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From the Principal's desk

It is estimated that almost half of South Africa's teachers will leave the profession in the next ten years, leaving our country in a massive crisis. I spoke to Kutloano Toko who is the Programme Director in our More than a Teacher programme.

Major skills shortage looms for schools in South Africa

Why are you so passionate about training up the next generation of teachers for schools in our country?



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South Africa has the highest Gini coefficient in the world, reflecting shocking income disparity in the country. This demonstrates that we are not coming to grips with inequality and persistent poverty. The number of households living in poverty is constantly increasing in terms of all poverty indicators. The reality of the worsening living conditions for all people cannot allow us to bask in apathy.

Education, fortunately for us, is one of the tools at our disposal capable of structurally turning the tide against poverty. Through effective development and training of educators, we can start addressing systematic inequality. By focusing on the development of educators, we create a foundation for producing entrepreneurs, engineers, doctors, and development practitioners for the future.

### What are the major objectives for the More than a Teacher programme?

A qualified teacher is not the same as a good teacher. Not all qualified educators are competent teaching professionals with the requisite skills to provide quality teaching and learning. Regretfully, the current teaching force in South Africa has been inadequately trained and carry qualifications without having the professional skills to teach.

More Than A Teacher, therefore, exists to bridge the gap between qualification and competence. We want to ensure a correlation between academic knowledge, qualification and practcal application for the art of teaching. We achieve this by focusing on four pillars:

- We Learn: Facilitating continuous personal development and encouraging our future teachers to grow their soft skills.
- We Teach: Learning through doing. Professional placements in classrooms, to translate theory into practice, under the supervision of an experienced mentor.
- We Study: Provide support for the pursuit of academic
- excellence.
- We Serve: Foster an attitude of service and promote social justice consciousness.

What are some of the big wins for the programme since it's establishment?

We are grateful to have witnessed the value of the programme through our successes.

- The internship programme has produced 29 bachelor in
- education degrees.
- Forty-nine of our trained interns are employed full-time with our partner schools.
- More Than a Teacher has expanded to three other sites, Krugersdorp, Pretoria North and Jeffreys Bay. The number of interns on the programme has grown from 20 to 45.

### And what about the future?

More Than a Teacher is well on the way to reaching the target milestone of 100 teacher interns in the programme. We are looking to expand operations (teacher training hubs) in Soweto and Johannesburg South.

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

Mr. Ken Langley

Principal

# IMPORTANT DATES

SACSSA INVITATIONAL ATHLETICS **G7 CHESS** NURSERY SCHOOL SPORTS DAY **TEXTBOOK ORDER FORMS DUE IEB LO CAT B IEB LS PAT GRADE 6 DAY CAMP EXTRA MURALS END** MOMS AND DAUGHTERS MORNING **GR 6 PREFECT APPLICATIONS OPEN MISSION FOCUS (WHOLE SCHOOL) PRELIMS END** SACSSA NATIONAL ATHLETICS **HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS NS FUN DAY GR. 6 PREFECT APPLICATIONS CLOSE** SCHOOL CLOSES

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SCHOOL STARTS

Lonwabo Sibanyoni (Grade 4) received the highest rating (Diamond) for his piano performance for RACA Eisteddfod 2022.

Well done Lonwabo! We are very proud of you.

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### 09 Sep 2022

### **The King's School West Rand**

**Issue No.24** 

2022/2023 Prefects

Our staff had the privilege to get to know our new group of High School Prefects at a devotion one morning. Mr. Langley prayed a blessing over them and their term as leaders in our school. May we continue to keep them in prayer throughout their term.



### **TEXTBOOKS/STATIONERY 2023**

### **GRADE 3-6 PARENTS**

**PLEASE NOTE:** 

### The following forms were issued this week:

- The PNA order form Please take the order form with
- your selection indicated on the form and payment to PNA at
- Featherbrooke by 31st October 2022. Books can be collected from PNA Featherbrooke from the end of November. Any order after the 31st of October will only be processed in the middle of November which is not ideal as delays in the delivery of your order may occur.
- **School order form** This form must be returned to the register class teacher at school by **12th September.** These books will be ordered in bulk from the publishers directly and no late orders will be accepted. Parents will be invoiced for these textbooks/workbooks on their October school account. These textbooks and workbooks will be available to the learners at the start of the 2023 school year (possibly earlier we will inform you timeously).
- **Stationery** must be purchased by the learner themselves.



### **HIGH SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS 2023**

We are continuously reviewing the process of purchasing textbooks and have opted to outsource, once again, the procurement of the bulk textbooks from PNA Featherbrooke. There are, however, still some books that can only be purchased through the school.

We have decided to work alongside **PNA Featherbrooke** who provided us with the best prices for the books on the Textbook lists for each grade. PNA Featherbrooke has bent over backwards to provide us with the most affordable prices.

The forms for the High School will go out on Friday 9 September so be on the lookout for them.

Please feel free to contact Mr. Theunissen with any queries.

# MINI HOCKEY



They played at Crawford Ruimsig and competed against Curro Wilgeheuwel, Crawford Ruimsig, Trinityhouse Little Falls, Roodebeeck, Roodekrans and Charterhouse. Even though no score is kept during these matches, our girls played their hearts out and won most of their games.

We are extremely proud of our hockey girls.

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### **FRIMARY SCHOOL** Tuesday, 31 August 2022 vs Laerskool Helderkruin at Crawford Ruimsig (Friendly match)



**V12** Hockey Girls

every team.

Team	Won / Lost / Drew	Result
U10 A	Won	4 – 0
U10 B	Drew	0 - 0
U11 A	Lost	0 – 3
U11 B	Lost	0 - 4
U12 A	Drew	1 – 1
U13 A	Lost	0 – 1
Jnr Boys	Drew	1 - 1
Snr Boys	Drew	1 - 1

### Thursday, 1 September 2022 vs Crawford Ruimsig at Crawford Ruimsig (League match)

		Team	Won / Lost / Drew	Result
		U10 A	Lost	0 – 2
	4	U11 A	Lost	0 – 10
		U12 A	Won	2-0
		U13 A	Won	5 – 0
		Jnr Boys	Drew	2 - 2
		Snr Boys	Won	6 - 0

Well done to all our hockey girls and boys for giving their absolute best throughout the season. It was a busy and congested season and we are extremely proud of each and



**Junior Hockey Boys** 



Senior Hockey Boys

A big CONGRATULATIONS to the following teams that finished in the top 3 in their league and have qualified for the Semi-Finals on Wednesday, 7 September. The Boys are playing at Crawford Ruimsig and the girls are playing at Trinityhouse Little Falls.





### **MINI-CRICKET**

u7 vs LS Roodekrans: Game 1 – TKSWR won the match Game 2 – LS Roodekrans won the match u/8 vs LS Roodekrans: Game 1 – TKSWR won the match Game 2 – TKSWR won the match

### **PRIMARY SCHOOL CRICKET**

Congratulations to our u/13 team for making it into the District semi-final. We will be hosting LS Roodekrans on 07 September for a place in the league final! We wish you guys all the best!

### **HIGH SCHOOL CRICKET**



Game 6 vs Hoërskool Florida TKSWR : 34/6 in 10 overs Florida : 35/0 after 3.1 overs HS Florida wins the match by 10 wickets



On 2 September 2022, we celebrated the start of a new season, Spring!

The learners' laughter could be heard miles away as they all took part in the various activities. So much fun was had by all. Thank you to all of our teachers, especially those who were brave enough to join their children on the giant waterslide whilst being cheered on by their classes. This day will most definitely be remembered for many years to come!



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## GRADE 7'S ENTREPRENEURS DAY





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Our King's Got Talent Winners: Winner (center) - Kamogelo Mogolotsane 2nd place (left) - Trish Magwaza and Lemo Matsepe 3rd place (right) - Kea Morake and Lwazi Hleza



### LOST AND FOUND

Please remember to send your child to the office if they have lost an item of clothing. We keep the lost property for a week where after it will be donated.

Many of these items do not have names on them. It would really help if you labelled your child's uniform.



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# Pad Drive

#### ALL GIRLS DESERVE ACCESS TO A NECESSITY

#### GET THE WORD OUT

Girls all over South Africa and the world are constantly missing school due to not having the feminine hygiene products needed for them to attend school. We are trying to reach our goal and get more than 10 000 pads to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

#### Collections

We will start collecting donations from the 29 August – 10 September. Collections will take place during line-up and register periods where there will be a box for each class to collect the pads by the pad committee, which will then be taken to Mrs Thurman's classroom. (Please do not send pads directly to Mrs Thurman's classroom as they will not be allocated towards your register class collection amounts.)

#### What will gladly be accepted

#### Sanitary pads | Re-usable pads

Please refrain from bringing tampons and menstrual cups.



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