONS AND C.V.'S:**

To be e-mailed to: [reception@kingfishersschool.co.za](mailto:reception@kingfishersschool.co.za)

Contact number for queries: (015) 781 2410  
(Mrs Dawson)

**CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS:** 24 May 2024

**POST STARTS:** 08 July 2024

The Board of Governors reserves the right not to make an appointment.

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**Mrs Renée Rudolph**  
**Headmistress**

