



KINGSGATE SCHOOL

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

Newsletter - Thursday 14 August - Term 3 Week 5

From the Principal

I'm pleased to share that our recent Special Character Review was a great success, affirming that KingsGate School's Christian character is in strong and vibrant health. The review team commended the way our values are lived out across the school, both in the classroom and in the wider life of our community. I want to extend my sincere thanks to all those who participated in the survey and provided feedback to the review team, your insights and reflections were invaluable in shaping a true picture of who we are. It is encouraging to see that the heart of our school remains steadfast, with our special character continuing to guide and inspire all that we do.

I'd like to gently remind our school community of something I shared in our last newsletter: if you hear something about the school, whether it relates to staff, curriculum, or any other matter, please come directly to us and ask. We are always happy to clarify, explain, and provide the facts. Gossip, even when it seems harmless, can cause hurt and division, and Scripture reminds us that it is one of the enemy's tools to undermine unity. Let's continue to protect and nurture the loving, Christ-centred environment we value so much by choosing open, honest conversations over speculation.

Congratulations to our primary staff and students for an absolutely wonderful Maths Week! It has been fantastic to see

the creativity, enthusiasm, and problem-solving skills on display throughout the week's activities. The energy in classrooms and around the school has been contagious, and it's clear that everyone has embraced the joy of learning through maths. I'm especially looking forward to seeing all the amazing costumes on Friday, I know they will be the perfect finale to a week of fun, learning, and community spirit.

Noho ora mai

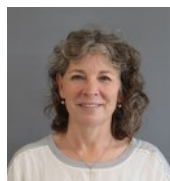
Jared Stein

KingsGate School Principal

Staff Shout Out

Our Staff Shout out this week goes to **Nikki Silich!**

Nikki, your patience, kindness, and commitment to our students don't go unnoticed. You consistently go above and beyond to support learning and create a positive, encouraging environment. Thank you for the care you show every day. You make a real difference!



2026 School Roll

If you plan to withdraw your child from KingsGate at the end of this year, please inform the school office in writing and NZCPT via email to: selena@nzcpt.nz as soon as possible. We are preparing classes for 2026 and require accurate student figures to fit within our roll cap.

Preschooler Siblings – Intention to Join KingsGate

We are blessed to have a lot of interest in our Year 1 cohort, each year our limited spaces fill up earlier. To assist with planning and to best avoid disappointment, we kindly encourage families with preschool-aged siblings to notify the school of your intentions and to submit the online application form for each sibling wishing to start KingsGate well in advance.

Wanted: Board Games



One of our lunchtime clubs in Primary is looking to add some new fun to their board game collection! If you have any games at home that are suitable for primary-aged children and are no longer being used, we'd love to give them a new home. Feel free to drop any donations off at the school office.

Week 8: NCEA 1 Derived Grade Practice Exam Week 1

Week 9: NCEA 1 Two day Barista Course

Week 9: Year 10 and 11 Co-Requisite Assessment Week 2

Term 4 - Week 2: NCEA 1 Derived Grade Practice Exam Week 1

Remember that from Week 8 of this term is the Co-Requisite Assessments and practice exam week for Year 10 and 11 students and NCEA 1 candidates.

Students are kept updated on the schedule for the week, and will attend their assessments in Kauri Tahī.

Whānaau and students are reminded to regularly check our KGS NCEA Students/Whānaau Hub 2025, particularly the KGS NCEA Assessment Calendar 2025 staff/student KGS.

A reminder that all Co-Requisite and exam candidates must have photo ID to enter and sit NZQA assessments, practice exams and final end of year exams.

Sending Emails to Teachers

When contacting a teacher via email, please make sure to use their address in the format: **firstname.lastname@kingsgate.school.nz**.

This ensures your message is delivered directly to their inbox. Please note: You may receive emails from teachers through our student management system, which uses addresses ending in @kingsgate.school.kiwi. These addresses are system generated and are *not* linked to the teachers' personal inboxes, any replies sent there will not be received by your teacher.

Yummy Apple Stickers

As a school we collect Yummy brand apple stickers and labels. Once a year in October these can be redeemed for **free sports equipment** for the school.

If you'd like to help collect stickers and labels, your child can collect a sheet from the office to fill up. Keep munching!



We use VISION when we...

Say sorry and mean it

SORRY



Coming up:

Week 5	Fri, 15 Aug	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
		High School 11:00 - 2:30pm Parent Working Bee
		Primary School Themed Mufti day for Maths Week
Week 6	Wed, 20 Aug	Year 3 & 4 - Butterfly Creek class trip
		Year 5 & 6 - Hamilton Zoo class trip
		Year 7 & 8 - Technology - Students to be dropped off at Pukekohe Intermediate School in the morning
	Fri, 22 Aug	Primary Assembly 8:50am in Totara LIFESpace, all welcome to attend
		Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
Week 7	Tue, 26 Aug	KingsGate School Cross Country Fun Colour Run 
	Thu, 28 Aug	ACS Cross Country for those qualified
	Fri, 29 Aug	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
		Primary School 6-8pm - Book Character Themed DISCO
		High School 6-8pm - Spring Themed SOCIAL
Week 8	Fri, 5 Sep	Parent Prayer Meeting 8:40am meet by the playground
		Mathex - Years 5 & 6 presenting students
		Mufti Day - Gold coin donation requested
Wk 9	Mon, 8 Sep	School Board Meeting 7:00pm at school. All welcome.



Kingsgate Cross Country Fun Colour Run Tuesday, 26 August 2025 - At KingsGate School

Colour Run Information

Come dressed in a **light-coloured/old shirt** (girls, please wear something underneath for comfort).

Wear **active or sports shoes**.

You're welcome to **dress up to match the Colour Run theme** – get creative!

Bring an **old towel**, a **plastic bag for your shoes**, and a **water bottle**.

Running times are approximate and may change slightly on the day. Most importantly – bring **heaps of energy, excitement, and team spirit!**

During the Colour Run, there will be an option for students who prefer not to have colour powder thrown on them.

Please note:

- Only adults will be throwing the colours.
- Colour powder will be thrown no higher than shoulder height.
- Students will be reminded to close their mouths when passing the colour station

Running order & Times:

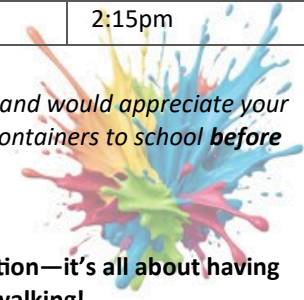
Please note: running times are *approximate* and may change slightly on the day

Year 9-11	2.25 km	1:30pm
Year 7-8	2.25 km	1:45 pm
Year 4-6	1.5 km	2pm
Year 1-3	750m	2:15pm

*We are collecting ice cream containers and would appreciate your help. Please send any clean ice cream containers to school **before Friday, 22 August**.*

Thank you for your support

We encourage whole-school participation—it's all about having fun with classmates while running or walking!



Learning in action at KingsGate



From L to R from top:

Year 6 Cook Island art, Wandre (y2) learning outside, library and lego lunch club, baking cupcakes for SPCA fundraiser, 100 SERVE point reward for Connor and Stephan, Puriri students playing with the outdoor kitchen, High School students exploring learning offsite, maths in action with year 3s, year 9s at Franklin Mathex competition, Puriri students enjoying the primary library space!



From L to R from top:

High School students involved in service learning, primary students enjoying a maths week challenge, year 11 students enjoying a shared lunch, a group of High School students tending to the school garden and learning how to trap with OKE Gardens.



*Psalm 143:10
"Teach me to do
your will, for
you are my God.
Let your good
Spirit lead me on
level ground"*

**The Variety of Life by Alec
Jordaan, Year 6**



Biodiversity is an essential part of life on Earth. Scientists also classify living organisms to make them easier to study.

Biodiversity is the large variety of all living things on Earth. It can also support many humans with materials, food, water, and medicine. It can also provide us with clean, fresh air.

Classification is a system that is used to group living organisms into categories based on their different characteristics and features.

Carl Linnaeus created an amazing system called the Binomial Naming System, and it is used to this day. It helps to avoid confusion when scientists research and discuss living things.

The Variety of Life by Connor Lotter, Year 6

Biodiversity is needed for ecosystems because without it we would struggle to survive. From classification to famous scientists such as Carl Linnaeus, this writing has it all!

Biodiversity is vital for life because it makes everything unique and provides us with clean air, food and medicine. Being a scientist is just one of the jobs that you, yes you, can get. Scientists help us and protect life on our planet.

Carl Linnaeus was an 18th Century scientist who made a system for classifying living things. This system helped to avoid confusion when discussing plants and animals. This system is called the Binomial Naming System. (It uses Latin words) It helps scientists better understand and protect living things.

In conclusion, biodiversity is important for life on earth, classification helps scientists understand and organise living things, and Carl Linnaeus was famous for his Binomial Naming System.



Sports at KingsGate

From L to R from top:

High school netball in action, Christian Schools netball, zone cross country, year 5&6 girls netball, year 3&4 netball, year 7&8 netball.



KingsGate School School Board Elections Parent Election Notice

Nominations are open for the election of five parent representatives to the school board.

All eligible voters will receive a nomination form. Use this form to nominate yourself or someone in your community. You will also receive a nomination cover letter calling for nominations. Information on who is not eligible to be a board member is provided with this notice, and the nomination form.

If you need more nomination forms, contact the school office.

Nominations close at **noon** on *Wednesday, 10 September 2025*. You may provide a signed candidate statement and photograph with your nomination.

The electoral roll is held at the school office and can be viewed during normal school hours.

As nominations are received, there will be a list of candidates' names kept at the school up until election day, which you can view.

Voting closes at **4pm** on *Wednesday, 15 October 2025*.

Signed

Louise Posthuma

Returning Officer

Our next FOTS event is:

Book Character Themed Disco for Years 1 - 6



Friday, 29 August

6:00 - 8:00pm

Totara LIFEspace

\$2 a ticket



Come dressed in your favourite book character costume!

Tickets will be sold until 22nd August via the online links or at the school office.

We will be selling snacks on the night, please bring cash

Hope to
see you
there!



KingsGate Social

Friday 29th August
2025
6:00 - 8:00 PM

Dress Code: Semi-formal
Theme: Spring

Years 7 - 11

Join us for a night of praise, fellowship, and fun!

We will have snacks, drinks, and lollies for sale on the night.

Tickets will be \$3 to fundraise for the Daffodils and Cancer Society

2025 Term Dates

Term 3	Commenced:	14 July
	Concludes:	19 September
Term 4	Commences:	6 October
	Concludes:	16 December

School Lunches - you can order lunch for delivery to school

Pita Pit & Sal's Pizza: Alternating Thursdays

Enjoy Sushi - Every Friday

Lunches are delivered to the Maker-Space relevant to each students classroom for collection.

To Order: follow these 4 steps

1. Register an account at lunchonline.co.nz
2. Add member/s including names and delivery location
3. Make a payment to have funds in your account before you order
4. Select your lunch and place an order



0800 LOL LOL or 0800 565 565

info@lunchonline.co.nz



TO SET UP LUNCHONLINE LIKE AN APP ON YOUR PHONE:

Go to www.lunchonline.co.nz

Android

1. At the top right of the screen, there is a drop-down option. This will give you a menu of options.
2. Scroll up and click on 'Add to the Home Screen'

iPhone :

1. At the bottom center, click on the icon showing a box with an upward arrow.
2. This will give you a menu of options
3. Scroll up and click on 'Add to the Home Screen' - Click Add

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 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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