



KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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VIRTUE THIS MONTH: COURAGE

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FROM THE HEADMISTRESS' DESK:



Dear Kingfisher family

We are in week 8 of 11! Unbelievable, but true.
As the saying goes: "Time flies when having fun!"

Our children are our most precious possessions.
We, as a school, therefore support the Department of Social Development's initiative of **Child Protection Week** in South Africa (29 May – 5 June 2026).

Some statistics to show why awareness is critical (not fear-based at all!):

- 26852 cases of child abuse and neglect were reported in the 2024/25 financial year.
- 9859 of these were sexual abuse cases. A shocking 890 rape cases were committed by children.
- 1 in 3 girls and 1 in 5 boys in South Africa experience some form of violence before the age of 18.
- 315 children were murdered in Q4 of the 2024/25 financial year.
- A child goes missing every 5 hours in South Africa. While 77% are found, 23% remain unaccounted for.
- 62,1% of children live in multiple deprivation poverty — lacking income, health, nutrition, education and protection.

This reminds us that children's safety and well-being are everyone's responsibility — at home, at school and in our communities. Let's join hands and wear those green ribbons to show our support, now and forever. ***"Children are the world's most valuable resource and its best hope for the future."*** — John F. Kennedy

EXAMS

The College is in full swing with examinations. The Intersen Phase will begin on 9 June (Grade 7) and 10 June (Grades 4–6). Please ensure your child is using their time wisely!

HOEDSPRUIT EISTEDDFOD

Some of our pupils participated in the Hoedspruit Eisteddfod. Their results were very pleasing and made us extremely proud! (Full results will be shared in next week's newsletter once finalised.) Mrs van den Heever participated in the Dramatised Choral Verse division with both the Grade 8 and Grade 9 classes. What an enormous effort, Ma'am! They represented our school with pride!

We are very proud of all our Kingfisher participants. Thank you to all the parents who supported them.

FOUNDATION PHASE: COOL DAY

A reminder that the Foundation Phase's "Ice-cream for Cool Parents" event takes place on **5 June** from 13:00 to 14:00. Please try to attend and be a "cool parent"!

SCHOOL SPORT

Foundation Phase boys will continue with rugby and start with hockey. Foundation Phase girls will start hockey this coming Thursday. Remember to bring your hockey sticks!

SCHOOL FEES

It's month-end again. *Please do what a responsible parent will do.*

Thank you to all our responsible parents who continue to pay diligently and on time.

Very important: Please ensure you receive your invoice via email.

If you haven't received it, urgently contact the office to update your email address.

God bless!

Mrs C. Meintjes

BOARD MEMBER'S CONDENSED CV: Please find our member, Mr Murehwa Mangere's short introduction in this letter.

Mr Murehwa Mangere serves as the Finance Board Member on the School Board of Governors. He brings extensive expertise in financial management, auditing, and strategic planning. With a background in finance and governance, he provides oversight of budgeting, compliance, and resource allocation to ensure transparency and accountability. His contributions have strengthened financial reporting and supported sustainable funding for school initiatives.

Mr Mangere, together with other Board members, is there to support sustainable financial planning for the development of the school.

He is a proud and loving father to three wonderful children enrolled at the school in Grade 11, 8 and RR respectively.



JUNE VIRTUE OF THE MONTH - COURAGE



WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

FOUNDATION PHASE

Star of the Week

Oral presentation:

Grade 1: Nkazimulo Dlangalala

Grade 2: Kefiloe Mohatli

Grade 3: Khanyisile Nkosi

Congratulations!



SPONSORSHIPS

We are still looking for sponsors for our little soccer boys. We need soccer balls, as balls are perishables and can get damaged quickly with regular use. Your company's name can be placed on any ball you sponsor. We would also appreciate sponsorship of mini goal posts/box goals. If there is a handy person out there who would be willing to build some for us, we would be truly grateful. Thank you for supporting our children and helping them grow in sport!

FOUNDATION AND INTERSEN PHASE

MOPANI DISTRICT CHESS COMPETITION

On Saturday, 30 May, some of our pupils participated in the chess tournament held at Dr Ninakhulu Primary School. The pupils played their hearts out, learnt a lot and enjoyed the matches.

Congratulations to all of them for making Kingfisher Private School proud.

The results are as follows:

Michelle Mohatli won 2 matches

Langaletu Ntimba won 2 matches

Esperanca Candiero won 2 matches

Mathew Dagumi won 3 matches

Thembinkosi Mokumo won 3 matches

The following pupils received certificates:

Ngelekanyo Nangammbi won 4 matches

Akwande Mbotho won 4 and a half matches and was placed second



Thank you to all the cheerleader moms who attended the matches. Parent support is valuable!

COLLEGE

GRADE 12 - PIT PRODUCTIONS

The Grade 12 pupils travelled to Jabez Christian College to attend the PIT productions. The event was informative and educative and our pupils benefited from it.



SCIENCE FAIR – VOUCHERS FOR JACKETS

The three pupils who received vouchers for the jackets at the Kingfisher Science Fair have received their jackets.

Grade 10: Abundance Maluleke

Grade 8: Omphile Setagane

Grade 7: Mpho Chauke

The jackets were sponsored by Dorisign.



HOEDSPRUIT EISTEDDFOD

It was 44 very committed and excited Kingfisher Grade 8s and 9s who left for the Hoedspruit Eisteddfod. Each one had been practising their drama skills for the past 4 weeks and was eager to show off their dramatized choral verse skills. With noses painted black and white whiskers both groups enchanted the adjudicator and audience. Both the groups received Diamond certificates for their excellent performances.

Ora Mofokeng, Lebakeng Mkwacha and Eric Maulusi who took part in the Dramatised Poetry and Duo-logues also walked away with gold and diamond certificates.

Well done, Grade 8s and 9s, you shone!



Grade 8



Grade 9

ALL PHASES

WORLD PARROT DAY

Mrs Koekemoer, with one of her parrots, Fafa, giving a talk to the Prep School for World Parrot Day being celebrated on 31 May.

Thank you Mrs Koekemoer for bringing Fafa to school.



TUMELONG DROP-IN CENTRE DONATIONS

Mr Nechombo and Mr Chihona went to Tumelong Drop-in Centre on Friday 29 May, in Makhushane to hand over the donations from the Intersen Phase. The children and the responsible persons were delighted and thankful. Thank you to all the parents for making sure t Tumelong Drop-in Centre has food on the table.

Thank you also to our dedicated teachers!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

As you have read in the headmistress' letter, our school is currently supporting National Child Protection Week running from Friday 29 May to Friday 05 June. It is a week to remind the whole country that every single one of our children has the right to be safe, to be loved, and to come to school to learn. No child should ever feel scared, hurt, or left out. The big goal this year is for everyone to work together to make sure our children are always safe. The badges or green ribbons worn by our pupils and staff are to show that we care about our children and will strive to do our part in protecting them, so that they are happy and safe.



INTERSEN PHASE EXAMS

A reminder of the Intersen Phase exams which start for the Grade 7s on Tuesday 09 June and for the Grades 4 – 6 on Wednesday 10 June. The exams end on Friday 19 June. School will end for the Intersen Phase pupils at 13:00 during this time period. Please make sure that if you are not in aftercare, you make arrangements to go home by 13:15.

SMART WATCHES

Please note that pupils may not wear smart watches to school. Only analogue or digital watches may be worn by pupils.

UPCOMING EVENTS



FLEDGLINGS AND GRADE R CAKE SALE

On Wednesday the 10th of June 2026. The Fledglings and Grade Rs will have their cake sale at the field during break. Please come and support them.

ALUMINI: TSUNDZUKA MNISI

An old Kingfisher pupil, Tsundzuka Mnisi (and his friend, David Mwangi) won the Entrepreneur of the month-award in Stellenbosch for their app "StelliesKos delivery".

Kingfisher-pupils are molded to conquer the world!



TRITECH SCIENCE EXPOSITION REGIONAL ROUND

Congratulations to the following pupils who qualified for the Trittech Science Exposition Regional Round to be held at Frans du Toit High School on 31 July 2026. All participants should pay entrance fee of R50 before Friday, the 22nd of June.

Grade	Name and Surname
7	Mpho Chauke
7	Lesedi Mohatli
7	Aron van den Borre
7	Katelynn Titus
7	Katlego Kwinana
8	Omphile Setagane
8	Nsuku Mathebula
8	Rifumo Shirinda
8	Michelle Shilowa
8	Langavi Rikhotso
8	Liyema Tongo
9	Didintle Nokana
9	Tshegofatso Mamaila
9	Kavish Purbhoo
9	Oratilwe Mofokeng
9	Mashoko Kutumela
9	Eric Mualusi
10	Abundance Maluleke
10	Boitumelo Shayi
10	Kaone Selepe
10	Maile Seruba
11	Malwandla Mthembi
11	Paballo Nkwane
11	Hannah Jordaan
11	Ann Abraham
11	Xingwavila Mthombeni

DATES TO REMEMBER

DATES TO DIARISE

05 June	Foundation Phase – Ice-cream 4 cool parents	13:00 – 14:00
09 June	Grade 7 exams start	
10 June	Grade 4 – 6 exams start	
10 June	Grade F – R cake sale	10:25
10 – 19 June	School ends for Intersen Phase pupils	13:00
15 June	School Holiday	
16 June	Public Holiday – Youth Day	

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!

Grade 1:	Koketso Mohlala	6 June
	Leo Shabangu	6 June
	Keamgetswi Mokgope	10 June
Grade 3:	Vukona Ntimane	7 June
Grade 7:	Cebo Madlala	4 June
	Nhlulo Mosoma	10 June
Grade 8:	Molatelolo Mojela	4 June
	Isla Cloete	5 June



Have a wonderful day!

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WEEKLY VILLA LUSO RESTAURANT

MONDAY

BURGERS

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Chips for R35.00



TUESDAY

EISBEIN

Eisbein with chips or any starch for
only R95.00

FRIDAY

300G RIBS

300g Ribs with chips or any starch for
only R95.00

WEDNESDAY

PIZZA

Buy any Pizza for only R95.00



SATURDAY

PRAWN

10 Prawns with chips or any starch for
R95.00

THURSDAY

500G T-BONE

500g T-Bone with chips or any starch
for only R95.00



SUNDAY

½ CHICKEN

½ Chicken with chips or any starch for
only R55.00





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Mrs C Meintjes
Headmistress