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The King's Ken



**SACRIFICING
CONVERSATION
FOR MERE
CONNECTION**



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Dear parents, there is an assault on the relationship we have with our kids. We need to be aware of it and we need to fight for healthy interaction with our children. I want to encourage parents to read a book called Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in a Digital Age by Sherry Turkle.

"We live in a technological world in which we are always communicating and yet we have sacrificed conversation for mere connection. We turn away from each other and toward our phones. We are forever elsewhere. But to empathize, to grow, to love and be loved, to take the measure of ourselves or of another, to fully understand and engage with the world around us, we must be in conversation. It is the most human - and humanizing - thing that we do."

As people who believe in The Way that Christ has shown us, we never want it to be said "we are forever elsewhere". We have just celebrated Christmas, a Gospel story of a God that chooses to be with us. He sees us, really sees us, and comes to be with us where we are. This is the pattern he shows us, and it is the way we should follow.

Sherry Turkle has helped me and Marian as parents to gain some valuable insights. Why don't you check it out too?

MR. KEN LANGLEY
Principal

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

RECLAIMING CONVERSATION

THE POWER OF TALK
IN A DIGITAL AGE



"A singular voice in the discourse about technology"
—Jonathan Franzen, *The New York Times* Best Review

SHERRY TURKLE

AUTHOR OF *ALONE TOGETHER*

FINANCE OFFICE TIMES

Please note that the Finance Office will **only** be available for calls and visits during the following times daily:

07:30 to 10:00 and
again from **13:00 to
15:00**

NB! DATES FOR THE TERM

5 February	-	Nursery School Photo Day
7 February	-	High School Information Evening (19:00)
8 February	-	High School Daddy Daughter Date
9 February	-	Gr. 12 Maths (08:00 – 10:00)
11-15 Feb.	-	Fun Week
15 February	-	School Picnic/Civvies Day/Shavathon
16 February	-	Agape Ball
16 February	-	Pre-Primary Sports Day
18-26 Feb.	-	Festival of Fame
20 February	-	School Day Prayer Day
23 February	-	Gr. 12 Physical Sciences (08:00-10:00)
23 February	-	Nursery School Sports Day
25 February	-	Intermediate Phase Blue Certificate Assembly
1 March	-	HS Certificate Assembly
2 March	-	The King's Cup (Chess)
2 March	-	Open Day (09:00 – 14:00)
6-8 March	-	School Camp (Gr. 5 – Matric)
6 March	-	Gr. 4 Day Camp
15 March	-	Wintersport Interhouse
15 March	-	Nursery School Fun Day
15 March	-	SCHOOL CLOSES

@ 11:45 for Pre-School and Foundation Phase

@ 12:00 for Intermediate Phase and High School



THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT!

1 February	-	Sugar	8 March	-	Mielie Meal
8 February	-	Soup/Gravy	15 March	-	Rice
15 February	-	Baked Beans			
22 February	-	Dishwashing Soap			
1 March	-	Handy Andy/Savlon			

In addition to the above, any warm clothes for children from 3 months to 9 years old will be greatly appreciated.

Please Note: In case of absenteeism a doctor's note must be provided for all summative assessments (tests, orals, practical assessments etc) missed.



LRC 2019

8 AB	Buhle Fadane	Joshua Paikin
8 CN	Rachel Baker	Matthew Germanus
8 LW	Leigh-Anne Markgraaff	Munopaishe Muzondo
9 LH	Alicia Nyepa	Sebastian Thomas
9 NB	Jenna Mitchley	Douglas Chauke
9 LM	Sphokazi Khanyi	Jason Phillips
10 ST	Ashleigh Steed	Clifford Louw
10 AV	Kago Mahlare	Jonathan Harvey
10 DD	Meagan Harris	Jason Struwig
11 VS	Jaden Lloyd	Ndumiso Khuzwayo
11 WT	Alyssa Habanna	Omphile Ledwaba
11 LM	Queen Moase	Yaddah Sehlangu
12 PD	Tineal Goss	Rogan Partridge
12 NL	Kayley Johnson	Justin Syse
12 GS	Alex Venkatas	Tristan Meyer

**Congratulations to our newly appointed
Learner Representative Council!**

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Friendly Reminder: School fees must be paid in advance, before the 7th of each month, 12 Months of the year.



It is an honour to be elected by your peers and we are thankful for your willingness to serve in this position.

THE SCHOOL WEAR SHOP

Liza Smith - 072 108 3670
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OPERATING HOURS - SCHOOL TERMS ONLY

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday:
06:45 to 13:30

CLOSED on Tuesdays & Fridays

**TO ACCOMMODATE OUR
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Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month
09:00 to 12:00**



SWOP SHOP

For second hand school items to buy or swap

If you have any good quality second hand items you would like to donate to the swop shop you may drop off as well.

Contact Debbie:

073 152 0333

Debbie.Bevan@saiglobal.com

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MEET COCO

Coco, who was Aunty Marlene's dog, has stayed at the school for many years. But Coco loves to explore, and often we can't find her!

So, yes, you've guessed it, Coco has wandered off again.

CAN YOU HELP TO FIND HER?



If you spot Coco somewhere on the school premises, please fill in the form below and hand it in to reception. **THE FIRST TEN CORRECT ENTRIES DRAWN THAT HELP US TO FIND COCO WILL GET A RIO TUCK SHOP VOUCHER!**

ENTRANCE FORM

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Where is Coco? _____

DEVELOPING EQ IN YOUR CHILD

So many school students today are developing intellectually but lagging in their emotional intelligence. How can we as Parents help our kids grow in this area? The King's School is offering this EQ information evening **FREE OF CHARGE** to all parents of children 3-18 years old. Please come and learn!

TOPIC: Developing EQ

SPEAKER: Nicola Simpson

DATE: Thursday, 7 February 2019

TIME: 19:00



ATHLETICS

The Kings School West Rand participated in Hoërskool Bekker's annual high school friendly athletics meeting. After facing some stiff competition, our athletes walked off of the track with a smile on their faces and joy in their hearts. Unfortunately the meeting had to end early due to a storm that hit. We are so proud of our wonderful athletes that represented our school so well! Keep it up for the rest of the season!



FRIENDLY ATHLETICS MEETING –
HOËRSKOOL BEKKER –
FRIDAY 25TH JANUARY



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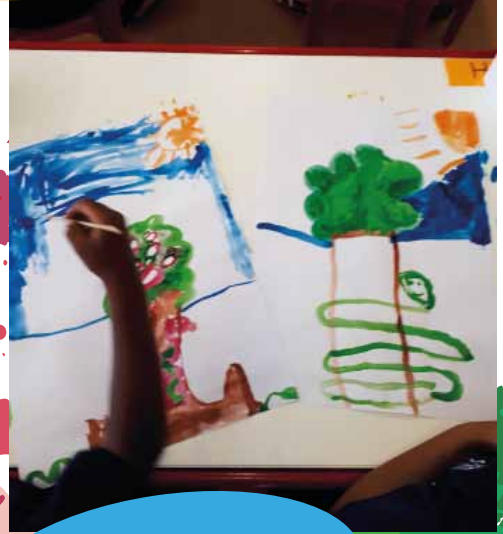
55 of our athletes participated on Friday. A number of our athletes finished in the Top Ten. We congratulate the following two athletes for their outstanding performances:

U16 Girls Long Jump
2nd Liesje Eigenhuis

U17 Girls Long Jump
3rd Queen Moase



Getting creative with Adam and Eve in the Pre-School



Painting made fun



A day in the life of a pre-schooler



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SWIMMING POOL



Our swimming pool is almost ready! Tiling has been completed; stands have almost been completed (will accommodate + 200 spectators) and the pools are going to be filled within the next 3 weeks – 618 000 litres of water!



**CONTACT US TO PLACE YOUR
ADVERT INTO THE KING'S KEN
EMAIL: ADMIN@KSWR.ORG.ZA**

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Moses and... the GPS?

My friend is adamant: "Don't use your Garmin – right at the end it takes you the wrong way. Use Waze – then you'll get here."

After the visit on my way home, I think of how blindly we follow GPS instructions. Out of the blue I think of how difficult it must have been for the Israelites when they travelled through the desert after they left Egypt. But wait! They *did* have a GPS...

Exodus 13 verse 21 (King James Bible) says: "And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night"

We are usually so captivated by the words and corresponding images of a huge cloud and a pillar of fire, that we miss the small, yet important words:

"before" - The Lord did not merely give them a cloud to provide the way in which they must go - He went before them. He "walked" with them, ensuring them of His presence.

"lead" - God did not merely inform them of the end destination and leave it up to the Israelites as to how and when they got there. Instead, He literally led them where they had to walk. In order to ensure that they remained on the safe path, the people merely had to look up and follow.

"light" - The Israelites most certainly had fire and torches but God knows what they need and He provides. He not only provides, He actually spoils them by providing so much light that they most likely did not need any torches at all thus enabling them to walk with more ease while simultaneously ensuring that their hands were free to help and protect each other and their flock.

"and" - The Israelites included the elderly, the sick and the young. Despite this God required that they travel by day and night. That is asking a lot, right? God however provides them with everything they need inclusive of strength and endurance. He knows what they (together with Him) are capable of and hence He requires it.

Dear reader, for this coming year, I hope that you will look up and make use of your heavenly GPS for He knows your way and He wants to be a part of it. He wants to provide and bless you in abundance. I hope that you will have "enough" but that you do not cling to worldly possessions in such a way that your hands are occupied and therefore unable to assist your fellow man and God's creation as a whole.

I hope that your road is smooth and easy, but even when you do experience hardships and feel like you are burning the candle at both ends, know that He knows what you are going through and that you are capable of amazing things with Him as your companion.

Have a blessed 2019!
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