



KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE HEADMISTRESS' DESK:

Good day Kingfisher family,



Dear Kingfisher family

Welcome to Term 2!

Our grounds are alive again with excitement and energy as we look forward to a new term with new opportunities for learning and growing!

Our new teacher, Mrs Bothma has arrived! We are privileged to have her. See more of her on the next page.

The College is participating at the "Winter Games" in Polokwane this coming Saturday. May they travel safely, excel and keep the Kingfisher-name high in all divisions. *"The scoreboard doesn't build character. How you chase it does."* (Adapted from John Wooden)

On the 24th of April, the grade 12-pupils are having their matric farewell-function. An absolute highlight of their year! We can't wait to post photos after the event.

The Fledglings and grade R-playground has had a dramatic make-over! Come see for yourself how a child's dreams were fulfilled and roads without potholes...are still possible in Phalaborwa! (Just beware of the Checkers sixty-sixty bikes driven by our own drivers!) A full report and photos will be in the next newsletter. For those who can't wait, please "look and like" on our Facebook-page.

Take note that during the week of 27 April - 1 May, there will be no-school due to the long weekends. Make sure to make the necessary arrangements, please.

This term is extremely busy: Indoors and outdoors. Please be aware of your child/ children's responsibilities, activities and especially their mental health. They are children for such a short while, therefore it's of utmost importance to invest in their growing phases and to be a role model in all situations at all times. It takes a village and we are grateful to be part of yours!

Let's make this term the best one ever!

God bless.

STAFF

A hearty welcome to Mrs Tuane Bothma! Mrs Bothma will be teaching in the Intersen Phase.

She is an enthusiastic netball coach and seasoned referee. We are excited to welcome her into the Kingfisher family.



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

ENTREPRENEURS DAY

On Friday, 27 March 2026, our Grade 8 and 9 learners hosted a vibrant and highly successful Entrepreneurs' Day on the final day of the school term. The event provided learners with an exciting opportunity to apply their business knowledge in a practical setting, as a wide variety of stalls were set up offering delicious homemade food, refreshing beverages, creative products, and engaging games. Learners demonstrated strong entrepreneurial skills, including marketing, financial management, customer service, and teamwork, while working collaboratively to run their businesses. The atmosphere throughout the day was energetic and positive, with enthusiastic support from learners, teachers, and staff. We extend our sincere gratitude to the Grade 8 and 9, teachers, staff, as well as to the parents for their valuable contributions in making the day a success.





FLEDGLINGS AND GRADE R PLAYGROUND

The Fledglings and Grade Rs were welcomed with the most wonderful surprise! Their whole playground was revamped during the holidays. What a joy to be in the pre-school!

More on this in the next newsletter! Make sure to share and like on our Facebook page.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-curricular activities for Foundation and Intersen Phase will start on Monday (College netball & soccer has already started).

Please motivate your child/ren to commit. **"A healthy mind = a healthy body"**.

Please take note that there will be no co-curriculars on Tuesday due to a staff development session. Aftercare continues as usual.

MITCHELL'S HOUSE WINTER GAMES

We are pleased to inform you that Kingfisher **College** has been invited to participate in the Annual Winter Games at Mitchell's House in Polokwane.

The event will take place on **Saturday, 18 April 2026**, with games commencing at **08:00**.

Kindly ensure that an amount of **R300.00** is paid to cover transport costs by Thursday the 16th of April.

We encourage all selected learners to participate as we proudly represent our school. Let us show our spirit by turning up in numbers and striving for success in this exciting tournament!

GRADES 4 – 12 REPORT HANDOUTS AND PARENT MEETINGS

Intersen Phase pupils must please note there will be parent meetings on Tuesday 21 April and Thursday 23 April from 16:00 – 18:30. Parents will be required to attend a 10-minute meeting on one of these days where they will be given their children's Report Cycle One reports. Further information and the opportunity to book time slots are available to the parents on the class WhatsApp groups.

MATRIC FAREWELL

The grade 12 pupils are getting ready for their matric farewell, and it promises to be a night to remember! All parents, teachers and pupils are welcome to come and watch the procession.

Date: Friday 24 April 2026

Venue: Cajori Hotel

Time: 17:15- 18:00



INTERNET AND AI INFORMATION SESSIONS

Every child and parent should be fully informed and aware of the dangers and consequences of abusing the internet and AI. Emma Saidler, South Africa's expert on social media law, will present in video format, information about this vital subject. These presentations will take place at the school from 17:00 on the following dates:

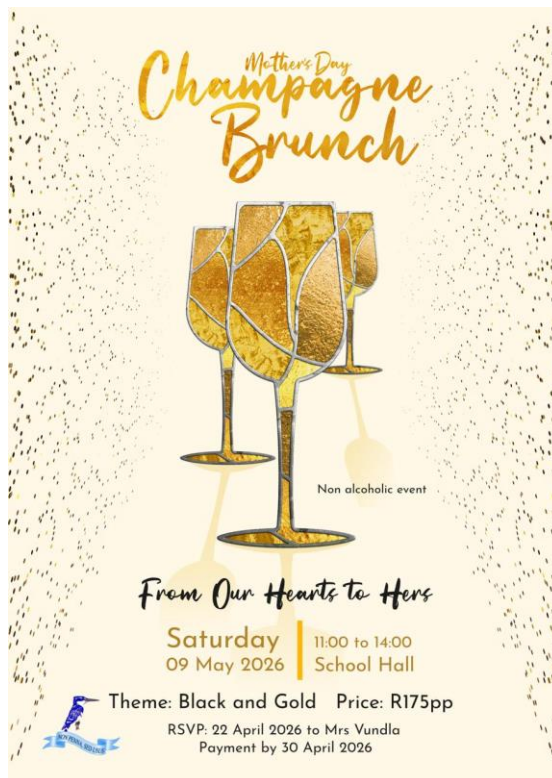
- Grades 5 – 7 pupils and parents: Tuesday 05 May
- College parents and pupils: Thursday 07 May

We strongly encourage all pupils and parents to attend these presentations. The cost is R20 per family to help offset the cost of the presentations. Payments can be made to your children's register teachers.

COLLEGE MOTHER'S CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

The College will celebrate Mother's Day with all College mothers on Saturday the 09th of May from 11:00 – 14:00.

Please take note this event is only for the College mothers and their sons or daughters.



SCHOOL GROUNDS:

- The Fledglings, Grade R's and the Grade 7s started off by leading by example. Their allocated area had a significant change already! Thank you for the initiative and effort. "Watch this space!". All other grades – please take up the challenge!
- Borehole pipes from boreholes to the JoJo tanks were laid. Intensive labour added up to a successful end result.
- Obsolete tools were replaced and are used fruitfully by our dedicated groundsman.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

TUMELONG DROP-IN CENTRE DONATIONS

The Grades 4 and 5 pupils are donating a packet of rice or mealie meal towards Tumelong Drop - In Centre the month of April. Parents and their children are to please include these items as they go for shopping. Extra things like tinned foods are welcome, but mealie meal and rice should be prioritised. Tumelong feeds the vulnerable children in Mashishimale and Makhushane. The food are to be donated in the first week of May, please.

Thank you for your continuous support!

SCIENCE FAIR DAY

Our Kingfisher Science Fair Day will be held on Saturday 16 May 2026. The pupils will display their projects and judging will take place. After judging is completed, there will be public viewing by our stakeholders, sponsors and our parents. We will expect our Grades 7 to 12 Kingfisher parents to be present and see what their children are doing in Science Fair.

There will be a prestigious Prize giving where pupils will receive prizes for being top in their categories and for the best project. Letters have been sent to sponsors for us to be able to fund for the day. Anyone who would like to support this initiative by sponsoring with money or material prizes, please feel free to do so by contacting Mr Nechombo or Mrs Marowa. Sponsors will be given the opportunity to market their business by putting up a stall or to present the prizes.

HOEDSPRUIT EISTEDDFOD

A reminder of the Hoedspruit Eisteddfod taking place in Hoedspruit from the 19 to 23 May 2026. It is both in English and Afrikaans. The closing date for entries to school is 29 April 2026. Entries must be submitted through the school as no entries from individual people will be accepted by the organisers. Please note that it is the full responsibility of the parents to make sure that their children are properly prepared for any item/s they wish to present at the Eisteddfod. It is also the responsibility of the parents to transport and supervise their own children at the eisteddfod. Both the English and Afrikaans syllabi and the instructions are available on the class WhatsApp groups. The English and Afrikaans teachers also have copies of these documents.

INTERSEN PHASE TERM 2 ASSESSMENTS

The Intersen Phase pupils are reminded that the Term 2 assessment schedules and the test and extra teaching timetable will be issued to them today. The exam timetable and exam breakdowns will be issued next Wednesday.

HIGH FLYERS' ASSEMBLIES

There will be certificate and High Flyers' assemblies on Monday 20 April for the Intersen Phase, and on Tuesday 21 April for the College. All parents are welcome to attend these assemblies.

SCIENCE CLUB FOR GRADES 4 - 7

This is a new co-curricular activity at Kingfisher Private School.

Pupils from Grades 4 to 7 are welcome. Our Science Club will be every Thursday, from 14:15 to 15:15.

DATES TO REMEMBER

18/04/2026	College: Winter games @ Mitchell's House	04:00
18/04/2026	Mopani District Chess tournament @ Dr Ninakhulu Primary	07:30

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