



KINGSGATE SCHOOL

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

Newsletter - Thursday 29 May - Term 2 Week 5

From the Principal

I want to take a moment to commend our students who have been sitting their corequisite exams over the past week. Their attitude, focus, and resilience have been outstanding, and it's been encouraging to see so many of them approach these assessments with confidence. With just one exam to go this Friday, I'd like to extend a sincere thank you to the teachers, peers, and support staff who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to prepare and encourage our students – your efforts have made a real difference.

From time to time, I hear the phrase, "That shouldn't happen in a Christian school." And while the sentiment is understandable, the reality is that it sometimes does – because we are all human and all fallen. Mistakes happen, both from our students and, at times, from us as adults. The difference in a Christian school is not that we're perfect, but in how we respond when things go wrong. We have the opportunity to extend grace, speak life, and wrap one another in the fruit of the Spirit – love, patience, kindness, and self-control. John 1:14 tells us that Jesus came "full of grace and truth." Yet, in our fallen nature, we often cling to truth when we feel wronged – especially when it concerns our children – and we may demand punishment or admonishment without offering grace. But that's not the way it should be. Grace doesn't ignore wrongdoing; it chooses to correct in love, with gentleness, and in a way that respects the dignity of the person who has fallen. I encourage all our families to approach every interaction with our staff and students with both grace and truth, just as Christ did. This is how we truly live out the heart of a Christian school.

A quick reminder that our **School Board elections are coming up in September**, and we encourage parents and caregivers to consider this as a wonderful opportunity to serve and contribute to the ongoing growth and direction of our school.

Nga Mihi

Jared Stein

KingsGate School Principal

Staff Shout Out

A big shout out to **Mr Maslin** our new Head of High School, who's already making a huge impact! He's creating awesome opportunities for our students and bringing fresh energy and vision to the team. We're loving his "blue sky thinking" approach and the exciting direction he's leading us in!



Teacher only day - 3 June

Please note that the Tuesday following the King's Birthday public holiday is a Teacher only day and there is no school for students. See you again at school on the Wednesday 4th June and enjoy an extra long weekend!

FOTS Box:

Our next FOTS event is the **sausage sizzle** on Thursday 19 June - please check you emails and reply if you can help or get in touch with us at fots@kingsgate.school.nz to lend a hand.



We are still looking for a leader for our group of full-time working parents with aspirations to help us provide more support and activities for our school and students.

Mufti Days are held twice a term on the Friday of Week 4 and Week 8 of each Term, a cold coin donation is requested. - This term week 8's Friday is a public holiday but do not fret - you don't miss out - Mufti Day will be held on the Thursday. You can mark these dates in your calendar now!

Coming up		
Wk 5	Fri, 30 May	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
Week 6	Mon, 2 Jun	King's Birthday - Public Holiday - No school
	Tues, 3 Jun	Teacher Only Day - No School
	Fri, 6 Jun	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
		Primary Assembly 8:50am in Totara LIFEspace, all welcome to attend
Week 7	Mon, 9 June	Scholastic Book Club - Issue 4 - Orders Close 10:00am
	Wed, 11 Jun	Year 7 & 8 -Technology - Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate School at 8:45am
		Rugby day - Year 6 and under
		Pink Ribbon Breakfast - see note
		NZSO Concert - Years 9 - 11
	Thur, 12 Jun	Rugby day - Years 7 - 8
Week 8	Fri, 13 Jun	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
	Wed, 18 Jun	Speech Showcase - Years 1 - 4 Speech Finals - Years 5-8
	THUR 19 Jun	Mufti Day and FOTS Sausage Sizzle
	Fri, 20 Jun	Matariki - Public Holiday - No school
Week 9	Mon - Wed	Curriculum Connections - Junior High (Years 7-11) 1:30 - 4:00
	Mon, 23 Jun	Board of Trustees Meeting - 7pm at the school

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	Tues, 24 Jun	ACS Netball Tournament - Years 3 - 8
		Left to their own devices: Parenting in the digital era 7pm at Franklin Baptist Church - See note
	Wed, 25 Jun	Year 7 & 8 -Technology - Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate School at 8:45am
		3-Way Chats - Years 1 - 6 - 10:00am - 6:30pm
	Fri, 27 Jun	Primary Assembly 8:50am in Totara LIFEspace, all welcome to attend
		Last Day of Term 2

THE TRICKY CHATS™

PARENTING COURSE

Parenting students in a digital age is an area of concern that many parents are asking questions around how can we best support our child to navigate a tricky, challenging and changing reality.

As part of our Well-being term KingsGate in conjunction with Franklin Baptist Church are bringing Jo Robertson from "The Tricky Chats: Parenting Course" to run a talk on "Left to their own devices: Parenting in the digital era". This talk will support parents with skills and strategies to support their child in navigating safe use of digital spaces.

This event is going to be held at the Franklin Baptist Church at 7 pm on June 24th. There is no cost to attend and supper will be provided.

We look forward to providing this event and hope to see you at it.

LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES
TUESDAY 24 JUNE
7PM **Parenting in the Digital Era**

We use **ENDURANCE** when we...

Wait for the right time



SAVE THE DATE

PINK RIBBON BREAKFAST



Y9, 10, 11
Students and families

11 June

8h30-9h30am



Pay what's in your heart for ethical coffee, tea and breakfast treats made by Zanneli, Ivan, Riley, Kimberly and Zacch in year 9.

All proceeds to Pink Ribbon Foundation

Learning in Action at KingsGate



KingsGate's first hockey team!



Structured Literacy in Year 1



Ava & Hailey with their service project for the community



Tim was excited to receive free deodorant



Joshua,
Sacha and
Ethan
collecting



Letter
writing in
Totara

Auckland Writers Festival

On May 15th, 15 year 9-11 year students from Kingsgate School attended the Auckland Writers Festival with thousands of other New Zealand kids. The day was an incredible experience, allowing young, like-minded people to come together and learn more about literature and famous writers' stories.

The first speaker we saw was Lemn Sissay, who shared amazing stories and poems from his life experience. He brought a vibe of unique, authentic British humour and shared that he writes four-line poems every morning at dawn, referring to it as an “experiment of hope”. Lemn also recited an excerpt from his poetry collection, “Let the Light Pour In.”

Our second speaker was Neal Shusterman, an American dystopian/sci-fi author, who shared about his start to writing and the difficulties and benefits of being a writer with neurodivergence. He had started as a boy in grade 3 who was disliked by his teacher and sent to the library; this kick-started his journey as a writer, as he only started reading books in the library. Eventually, later on, he started writing stories and even entered a competition where he didn't place. After being a camp counsellor and sharing stories with the kids there, he got inspired to write again and began writing stories. He then became an author and wrote the “Scythe” series during the age of dystopia. He then wrote a book about a happy virus called Crown Royale in his latest book, “All Better Now”, which came out this year after COVID-19 circulated the world.

The final speaker was a New Zealand speculative fiction author named Lee Murray. She shared about her genre and how to write yourself into the story. Her books are based on “what if...”, pondering the possibilities of our reality and building on the things that are or could go wrong. Her book “Fox Spirit on a Distant Cloud” followed a family through generations, seeing their point of view and how they had to live through the times.

Thank you to all the parents and teacher helpers for this event, we really appreciate the time that you spent to make that day possible. We are already looking forward to next year.

By Jayden De Matos, Lily van Dam, Raizel Tolentino



Kingsgate Shines at Week 4 Franklin Soccer Tournament

Kingsgate School proudly fielded teams across multiple divisions at the Week 4 Franklin Soccer Tournament, with impressive results!

Year 3 & 4 Boys dominated their grade, finishing **1st overall**, going unbeaten with 5 wins and 2 draws. They scored a massive 26 goals and conceded only 5.

Year 3 & 4 Girls also had a strong showing, claiming **2nd place** with 5 wins, 1 draw, and 1 loss.

Year 3 & 4 Mixed Team placed **5th**, a commendable result in a tough pool of nine teams.

Year 5 Mixed Team (Section 2) battled hard to earn **3rd place**, just two points behind the leaders.

Year 6 Mixed Team (Section 1) stood out with an undefeated streak, finishing in **1st place** with 6 wins and 1 draw. Kadian scored 16 goals. Well done, Peet, for also scoring an excellent goal.

In the **Year 7 Mixed Grade**, Kingsgate A placed **3rd** while Kingsgate B followed closely in **4th**, showing depth and talent across both teams.

Kingsgate's **Year 8 Mixed Team** took **3rd place**, demonstrating consistency at the senior level.

The **Year 8 Boys Team** faced strong competition and finished **8th**, gaining valuable experience and showing resilience throughout the tournament.

Across all age groups, our Kingsgate players represented our school with pride, sportsmanship, and skill. Congratulations to all the players a big thank you to all the parents helping to make this possible as well as to the students who helped referee.



Our amazing year 6 and 10 referees who gave their time & skills!



Community Notices

**NZ MODERN SCHOOL OF MUSIC
COUNTIES ANNUAL
46TH COMPETITIONS**

 6th & 7th June 2025
Friday and Saturday
8.30am to late afternoon

**Franklin Baptist Church
128 Victoria Street
Pukekohe**
Admission Cash Only
\$5 Adults Children/Performers free

Tickets at
starsnetball.co.nz



2025 Home Games

ROUND 2	VS TACTIX	SUN 18 MAY, 4PM
ROUND 3	VS PULSE	SAT 24 MAY, 4PM
ROUND 5	VS MAGIC	MON 9 JUN, 7:30PM
ROUND 6	VS STEEL	SAT 14 JUN, 4PM
ROUND 8	VS MYSTICS	MON 30 JUN, 7:30PM



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KIDS AFTER SCHOOL

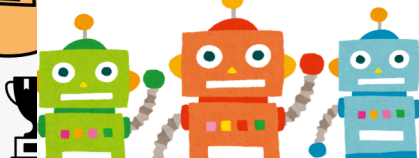
TEACHER ONLY DAY

TUESDAY 3RD JUNE !

**ROBOT DAY @ BOMBAY SCHOOL
PUKEKOHE HILL SCHOOL
& TE HIHI SCHOOL**

CREATE YOUR OWN ROBOT OUT OF RECYCLING ,
ROBOT DANCES, ROBOT BUILDING & LOTS MORE!

HEAD TO WWW.KIDSAFTERSCHOOL.CO.NZ TO BOOK
IN.



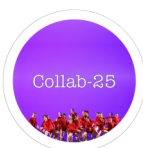
Does your child love to dance? Are you looking for a comprehensive school holiday program for the July school holidays?

The Classical Collab have an incredible opportunity for you! For dancers aged 7 and up, come and join our youth company and see what it's like to dance and create in

preparation for a performance at the incredible Q Theatre on the last day.

Visit [https://](https://www.theclassicalcollab.co.nz/projects/current)

www.theclassicalcollab.co.nz/projects/current for details.



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.

Helpful Contacts/Numbers/Websites/Apps

School Phone Number:

09 293 0297

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

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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