

**KINGFISHER PRIVATE SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER**

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**VIRTUE THIS MONTH: RELIABILITY**

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**FROM THE HEADMISTRESS' DESK:**

Dear Kingfisher family



**GREAT NEWS!**

**Three** of our College learners qualified for the **International Science Fair!**

This is not a minor event in our school's history.

Congratulations to Didintle, Hannah and Pabollo. We are extremely proud of you! A huge shout-out to Mr Nechombo and Chihona, together with the parents involved who guide and support our learners. All the best for your future endeavour!

\*Our **Geography department** also has great news. Watch this space in next week's newsletter...

***\*I want to share an interesting excerpt from an article I recently read:***

**Seven things teachers wish parents knew...**

**1. Sleep matters more than people think.**

*\*An exhausted child will struggle to focus, regulate emotions and learn properly.*

**2. Constant screen time changes attention spans.**

*\*Teachers are increasingly competing with devices designed to keep children overstimulated. Please set healthy boundaries!*

**3. Consequences are not cruelty.**

*\*Children need boundaries, accountability and adults willing to hold expectations consistently.*

**4. Respect starts at home.**

*\*Children notice how adults speak to each other, about others and authority figures in general. Be the role model your child needs.*

**5. A child struggling behaviourally affects the entire classroom.**

*\*The pupils who want to learn also deserve a calm environment.*

**6. Teachers are human beings too.**

*\*Many are overwhelmed, exhausted and sometimes carrying pressure beyond what people see. Please be kind, respectful and patient. They are our biggest and best resource!*

**7. A child does not need you to remove every obstacle or solve every problem for them in their life.**

*\*Sometimes they only need trust, support and accountability. Most of the time, they need all three.*

**Children who benefit most are always the ones surrounded by adults willing to communicate honestly, set boundaries consistently and put growth ahead of ego.**

**Food for thought indeed!**

The month of **spring** (or is it summer already?) is here. This means that the year is running downhill! (Except if you are Jack or Jill, you don't have to worry about a thing!) Let's keep on doing our best. It's not about how we start but how we persevere towards the end!

**Have a blessed week!**

# 🌈 ✨ *WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?* ✨ 🌈

🍌 *A peek at all the fun, learning & adventures!* 🚀 🎨

## 🌈 🎨 ✨ *FOUNDATION PHASE* ✨ 🎨 🌈

🌟 *Learning • Growing • Exploring • Having Fun!* 🌟

### **FLEDGLINGS – GRADE 3 SPRING HAT DAY**

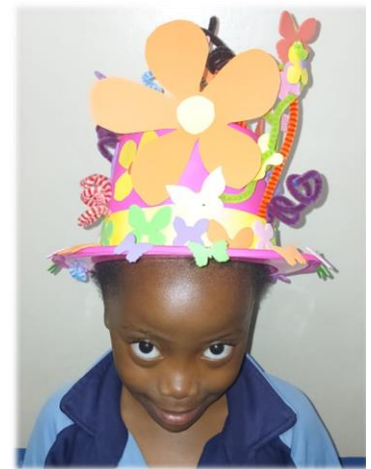
Thank you to all the parents who joined in the Spring-day-fun!



**Fledgling**



**Grade R**



**Grade 1**



**Grade 2**



**Grade 3**

## **INTERSEN PHASE**

 **Learning • Growing • Achieving • Inspiring!** 

### **PREPARATORY SCHOOL CHESS**

Our Preparatory School Kingfisher pupils played and achieved a convincing win against Laerskool Phalaborwa Noord (Red School).

Thank you to everyone, who helped preparing for a lovely afternoon of chess friendly matches.



### **INTERSEN PHASE INTERHOUSE QUIZ**

The Intersen Phase Interhouse quiz took place on Wednesday 26 August. Well done to all the members of each team.

Congratulations to the following pupils:

- Quiz Champion – Junior Mashego
- Second Place – Kabo Magoro
- Third Place – Ripfumelo Shirinda



The winning house is the Kookaburras!  
Well done to them!

Thank you to Mrs Botma who was the main organiser, Ms Marais who assisted her, as well as all the other Intersen Phase teachers who helped make this event such a success.



## **TSHEGOFATSO - CHARITY**

On 29 August 2026, Tshegofatso Charity donated food parcels, clothing and blankets to the family that has lost everything due to a fire in Nyakelang 4.

Thank you, Ackerman's and clothes - donors for your support.

Tshegofatso Charity is pleading to anyone who is willing to help this family with food, clothing and building materials.

For more information, please contact 082 558 8730/ 064 881 6219.



 ***Learn • Grow • Dream • Achieve!*** 

## **INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE FAIR QUALIFIERS**

**Three** of our pupils qualified for the International Science Fair 2026! This prestigious event will be held in Johannesburg from 29 September to 2 October. The pupils will be part of the Mopani team who will represent the region.

We are extremally proud of you! Our Kingfisher flag flies high!

Didintle Nokana - Grade 9  
Hannah Jordaan - Grade 11  
Paballo Nkwane – Grade 11



**Didintle Nokana**



**Hannah Jordaan**



**Paballo Nkwane**

## **COLLEGE INTERHOUSE QUIZ**

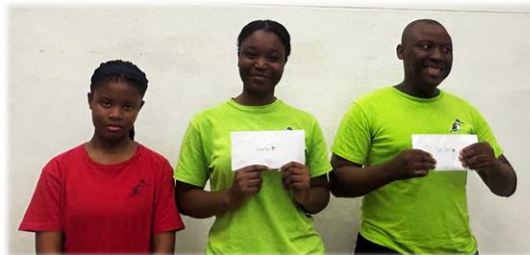
The college held their Interhouse Quiz on Thursday 27 August. All participants showed their general knowledge and represented their respective house. The results are as follows:

### **Individual Places**

- Quiz Champion - Abundance Maluleke
- Second Place - Malwandla Mthembu
- Third Place - Oratilwe Mofokeng

### **Winning House**

- Malachites



Thank you to all participants and teachers who made the day a great success.



## **COLLEGE SCHOOL CHESS**

Our College pupils played a chess match against Frans du Toit High School.

Thank you to everyone, who helped preparing for a lovely afternoon of chess friendly matches.



## **COLLEGE CAKE SALE**

The College held their cake sale on Wednesday 26 August.

Thank you to all who supported the College and to all those who assisted on the day.



   **ALL PHASES**   

 **Learn • Grow • Explore • Achieve • Shine!** 

### **KINGFISHER HOCKEY GOING FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH**

Kingfisher Hockey is going from strength to strength! Congratulations to our Intersen Phase teams who played on Friday, with a special congratulations to our u13 Boys on their first victory!

On Saturday, our Grade 1–3 teams travelled to Drakensig in Hoedspruit and had an excellent day, winning 9 out of 12 matches. What a fantastic achievement!

We are incredibly proud of all our hockey players and coaches. Well done, Kingfishers!



### **GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Kiaan Naidoo took part in his second Junior half course golf tournament and taking the 1st place once again in his division at Ba-Phalaborwa Golf Course. What a wonderful achievement! Keep swinging, keep learning, and most importantly, keep having fun out on the course, Kiaan!

Kudzaishe Mangere also participated in the Junior golf tournament at Hans Merensky on Saturday 29 August.

Kudzaishe Mangere won the 9-hole category.

Congratulations to you! We are very proud of our golfers!



**Kiaan Naidoo**



**Kudzaise Mangere**

## **TRANSPORT DAY**

What an incredible Friday it was at Kingfisher Private School! Trinity Pre School took the initiative to host a fantastic Transport Day, giving our pupils an exciting opportunity to experience the world of transport up close.

The day was filled with a variety of vehicles, from game-viewing trucks and boats to front-end loaders, TLBs, 60/60 scooters and so much more! The highlight for many was undoubtedly the spectacular drive-past and flyover, which had the whole school watching in awe.

It was an unforgettable experience that brought excitement, learning and plenty of smiles to our school community. A huge thank you to the organisers and everyone who contributed to making this initiative such a wonderful success.

We had an absolute blast and are already looking forward to Transport Day next year!





  *Exciting moments • Special occasions • Fun to come!* 

### **INTERSEN PHASE MATHEMATICS QUIZ**

The Intersen Phase Mathematics Quiz will be held on Wednesday, 2 September 2026. All Intersen Phase pupils are required to attend dressed in their sport uniform with their house t-shirts.

There will be no co-curricular activities on that day for the Intersen Phase pupils. The quiz will start at 14:10 and end at 15:30, at which time the pupils must either be fetched or return to Aftercare.

Please make the necessary transport arrangements. **Parents are welcome to attend this event.**

### **READATHON**

From 2 to 7 September 2026, our school will join the nation in celebrating National Book Week, highlighting the joy of reading as part of everyday life.

On Wednesday, 2 September, the whole school will take part in a Readathon during the register period. Each pupil must bring a book of their choice to read and everyone is expected to participate and enjoy!

This event is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate imagination, knowledge, and the joy of reading while strengthening our school's culture of literacy.

### **COLLEGE INTERHOUSE ATHLETICS**

The College Interhouse Athletics will take place on Friday, 4 September 2026.

All pupils are requested to wear their house shirts:

- The day's proceedings will begin at 07:30 and conclude at 14:00.
- All pupils are expected to participate actively and support their respective houses throughout the day's events.
- Tuck-shop will be available. Pupils will not be allowed to leave the school premises to go to town to buy food

Parents are most welcome to join us!

### **PREPARATORY SCHOOL – SPELLING BEE**

Prep School pupils are reminded that the Spelling Bee will take place on Thursday 10 September. It is compulsory for all pupils in Grades 1 – 7 to attend the Spelling Bee dressed neatly in their formal uniforms. Pupils must be lined up outside the hall by 17:45. Parents are welcome to attend, but if they do not attend, they must please fetch their children at 19:30. Please also note that children under 5 years of age will not be allowed to attend due to the sensitive content. There will be no babysitting facilities available.

## GRADE 3 AND 4 OPEN DAY

Reminder of the swapping of classes: Grades 3 & 4 on the 11 September.



## DATES TO DIARISE

|              |                                        |               |
|--------------|----------------------------------------|---------------|
| 04 September | Readathon                              | During school |
| 04 September | Intersen Phase and College detention   | 14:15 – 16:00 |
| 04 September | Mopani Hockey league                   | Tzaneen       |
| 05 September | Grades 1 – 3 mini hockey @ Kings Court | Duiwelskloof  |
| 07 September | Dankie <sup>2</sup> Junior Grade 8 & 9 | During school |
| 09 September | Grade 7 Career Day dress up: Group 2   | During school |
| 09 September | Grade 4 & 5 cake sale                  | 10:25 – 10:55 |



Fledglings:  
Grade R:

Hlago Kgatle  
Tshimologo Monyela  
Maklile Arficho  
Mahlaku Chiloane  
Lesedi Mohatli

06 September  
05 September  
04 September  
03 September  
05 September



Grade 7:



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**ALL PROCEEDS RAISED GO TOWARDS CANCER RESEARCH.**

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| <b>DATE</b><br>31 OCTOBER 2026 | <b>VENUE</b><br>GROENSKOOL RUGBYVELD, PHALABORWA, BOSVELDFEES | <b>REGISTRATION</b><br>AT MARULAMED, 33 PARK STREET | <b>SCHEDULE</b><br>REGISTRATION: 06:00 – 07:30<br>WALK/RUN STARTS: 08:00 |
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| <b>EVENT OPTIONS</b><br>5KM FUN WALK<br>10KM RUN RUN | <b>ENTRY FEES:</b><br>ADULTS: R50<br>KIDS (5-12): R30 |
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| <b>CATEGORY PRIZES:</b><br>✓ Best Dressed Male / Female<br>✓ Best Dressed Couple / company Group / Family Group<br>✓ Biggest Company Group Entry<br>✓ Biggest Family Group Entry | <b>SURPRISE GIFT AND LUCKY RAFFLE TO BE HELD</b> |
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## BE SMART ACADEMY

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### ACADEMIC SUPPORT MONTHLY SUCCESS PROGRAM

**GRADE 4 - 9**

**HELPING LEARNERS IMPROVE, GROW & ACHIEVE CONFIDENCE**

**QUALIFIED TEACHER WITH EXPERIENCE AT:**

- Kingfisher Private School
- EF Digital Learning Services
- Numerical Maths Coaching
- Khayelitsha Academy
- Frans du Toit High School

**TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS**

- Postgraduate Certificate in Education in Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching (Accounting and EMS)
- Advanced Certificate in Intermediate Phase Mathematics and English First Additional Language Teaching

**SUBJECTS OFFERED**

- EMS / Accounting (Monday)
- Mathematics (Tuesday)
- English (Wednesday)
- And more

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

|           |                  |
|-----------|------------------|
| MONDAY    | EMS / Accounting |
| TUESDAY   | Mathematics      |
| WEDNESDAY | English          |

**CHOOSE THE PACKAGE THAT FITS YOU**

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| <b>BRONZE</b><br>R250/month<br>✓ 1 hour lesson<br>✓ 1 day a week<br>✓ 4 weeks a month<br>✓ 1 subject | <b>SILVER</b><br>R500/month<br>✓ 1 hour lesson<br>✓ 1 day a week<br>✓ 4 weeks a month<br>✓ 2 subjects | <b>GOLD</b><br>R600/month<br>✓ 1 hour lesson<br>✓ 1 day a week<br>✓ 4 weeks a month<br>✓ 3 subjects |
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 Includes a light meal, welcome drink and 2 bingo cards

**LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!**

**BOOK NOW! DON'T MISS OUT!**

*For more information, contact:*  
 Susan: 074 703 8618 | Sumari: 084 694 9909 | Izanne: 079 505 7615

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*Meintjes*

Mrs C Meintjes  
Headmistress