



KINGSGATE SCHOOL

Kia mohio, ki te aroha, ki te mahi.
To know, to love, to serve.



Newsletter - Thursday 8 February —Week 2, Term 1, 2024

Important Dates

Friday 9 February	Parent Prayer Meeting - 8:40am in Lower block Maker Space
	Primary Year 1 - 6 Assembly - 9:00am in Totara. All welcome to attend
Monday 12 February	STEAM classes begin for those who have enrolled
Wednesday 14 February	FOTS Meeting - 7:00pm at the school
Friday 16 February	Parent Prayer Meeting - 8:40am in Lower block Maker Space
Saturday 17 February	OKE Garden build - see note in newsletter
Monday 19 February	Year 9 & 10 Orienteering Southern Zone Series
Wednesday 21 February	Year 7 & 8 Technology —Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate school for the start of the school day.
Friday 23 February	Mufti Day —Gold coin donation requested
	Parent Prayer Meeting - 8:40am in Lower block Maker Space
Thursday 29 February	Year 9 & 10 Athletics - Counties Manukau
	FOTS Community BBQ From 5:30pm - See note in newsletter
Wednesday 6 March	Year 7 & 8 Technology —Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate school for the start of the school day.

School Communication

Please direct general enquiries to our front desk email: info@kingsgate.school.nz or phone the office on: **09 974 0286**

From the Principal

I am happy to warmly welcome all the new families joining KingsGate School. It is an absolute pleasure to educate your children, and we are committed to providing them with an enriching Christian educational experience that they will cherish.

Currently, I am watching an online sermon series on Nehemiah. Throughout my time at KingsGate, Nehemiah has steadily become one of my favourite books of the Bible. This is because parallels can be drawn from his experience and task to where we find ourselves as a school today.

In ancient times, city walls served not only to keep invaders out but also to give the city its identity. Without a city wall, a city was incomplete and vulnerable to invasions, which would change its identity with each conqueror. Conquering an unwalled city was easy in ancient times, so a city that lost its wall would often become deserted soon afterwards. However, a city with a wall gave its people a sense of identity, purpose, and protection. It allowed them to fight for what was precious and gave them hope and a shared focus.

I think back to our old location on Victoria Street. For over 20 years, KingsGate continued to build and strengthen its wall (its identity) on God’s love, our faith in Him and the Hope that is Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is our duty to ensure that the same wall remains in place here at Blake Road. As we grow, we inevitably have those who don’t want our wall to be strong. Much like Nehemiah experienced, some detractors will come from outside our community, and sadly, some will come from within. However, as Nehemiah exemplified to us, prayer is our first resource, not our last resort, and prayer is one critical way our wall will be maintained.

Remember, membership matters at KingsGate. It is not something any of us should ever take lightly. As Nehemiah did as he rebuilt the wall, we serve one another, we carry the burden of one another, and we look after one another’s well-being. Therefore, I would encourage you that when you speak of KingsGate School, you don’t speak of “their school” but “my school”, as we have all been blessed to play a small part in God’s continuing narrative.

May you each have a lovely weekend and continue blessings in Christ.

Jared Stein
KingsGate School Principal

Staff Shout Out - Our shout-out in this newsletter goes to **Mrs Byslma**. Mrs Byslma, you are such a kind, caring and happy person! The kids and staff love you! You take on all tasks, big or small, and create wonderful relationships and memories for everyone along the way. We’re blessed to have you as part of our team.

School Gate Times

Please be aware the school gates are not open before 8:00am and that while students are welcome on site from 8:15am they are not supervised as staff are in their morning meeting and devotions. Staff are not expected onsite till 8:00am.

School Community Survey

We invite you to partake in our school community survey, this is a great opportunity to get a comprehensive overview of your thoughts on various aspects of KingsGate School. A link was sent by email in 2023, Please see the office if you would like this resent. If the link provided in the email does not work for you, there are printed copies in the office.

Uniform

KingsGate School requires a note for incorrect uniform items, we also expect that the situation is remedied as quickly as possible, please do speak with the team in the office if you have any queries. Please clearly and permanently name all items. Uniform requirements are found at <https://www.kingsgate.school.nz/school-information/school-uniform/>

Parent Prayer Meeting - Fridays

It's important to uphold our school in prayer. Please feel free to join us on Fridays at 8:40am - 9:00am in the lower block Maker Space. All are most welcome, please consider this your personal invitation to attend

Sponsorship

Thank you to the families that have made one off payments or started regular payments into the sponsorship account, this is such a blessing for families in our school community. If you wish to contribute, 100% of all monies donated go to supporting students in need, the account number is: KingsGate Cheque - ASB: 12-3107-0061691-00
Please reference with your family name and *sponsorship* as a reference on the payment

Skool Loop

We utilise the Skool Loop app for important communications, and as a new year begins your child/ren have moved year levels it is time to update the groups you are subscribed to. In the app select Settings > **Subscribe to groups**, then ensure all the groups your children are part of are selected. This is important for specialised messages and up-to-date information

Sun Hats and Sunscreen

In terms 1 and 4, all students are required to wear a KingsGate sun hat for outside play. Years 1-8 wear the royal blue bucket hat, high school has the school cap. Students without a hat are required to remain in the shade. A non-school hat may be worn if accompanied with a note (email or paper) to the child's whanau teacher. This is a short term intervention while a school hat is being purchased. Please also ensure all hats are clearly named

Prayer Thanksgiving

- For provision for the continued growth we are experiencing
- For our new staff that have joined us and are, for our much appreciated relievers.
- For our volunteers who make time to support our school and students: you make so many things possible to attend
- For the summer weather that students can enjoy the outside play

Prayer Requests

- For a spirit of unity as new classes settle together and new students find their place
- For God's hand over our staff, board, oversight and the school community
- For safety in activities both big and small in the school community
- For God's guidance for the decision making in the growth of the school and as we move in this next part of the vision of the school

Helpful Contacts/Numbers/Websites/Apps

School Phone Number:

09 974 0286

School Facebook Page:

KingsGate School

School Website:

www.kingsgate.school.nz

School Parent App:

Skool Loop

School Bank Details:

ASB

12-3107-0061691-00

Please reference with your family name and reason

School Fees - NZCPT -

Selena Codlin : selena@nzcpt.nz

You can still talk to the admin staff in the office about fees, it is good to talk if there is an issue with paying. We can usually make a payment plan if required to help.

NZCPT Bank Details (Fees):

ASB

12-3107-0061704-05

Please reference with your family code or name if unknown



We use **RESPECT** when we...

Follow classroom routines



A NEW JOURNEY BEGINS!



DOWNLOAD OUR SKOOL LOOP APP TO KEEP TRACK OF ALL SCHOOL NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2024.



Downloading the Skool Loop app - a step by step guide

Once you have downloaded the Skool Loop App, via either your Google Play or App store, please follow the below instructions to select your school -

- Open the Skool Loop App - you will land on a welcome page.
- Click the 'Select your schools' this will bring you to a menu you can either search your school or follow the country/region prompts.
- Once you reach your school, select it with the tick on the righthand side.
- Tap the 'select schools' button in the top right corner.
- Tap the big orange choose button. This will load your school and bring you to the settings page.
- Subscribe to the groups that are relevant to you, then click the 'go back' button on your phone, which will bring you to the main screen of your schools app.



THE SKOOL LOOP APP



www.lunchonline.co.nz

KINGSGATE SCHOOL 2024 Lunches

MONDAY – PITA PIT – orders close 9am

THURSDAY – Jesters fortnightly orders close 8am

FRIDAY – SUSHI – orders close 9am

www.lunchonline.co.nz



To open a Lunchonline account..

it's simple all you need to do is register an account at

www.lunchonline.co.nz

1. Login/Place an Order
2. Create an account
3. Add member/s include name, school and classroom number
4. Under Lunch Orders select student name – Start order and place your order
5. You will be directed to the make a payment page
6. A pop up will confirm 'your order has been successful' or check 'Order History' tab
7. Any queries please call us on 0800 LOL LOL (0800565565)

School Notices

SAVE THE DATE!

On the 17 of Feb from 9am - 12pm, Oke, an amazing group is helping us put a garden into our school!

The Garden is worth \$20,000!

One of our year 10's, Kayla and Mrs van Dam have been working very hard towards this. Lunch will be provided by the school.

We would love for you and your whanau to help us!



PLEASE BRING A HAT AND A WATER BOTTLE. EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL.

FOTS Presents:
Community Picnic
for KingsGate School

THURSDAY, 29 FEBRUARY from 5:30pm

LAWN GAMES SAUSAGE SIZZLE CHIPS

58 Blake Road, Pukekohe

Community Notices



ART CLASSES

CHILDREN - TWEENS - TEENS - ADULTS

Inspire your budding Picasso!
Explore different art techniques with exciting and vibrant projects using a variety of mediums.

After school - Holidays - Arty Parties

www.youngatart.co.nz admin@youngatart.co.nz

PUKEKOHE RUGBY

JUNIOR RUGBY

U5-U13S BOYS AND GIRLS WELCOME

Registration dates

Tuesday 20th Feb | 5.30pm-7.00pm
Wednesday 21st Feb | 5.30pm-7.00pm
Monday 26th Feb | 5.30pm-7.00pm
Wednesday 28th Feb | 5.30pm-7.00pm

Contact Sam for more info
gdm@pukekoherugby.co.nz

Scan the QR code to register



Pukekohe Rugby Club, 47 Reynolds Road, Pukekohe

After-School Art Club!



Gelli Plate Printmaking 4-Week Course

THURSDAYS 8 - 29 FEBRUARY, 3.15 - 4.15PM
Weta Room, Franklin Arts Centre
For Intermediate & High School Kids/Teens

Join us for a 4-week workshop series exploring the art of Gelli plate printmaking!

Spaces are limited. Book now to secure your spot. Walk-ins will be accepted if spaces are available before the start of each workshop. Attendance during the first 2 weeks is required to participate in the last 2 sessions.

Book via Eventbrite, visit <https://bitly.ws/3bxaz> or scan this QR code:



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Mon-Fri: 9.30am - 4.30pm, Sat: 9.30am - 2.30pm



Seasons For Growth is a grief, loss and change Programme for children dealing with challenges in their lives e.g separation, divorce, death, other family changes. Our Afterschool Programme starts next year in Term 1, held in Pukekohe and runs once a week over 8 weeks. An optional Parent Programme also runs at the same time. For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa Skilton 021 142 5812, office (09) 238 7228, or contact me at seasonsfranklin@xtra.co.nz. For more info please go to www.pukekohecommunityaction.co.nz/seasons.

TRAIN FOR LIFE FITNESS

Self Defence Classes

Train for Life Fitness self defence classes provides the student an opportunity to develop their physical fitness, body co-ordination, self confidence, resilience and discipline. Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu can be an excellent way for kids to engage in fun exercise while also learning valuable life skills.

Classes available Wednesday and Friday

Times:

5 - 9 year olds: 4pm to 4:45pm

10 - 13 year olds: 4:45pm to 5:30pm

Teenagers : 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Location: 168 Mill Road Bombay

Cost: \$12

Booking is essential!

Phone: 021 238 1081