KINGSGATE SCHOOL

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

Newsletter - Thursday 12 November - Term 4 Week 5

From the Principal

As our senior students sit their NCEA examinations and we prepare to welcome our first Year 13 students in 2027, there is much to be thankful for at KingsGate. These milestones reflect years of commitment, prayer and hard work from our staff, students and families. Please keep our students in your prayers as they draw on their learning and give their best during the examination season.

Growth also gives us an opportunity to consider what matters most. As we consult on our draft strategic plan for 2027–2028, we are looking carefully at how we can strengthen learning, deepen our Christian worldview and help students remain engaged in school life. Behind that planning is a shared desire for every child to be known, cared for and encouraged to grow in learning, character and faith.

Our motto, "To Know – To Love – To Serve", continues to guide us. We see it lived out in teachers who take time to understand a learner, students who encourage one another, and families who support our school community. As KingsGate grows, we want to nurture these everyday expressions of Christ's love.

I would love to hear your thoughts: **As KingsGate continues to grow, what is one thing about our school that you most want us to hold onto?** Please take a moment to share your response with me at principal@kingsgate.school.nz. Your perspective will help us care for what is precious as we prepare for the years ahead.

Blessings,
Jared Stein

Staff Shout Out



A shout-out to **Mrs Jennifer Truter**, one of our talented High School English teachers! Mrs Truter has a wonderful ability to get students hooked into English, sparking their interest and drawing them into their learning. Alongside her teaching talent, she is such a kind person whose warmth makes her a valued member of our KingsGate team. Thank you, Mrs Truter, for the enthusiasm and care you bring to our students!

Notice of Withdrawal - School Roll 2027

In order to give adequate opportunity to fill student vacancies, parents/caregivers are required to give one term's notice in writing of their intention to withdraw their child/ren. Please email the withdrawal notice to both the school office and NZCPT at admin@nzcpt.nz. Where no notice has been given, please refer for the NZCPT Fees form located on our website enrolments tab for conditions on withdrawing from the school.



Calendar Art Orders



Thank you so much for all your Calendar Art orders! The response has been fantastic, and we've received some wonderful feedback.

For those who placed their orders after 19 October, please keep an eye out for a message shortly advising when your orders are ready for collection from the temporary office.

Coming up:



Week 6	Fri 20 Nov	**Primary School Disco,** 5:00 - 7:00pm
Week 7	Wed 25 Nov	**Year 7 & 8 - Technology -** Students to arrive at school *on time for roll* call to catch the bus departing no later than 8:50
	Thur 26 - Fri 27 Nov	**Year 8 Camp** - Awhitu Presbyterian Christian Camp
Week 8	Wed, 2 Dec	**High School Prizegiving, 7:00 - 9:00pm Franklin Baptist**
	Thur 3 Dec	**Three Way Chats** - for Years 1-6 notice to come
	Fri 4 Dec	**Fruit of the Spirit Day**
Week 9	Tue 8 Dec	**Primary Big Day In** - Details to come
	Thur 10 Dec	**Primary School Prizegiving**, 9:30 - 11:00am
	Fri 11 Dec	**Last Day of School for students**

2027 Stationery Lists

The stationery requirement lists for 2027 are now ready, please visit www.myschool.co.nz and select KingsGate School, or click this link to see our lists for each year level.

Please take note that lists are different every year and changes have been made, and please take note of the **Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)** requirements for noted year levels.

Stationery can be ordered from:

- OfficeMax online - www.myschool.co.nz/kingsgate
- Or be sourced by you from any supplier you prefer - if you chose to purchase elsewhere please ensure you purchase identical items to prevent disruption to students learning.

Students are expected to come to school on the first day of Term 1 - 28 January 2027 ready to learn, with their full stationery requirements.



PRIMARY SCHOOL DISCO – 20th NOVEMBER!



A friendly reminder that our school disco is coming up on **Thursday 20th November!**



Have you bought your tickets and returned your permission form yet?
Don't miss out on a fun night of music, dancing and disco fun!

Upcoming Three-Way Chats - Years 1–6

We're looking forward to our upcoming Three-Way Chats on **Thursday, 3 December** in Week 8. These are a valuable opportunity for students, whānau, and teachers to come together and discuss each child's learning journey – celebrating progress and identifying next steps for continued growth.

Time slots will run in 12-minute increments, so we kindly ask all families to be prompt to help us stay on schedule. Due to time constraints, if a longer discussion is needed, please arrange a separate time to meet with your child's teacher. Meetings are held in the LIFEspace at the teacher's desk. Please book one session for your child's whanau teacher.

Bookings are now open and can be **made via the SkoolLoop app or visit: https://www.console.skoolloop.com/interviews/23295/**
Bookings will close at 3pm on Monday 30 November. *Late bookings cannot be submitted*.

As teachers will be conducting Three-Way Chats, regular classes will not be held on this day. We strongly recommend that students remain at home during this time. Please note that there will be minimal teacher aide supervision for students available at school on the day. Please indicate via the booking form on SkoolLoop if you require this option.

Bee Smart



Our school fields can attract bees, so we encourage all students to wear shoes when outside to help reduce the risk of bee stings. If your child has an allergy to bee stings, please ensure the school office has this information recorded on their student file, including details of the reaction and its severity. This helps us be prepared to respond appropriately if a sting occurs.

Our School Car Park -
Working Together as a Community



As we navigate afternoon school pick-up, we encourage everyone to show consideration, patience and kindness towards one another. This is a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate the **Fruit of the Spirit** through our everyday actions, including how we conduct ourselves in the car park.

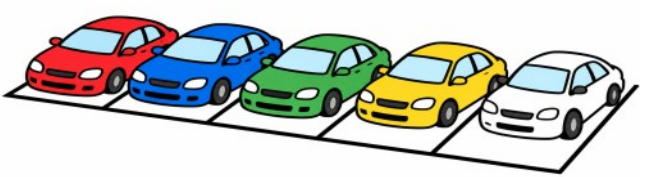
A few important reminders:

- **Slow down:** The car park speed limit is 5km/h. Please remain alert to pedestrians, children and other vehicles at all times.
- **Respect the queue:** When the car park reaches full capacity, queuing is necessary. Please wait your turn and allow the queue to progress naturally rather than trying to find alternative ways through.
- **Be considerate:** Be aware of those around you and remember that everyone's turn will come. A little patience goes a long way.
- **Keep pick-up moving:** Please make your collection is prompt and as efficient as possible. Parents of older students are encouraged to remind them to make their way to the car park promptly after class, helping free up spaces and keep the queue moving.

We understand that at peak times queues can extend beyond the school entrance and along the road, including the median strip. We ask everyone to remain patient and considerate, remembering that families ahead and behind you are all waiting for their turn.

Our car park meets required Health and Safety standards, and we are fortunate to have the parking capacity that we do compared with many schools in our region. However, there will naturally be times when demand exceeds the spaces available at any one time, and this requires us to work together.

Let's remember we are one school community. A little patience, courtesy and consideration from each of us makes a big difference. Thank you for helping to keep our school community safe and respectful.



Keeping Up with School Communication

As we approach the end of the school year and look forward to the summer holidays, it is still important that we remain informed, connected and working together as a school community to ensure a smooth finish to the term.

The school endeavours to keep all parents and whānau informed about what is happening across the school. We would therefore like to draw your attention to several recent communications and encourage you to take a moment to ensure you have received, read and understood the following notices:

NCEA Exam Conditions – Upper School Building (Kauri Tahi)

The Upper School building (Kauri Tahi) is currently being used as our Exam Centre. Access to this area of the school grounds is restricted to staff and students involved in assessments. The main gate (at the letterbox end of the carpark) will remain locked, meaning there will be no access to the school through this entrance. Please use the side gate by the playground for all access to the school grounds, both in the morning and throughout the school day.

Afternoon School Pick-Up

As previously communicated, the Staff Carpark will be closed to pedestrian access only. The end gates (by the bins, a flag to indicate) will remain locked until 2:30pm to help ensure student safety. At 2:30pm, the staff member on duty will unlock and open the gates, signalling the commencement of school pick-up.

Temporary Office Relocation

During this time, the school office will be temporarily relocated to an office space in the second lower building, Kauri Rua. Please follow the signs to locate the temporary office.

Due to this temporary change, the school phone line will not be answered directly. However, the line will remain active, and voicemail messages will be checked regularly.

Alternatively, you can contact the office by mobile on **020 430 7289** or by email at **info@kingsgate.school.nz**.

2027	KingsGate School Term Dates	
	Commences	**Concludes**
Term 1	28th January	9th April
Term 2	27th April	2nd July
Term 3	19th July	24th September
Term 4	11th October	13th December

Uniform Expectations: No White Socks

We have noticed an increase in the number of students wearing **white socks** with their school uniform. Please remember that white socks are not part of the KingsGate School uniform requirements.

To help ensure students are wearing the correct uniform, please review the following expectations.

Shoes and Sandals

- Plain, all-black school shoes are permitted. For younger students, Velcro fastenings may be more practical than laces.
- Plain, all-black sandals with back straps are permitted.
- Shoes with heels are not permitted.
- Socks must not be worn with sandals.

The following footwear is not permitted:

- Crocs
- Boots
- Jandals
- Scuffs or slides

Socks and Stockings

- Primary students: Navy socks.
- High school students: Navy or black crew socks.
- Socks must be plain, with no patterns or pictures.

We appreciate your support in helping our students meet the school's uniform expectations.

Yummy Apple Stickers

Thank you to everyone for handing in their Yummy Sticker collections!! We have submitted our collection for the year to redeem for free sports equipment! You can still continue to collect stickers and cut out labels and we can set them aside for the 2027 submission. Contact the school office to collect a sheet, or download your own here for stickers or cutout labels.



Notice Board

Seasons For Growth

Helping children and families through life's changes

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 again this term, held in Pukekohe and runs once a week over 7-8 weeks. An optional Parent Programme also runs at the same time.

For enquiries or enrolments please phone/text Marisa 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

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PRIMARY Prize Giving 2026

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Thursday, 10 December 2026

9:00 am – 11:30 am

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PUKEKOHE FOOTBALL

The Advanced Development Program is built for players with ambition. Our vision is to create the strongest player development pathway in the region, giving young footballers the opportunity to learn, grow, and reach their potential within a club that genuinely invests in development.

With specialised coaching, challenging training environments, and a clear focus on long-term growth, this program is for players ready to push themselves to the next level.

We are inviting interested players to register for our ID sessions being held in November.
Ages U10 to U13
Ages U14 to U17
These ID sessions will assist us to form Advanced Development squads.

Advanced Development Squads will be playing in the 2027 winter season. This means you need to register your child into the correct age group for 2027. That is the age your child turns between 1st January and 31st December 2027.

For example:
If your child turns 10 in 2027 they will be U10 and should register in the U10-U13 ID group
If your child turns 14 in 2027 they will be U14 and should register in the U14-U17 ID group
It is highly preferable that you register for both ID sessions – 20th & 27th November.

We will be offering a presentation and information evening with a Q&A for parents and caregivers about the Development Program. These will be held at the Bledisloe Park Clubrooms. There are two options to attend:
* Friday 13 November - 6pm; or
* Wednesday 18 November - 7:30pm

Please check out the dedicated webpage for ID session information and registration link: https://www.pukekoheafc.com/advanced-development-programme/

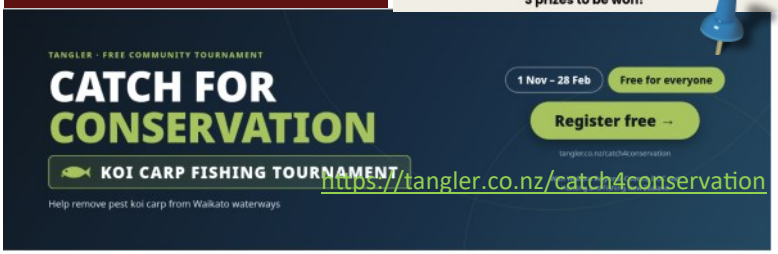
Please Note: For all players wishing to play in our community teams, our musters will be held in February 2027. Keep an eye out for dates and information closer to the time

If you have any queries, please contact Bradley, our Director of Football: dof@pukekoheafc.com



We're giving away $600 worth of Word Whizz Literacy Hubs to help your child strengthen their reading and spelling skills from home. Head to the Word Whizz Facebook page to find out how to enter and be in to win one of three prizes: https://www.facebook.com/wordwhizzonline/





https://tangler.co.nz/catch4conservation



Artz On Show School Holiday Workshops are all about giving children the opportunity to get creative, try something new and have heaps of fun along the way! Throughout the week, children participate in Dance, Drama, Singing, Art and other exciting activities, while making new friends, developing confidence and working together towards our end-of-week performance!





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 School - ASB: 12-3107-0061691-00

Please reference with your family name and *sponsorship* as a reference on the payment.

Helpful Contacts/Numbers/Websites/Apps

School Phone Number:
09 239 0297 or 020 430 7289

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 with the students name if code is unknown

School Communication

Please direct general enquiries to our front desk email:
info@kingsgate.school.nz or phone: **09 239 0297**

KingsGate School Contacts

If you have a specific query, please see below for contacts

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