



KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE HEADMISTRESS' DESK:



Dear Kingfisher family

GENERAL:

Here we are - already in the middle of the College exams and started off with the IP-Phase. Please make sure to give extra support, encouragement and attention to mental-health during this time. It can be one of the most stressful situations for certain individuals.

Please enjoy the exams-information (Thank you All!)

STAFF MATTERS:

Mrs Ndlovu is busy with her own exams. We wish her all the best. We know that you will keep our Kingfisher flag flying high!

Mr and Mrs Nthle are expecting their firstborn ON one of these beautiful June-days! We wish her and their family all of the best for this new chapter in their lives.

We are awaiting applicants for her teaching post. Please spread the word! (See advertisement in newsletter.)

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP:

The second-hand uniform shop is officially open and ready to visit. Shopping hours are from 13:00-13:45. Please take note that only card payments will be accepted.

Please donate any outgrown uniforms, (still in good condition.) It will be highly appreciated!

BOARD MEMBER'S CONDENSED CV:

Please find our next Board member's short introduction in this letter.

A reminder that there will be no school on Monday and Tuesday (15 & 16 June 2026)

May you all have a special week ahead!



BOARD MEMBER'S CONDENSED CV: Please find our member, Mr Stefan Van den Borre's short introduction in this letter.

I am Stefan Van den Borre, born on 11/06/1971 in Belgium.

I completed my studies at Ghent University in Belgium, earning a master's in civil engineering in 1993 and a second master's degree as an Engineer Surveyor in 1994.

Passionate about South Africa, I permanently moved to Phalaborwa in 2010.

Married to Shirlene Van den Borre, together we have Aron Van den Borre born in 2012, who is currently in grade 7. My wife is a passionate teacher and a dedicated mother.

I vividly remember our first visit to Kingfisher in 2010 as a guest and a sponsor of a World Theme event. Our love for Kingfisher started even before Aron was born.

We enrolled Aron in Grade R in 2019. Since 2019, I served on the BOG in different portfolios and currently hold the Chairman's position.

I like Kingfisher's academic, universal, and multicultural approach, which reflects the outside world. Each staff member, teacher, and pupil must be able to bring their values, talents and experience to the Kingfisher family. In this way every child will find their place, develop a passion for a subject, and prepare for a future career.

I strongly believe in an individual approach rather than a fixed mould for the development of children. At Kingfisher Private School, we must provide each pupil with the necessary skills, confidence and integrity to conquer the world.



**MISTAKES ARE ALWAYS
FORGIVABLE, IF ONE
HAS THE COURAGE
TO ADMIT THEM.**

– BRUCE LEE

Believe
Achieve
Succeed



Stay focused,
Work hard,
Make it happen!



EXAM SUCCESS

CHECKLIST

⇒ Good preparation + Positive mindset = Great results! ⇐



BEFORE THE EXAMS

- ☐ Create a realistic study schedule and stick to it.
- ☐ Revise topics regularly and make short notes.
- ☐ Solve past papers and sample questions.
- ☐ Ask for help if you have doubts.
- ☐ Take care of your health: eat well, exercise and sleep enough.
- ☐ Keep all your exam essentials ready.



THE DAY BEFORE

- ☐ Do a quick revision of key points.
- ☐ Pack your bag and check your exam materials.
- ☐ Avoid last-minute cramming.
- ☐ Relax, unwind and get a good night's sleep.



Use the bathroom before bed.

A good night's sleep leads to a sharp mind!



ON THE DAY OF THE EXAM

- ☐ Wake up early and stay calm.
- ☐ Eat a healthy breakfast and drink water.
- ☐ Use the bathroom before you leave.
- ☐ Reach the exam centre on time.
- ☐ Listen carefully to instructions.
- ☐ Manage your time wisely.
- ☐ Read each question carefully before answering.
- ☐ Stay calm and confident!



AFTER THE EXAM

- ☐ Don't stress about what you can't change.
- ☐ Avoid discussing answers with friends.
- ☐ Take time to relax and do things you enjoy.
- ☐ Reflect on your preparation and learn for next time.

*You've done your best!
Be proud of yourself.*

EXAM ESSENTIALS – DON'T FORGET!



Pens (Blue/Black)



Pencils & Eraser



Ruler & Other Stationery



Calculator (if allowed)



Transparent Pencil Case



Transparent Water Bottle



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- No mobile phones or smart watches.
- Follow all exam rules and be honest.
- Keep your desk neat and tidy.

TIME MANAGEMENT TIPS



- ✓ Allocate time for each section.
- ✓ Don't spend too much time on one question.
- ✓ Attempt easier questions first.
- ✓ Leave time to review your answers at the end.
- ✓ Practice regularly to improve speed and accuracy.

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Success is not by chance, it is by preparation.

– Aristotle



WELLBEING MATTERS



Get 7–8 hours of sleep.



Eat nutritious food and stay hydrated.



Exercise daily.



Stay positive and believe in yourself.



Take breaks and manage stress.



We are proud of you, Kingfishers!

⇒ PREPARE WELL. STAY POSITIVE. DO YOUR BEST. SOAR HIGH! ⇐

Dream
Believe
Achieve

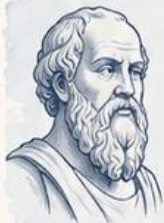


Strength today,
Success tomorrow



WISDOM TO INSPIRE. *YOU TO SUCCEED.*

Timeless quotes from wise minds.



"The only true wisdom is in knowing you know nothing."

— SOCRATES

Be humble. Stay curious.
Keep learning.



"The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step."

— LAO TZU

Every small step today leads to a better tomorrow.



"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

— ARISTOTLE

Good habits build great futures.



"It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop."

— CONFUCIUS

Persistence is the key to progress.



"The mind is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be kindled."

— PLUTARCH

Think deeply. Question boldly. Grow endlessly.



"You have power over your mind – not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength."

— MARCUS AURELIUS

Focus on what you can control. Stay strong within.



"What we think, we become."

— BUDDHA

Your thoughts shape your actions. Choose wisely.



"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: It is the courage to continue that counts."

— WINSTON CHURCHILL

Rise, learn, and keep going.



"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

— NELSON MANDELA

Learn not just for yourself, but for a better world.



Be inspired.
Work hard.
Make a difference.

AT KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL,
we believe in nurturing minds,
building character,
and creating bright futures.



You are capable.
You are enough.
You can achieve
anything!



SOAR HIGH, KINGFISHERS!





TO ALL OUR AMAZING STUDENTS,

Good Luck WITH YOUR EXAMS!

Your hard work today is building
the success of tomorrow.

*Believe in yourself, stay focused,
and do your very best!*



BELIEVE IN YOURSELF

You know more than
you think you do.



STAY CALM

Take deep breaths,
stay positive and
take it one step at a time.



DO YOUR BEST

Focus, think clearly
and answer to the
best of your ability.



BE PROUD

No matter the outcome,
we are proud of you
for your effort and
dedication.

*You've
got this!*



WE ARE PROUD TO BE **KINGFISHER.**

Soar high. Succeed always.

GOOD LUCK FROM ALL THE STAFF AT KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL!

Keep learning.
Keep growing.
Keep going!



Progress
not
Perfection



THE POWER OF YET

THE WORD **YET** CHANGES EVERYTHING. ♥



I can't do this.



I can't do this
YET.



I'm not good
at this.



I'm not good
at this **YET.**



I made
a mistake.



Mistakes help
me improve **YET.**



I don't
understand this.



I don't understand
this **YET.**



It's too
hard.



It's too hard
YET.



You don't have
to be great
to **start**, but
you have to **start**
to be **great**. ♥

“
SUCCESS IS THE
RESULT OF EFFORT,
PRACTICE AND
PERSEVERANCE.
” ♥

Every expert
was once a
beginner.
Every pro was
once an amateur.
Keep going! ☆



YOU MAY NOT BE THERE **YET**,
BUT YOU ARE **CLOSER** THAN YOU WERE **YESTERDAY**. ☆



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TEMPORARY TEACHING POST: POST LEVEL 1

Grades: 10,11 and 12

Subject: English Home Language

Starting date: 20 July 2026

Ending date: 23 September 2026

Applications and CVs:

To be **hand delivered** to: Reception @ Kingfisher Private School
(No other form of application will be accepted)

Contact number for more information: 079 754 5242

****If you have not heard from us by 19 June 2026, please be advised that your application was unsuccessful.***

Board of Governors: Kingfisher Private School (Registration No 4010016)
C Meintjes (Head), S van den Borre (Chairman), V Mhlongo, Z Kutumela, M Mangere
& C De Witt



Kingfisher School Trust (ITrust 69)



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WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

FOUNDATION PHASE

Star of the Week

Good behaviour:

Grade 1: Nhlelo Mathebula

Grade 2: Rorisang Manzini

Grade 3: Princess Mgimeti

Congratulations!



ICE-CREAM FOR COOL PARENTS

Our Ice-Cream for "Cool" Parents event was a huge success! Thank you to all the parents who came along and shared a scoop of fun with us. The smiles were as sweet as the ice cream, and it was wonderful to see so many families enjoying the afternoon together. Thank you for being such a cool part of our Kingfisher family!



INTERSEN PHASE

CYCLING

Well done to our cyclists who participated in the Limpopo School cycling Series held at Moorddrift in Mokopane on 6 June.

Aron was 3rd in the u/13 Sub-Junior category. Junior Monyela achieved 15th in the u/15 youth men category.

Congratulations young men!



COLLEGE

GRADE 12 EXPERIMENT

The Grade 12s did an experiment to determine if a newly developed fast-acting antibiotic can be used to kill multidrug-resistant bacteria. This practical was important to verify if antibiotics are used to eliminate bacteria.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

INTERSEN PHASE EXAMS

We wish the Intersen Phase pupils all the best for their mid-year exams which they are busy writing. The exams end on Friday 19 June. A reminder that school will end for the Intersen Phase pupils at 13:00 during this time period. Please make sure that if your child is not in aftercare, they need to be collected by 13:15. If your child usually attends aftercare but will not be attending during the exams, please make sure you send an email or written note to school specifying on which dates they will not be at aftercare.

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

INTERSEN PHASE SOCCER AND NETBALL INTERHOUSE

On Tuesday 23 June the Intersen Phase will have their Interhouse games.

Starting times: 14:15 – 15:30.

All Intersen Phase pupils must be dressed in their sport short and house t-shirt.

COLLEGE SOCCER AND NETBALL INTERHOUSE

On Wednesday 24 June the college will host soccer and netball interhouse from 08:00 to 11:30. This is compulsory for all college pupils. All college pupils must be dressed in their sport short and house t-shirt.

Parents must please fetch their children at the latest 12:00.

GRADE 9 APTITUDE TESTS

Our grade 9's have the opportunity to do career-aptitude tests arranged by Academia, a private higher education institution registered with the Department of Higher Education and Training. This will take place at Frans du Toit Secondary School on 23 June 2026.

Interested pupils must urgently give their names to Mr Masilela on or before 15 June 2026. The cost to write this test is R600. Payments must be made to our school with the child's name and Aptitude test as reference.

Arrangements for the day: Pupils go directly to Frans du Toit School on 23 June 2026. They will be welcomed at reception. Tests will start promptly at 08:00 -13:00. Pupils have to bring along their own stationery.

On 17 and 18 August there will be an information session, as well as another career exhibition. More information will follow closer to the time.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our pupils!



DATES TO REMEMBER

DATES TO DIARISE

10 – 19 June	School ending time for Intersen Phase pupils	13:00
15 June	School Holiday	
16 June	Public Holiday – Youth Day	
19 June	Intersen Phase and College exams end	
19 June	Preparatory school detention	13:15 – 15:15
23 June	Intersen Phase panel meeting	14:05
23 June	Grade 9 Aptitude tests – Frans du Toit High School	08:00 – 13:00
23 June	College netball & soccer interhouse	08:00 – 11:30
24 June	Grade 6 Sexuality course	During school time
24 June	College panel meetings	14:15
24 June	Foundation Phase soccer & netball interhouse	13:15
24 June	Intersen Phase soccer & netball interhouse	14:15 - 16:00
25 June	Final assembly	07:10
25 June	Foundation Phase Fun afternoon – Movie Day	13:00 – 14:00
25 June	Fledglings & Grade R Pajama and teddy bear picnic	During school time
25 June	Foundation Phase Brag evening	17:00 – 18:00
26 June	Grade 6 & 7 Entrepreneur's Day	
26 June	School closes	10:00
21 July	School re-opens	07:10

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!



Board of Governors:	Mr Stefan van den Borre	11 June
Fledgling:	Bophelo Monyela	13 June
Grade R:	Muhammed Khan	17 June
Grade 2:	Rearabilwe Malaltji	12 June
Grade 3:	Maleke Mashego	17 June
Grade 4:	Ndzalama Hlatshwayo	16 June
	Refilwe Mamaila	17 June
Grade 7:	Lisa Mutiru	12 June
Grade 8:	Lesedi Lephaka	12 June
Grade 10:	Heldana Ajamo	13 June
	Abundance Maluleke	17 June
Grade 11:	Tariro Sonyana	13 June
Grade 12:	Peter Kofya	13 June

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WEEKLY

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

EISBEIN

Eisbein with chips or any starch for only R95.00

WEDNESDAY

PIZZA

Buy any Pizza for only R95.00

THURSDAY

500G T-BONE

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

FRIDAY

300G RIBS

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SATURDAY

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SUNDAY

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and one
teacher
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the world."

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childhood
education
is the
key
to the
betterment
of society."
— Maria Montessori

"Every
Student
can learn, just not
on the same day
or in the same way."
— George Evans

"The best teacher
lodges an intent
not in the mind
but in the
heart."
— Anne Michaels

"Teaching is the
greatest
act
of optimism."
— Colleen Wilcox