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The King's Ken



In the hands
of the *Potter*

From the DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Have you ever wondered about the significance of Jesus, the son of a carpenter? I recently had the privilege to work alongside a friend doing a little woodwork (carpentry). He gracefully assisted me. I thought at first that the whole project would take us 2-3 hours but little did I know that working with wood can't be rushed. Patience, attention to detail, accurate measurement, repetitive preparation and a very structured process are needed. I also came to realise the necessity of something like wood filler to fill up holes, correct errors and fix skew lines that may have occurred because of human frailty, machine malfunction or wood that is affected by nature's elements. "Perfection is hardly ever the result, it is more about the journey", my friend said.

How often do we forget that we are all a "work in progress"? A little bit of sanding is needed to smooth out crooked edges and rough surfaces to prepare the wood for the varnish. Never can I say, "I have arrived". I have found that I, and maybe you, often expect perfection from our children and others and get quickly worked up if somebody makes a mistake. Instead of realising that the other person also needs some wood filler or a little more sanding, I respond with frustration and impatience, asking, "When will they ever learn or get it right."

Yet, God treats me with so much patience and longsuffering. In my varsity days, I heard a quote. The quote was on a 15-year-old's door: "Be patient with me. God is not finished with me yet". I should be asking for some chiseling, or sanding in my heart, or even clamping to help me stay in "position" for God to do His work.

I know that I am not a finished product yet and therefore would like to encourage us to learn from The Carpenter, by spending more intentional time to be more discerning and patient with our kids and each other, to remember that God is at work in each one of us, allowing certain things in our life that will need action outside of our comfort zones, chiseling away to make us more like Him.

I also learned that carpentry encourages perseverance. On the sports field, in the classroom, and in friendships, I have seen how children give up quickly when they are unsuccessful the first time, get hurt or in comparison with others find themselves not measuring up, not good enough, and judge themselves as not as good as others. They didn't make the team so they quit, or failed in their assessment after studying really hard and then believing that that subject is not their thing, or giving up on a friendship that has been there for years.

In my little experience with carpentry, I saw that there is always a little bit of chiseling needed, sanding, clamping, or wood filler or sometimes a teammate to assist in keeping the wood straight. "Victory is for the most tenacious" is a phrase on the stands at the main court of the toughest Grand Slam in tennis, Roland Garros (French Open). Setbacks will come. Storms will come and things won't go our way. Other people will often be better than me at something. God does not call the equipped but equips the called. Correction hurts sometimes and forgiveness is not easy but God is an amazing carpenter and He loves us too much to leave us as we are.

Therefore, let us assist our children not to give up quickly, not measure themselves against others or what the world proclaims to be successful or cool, but help them see that the Potter (or Carpenter) is at work in them, through them, equipping, enabling, empowering them. God is never caught by surprise by their (our) struggles, feelings of inadequacy and inability, and tendencies to choose the easy way out and not persevere. May God give us wisdom and discernment as Christian parents, caregivers and teachers to help our children get to know the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, the God of the impossible, patient and longsuffering who is at work in our lives to bring to completion that which he has started and who will teach us His faithfulness and love through the uncomfortable and testing situations.

- Mr. Conrad Botha, Deputy Principal: Sport.

CONGRATULATIONS

Teacher Bianca Mann got engaged to Ruben!

We are so excited for you! May your future be all you pray for.



IMPORTANT DATES

MAY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01 WORKERS DAY	02 Winter Uniform Compulsory	03 Food Truck Evening Mini soccer festival	04 Accounting Workshop SACOPA Auditions
05 HS Prefect application process starts	06	07	08	09 Gr 10 Elevate Study Skills Workshop PP Mother's Day Tea Ascension Day	10 NS Mother's Day Tea Prefect applications close (Gr 11) Mini soccer festival	11 SACSSA Netball (Snr) Gr. 4 to Gr. 7 Study Skills Workshop
12 New Learner Induction Report OUT FP + IP Blue Certificate Assembly	13	14	15	16 Prayer Focus Extra Murals End (Grade 8-12) Bournemouth Clinic	17 Bournemouth Clinic	18 SACSSA 4-a-side Soccer (SNR)
19 Gr 10-11 Exams start	20	21	22	23 Gr. 1 to Gr. 7 Extra Murals End	24	25 SACSSA JNR Netball
26 Gr. 4-9 Exams starts Gr. 12 Assessments Start	27	28	29 VOTING DAY	30	31	

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						01 SACSSA 6-a-side soccer (JNR)
02	03	04	05	06	07	08 Gr 4-7 Exams End SACSSA Online chess
09 Extra Mural Awards Nominations	10	11 NS Father's Day and Fun Day	12	13 PP Father's Day	14 SCHOOL CLOSES Gr. 8-11 Exams and Gr. 12 Assessments End Gr 12 Prefect Camp	15 Gr 12 Prefect Camp
16 YOUTH DAY Gr 12 Prefect Camp	17 Gr. 12 Winter School starts	18 Gr. 12 Winter School	19 Gr. 12 Winter School	20 Gr. 12 Winter School and	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01 PS Hockey Training Girls soccer clinic	02 PS Hockey Training Girls soccer clinic	03 PS Hockey Training Girls soccer clinic	04 PS Hockey Training Girls soccer clinic	05	06
07	08 School starts Gr. 8 - 11 Exam Feedback Extra Murals start for team sports	09 Gr. 8 to Gr. 11 Exam Feedback Extra Murals start for team sports (PT)	10	11 LRC nominations (Gr. 8-10) PS Beauty and the Beast Show	12 Gr. 11 Leadership Applicant Camp	13 Gr. 11 Leadership Applicant Camp
14 Gr. 11 Leadership Applicant Camp	15 Reports released Extra Murals Start (other) LRC voting (Gr. 8-10) PS Hockey into evening	16	17 LRC Voting	18 Parents Evening (17:00 - 20:00)	19 LRC Announcement Intermediate Phase Interview Quiz	20
21 LRC Training HS Prefect Voting	22	23	24 Book Sale Blood Drive	25 Book Sale	26	27
28	29	30	31			

JUNE JULY

NEWS FROM THE PRE-SCHOOL

The Fireman group visited the Pre-school, it was a fun filled, educational morning. Thank you, Fireman Jo!

[Click here for more photos \(FOLDER: PRESCHOOL FIREMAN JO\)](#)



BIBLE CHARACTER DAY

In celebration of Ascension Day the Pre-School dressed up in Characters from the Bible.

[Click here for more photos \(FOLDER: PRESCHOOL ASCENSION DAY\)](#)



PRE-SCHOOL MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

On Thursday 09 May we celebrated our Supermoms in the Pre-school. A morning of fun and laughter was had by all. Thank you to all the moms that joined us for our special morning.



Click here for more photos
FOLDER: PRESCHOOL MOTHERS DAY



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Article written by Stuart Bain, Gr10 LRC

Colossians 4:6 says, "Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone."

This verse encourages believers to communicate in a way that reflects the grace and wisdom of Christ. "Seasoned with salt" suggests adding flavour or enhancing the conversation, making it engaging and impactful.

Essentially, it's about speaking truth with love, understanding, and respect, being mindful of how our words affect others. It's a call to be intentional about the way we communicate, aiming to uplift and edify those around us, while also being prepared to give wise and thoughtful responses to anyone who may question or challenge us.

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BLUE CERTIFICATE ASSEMBLY

The Intermediate Phase celebrated the learners in the Blue Certificate Assembly. Well done Grade 4-7 learners on your achievements.



BLUE CERTIFICATES – FOUNDATION PHASE



Our foundation phase had their second Blue Certificate assembly on Monday, 13 May 2024 for the year. This certificate is given to learners to celebrate that unique quality teachers have identified inside of them that build into their character.

Well done to all our students for their well deserved certificates.





Congratulations

Congratulations to Reatlegile Tlhabi, a grade 7 learner, who was crowned Miss Pre-teen South Africa International. Reatlegile will represent South Africa in Tennessee, America, during July 2024.

Reatlegile, we are very proud of you. We know that you are an awesome role model for other young girls. Go and make a difference in the world.



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

D12 CHESS

These chess learners received a certificate for their participation in the D12 Chess. Well done boys and girls!



CRAWFORD RUIMSIG FESTIVAL.

Our U10, U11, U12 and U13 soccer teams competed at the Crawford Ruimsig Soccer and Netball Festival last Saturday 11 May 2024. Five schools participated: Crawford Ruimsig, Alma Mater, Arthur Matthews, Panorama and TKSQR

All our teams played well on the day, Congratulations to our U10 and U13 teams for winning the soccer tournament. Thank you to our parents for the fantastic support given to our players and coaches. Well done and thank you to Crawford Ruimsig for hosting a fantastic festival.



NETBALL

Die Ruiter Match: 7 May 2024

On May 7th, we had the chance to compete against Die Ruiter. We extend our gratitude to the coaches and team managers for their involvement. To the players, we appreciate your utmost respect and dedication during this match.

The results were as follows:

TKSWR vs Die Ruiter:

U10A: 20:05
U10B: 0:4
U11A : 5:5
U11B: 4:10
U12A: 8:9
U12B: 5:4
U13A: 12:14
U13B:1:15



7 May: Mini Netball @ Trinity Little Falls

Our mini-netball groups were invited to their inaugural festival at Trinity Little Falls. Congratulations to the U8 teams for emerging victorious in all their games. A shout-out to the U7 and U9 teams for showcasing remarkable strength. Thank you to the coaches and team managers involved.

HS Netball: 7 May 2024 St Catherine's Convent

On Wednesday, our high school netball team had the honour of playing an away match at St. Catherine's. It was a marvellous game indeed! Congratulations to the coaches and team managers for their efforts.

TKSWR vs SCC

U14A -23: 6
U14B- 12:5
U15A-24:5
U15B-2:10
U16:-8:7
U17 - 5:8
1 st Team-19:17



We participated in the SACSAA Tournament at The King's School Robin Hills.

The teams involved were U15, U17, and the 1st team. Congratulations to the U17 team for securing victory in 1 out of 4 matches, to the 1st team for triumphing in 3 out of 5 matches, and to the U15 team for winning all their matches and earning gold medals. Well-done for these marvelous results.

SOCCER SCORE UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF 6 MAY TO 10 MAY:

PRIMARY SCHOOL (LEAGUE ROUND 5) VS TRINITY LITTLE FALLS:

U10 lost 2 - 0
U11 drew 0 - 0
U12 drew 0 - 0
U13 lost 2 - 1

PRIMARY SCHOOL (KO CUP ROUND 4 - 7 MAY) VS CHARTERHOUSE:

Our u9 team played Charterhouse at Home in the KO Cup semi-final. A very competitive game in which we lost 2 - 1. We are very proud of this young team who were the only Primary School team to progress to the semi-finals.

HIGH SCHOOL (LEAGUE ROUND 4 - 9 MAY) VS YESHIVA COLLEGE:

U14 lost 2 - 0
U16 won 5 - 0
First Team won 2 - 0 (by forfeit)

The First Team drew 5 - 5 vs. the U19 Development Team

HIGH SCHOOL (LEAGUE ROUND 5 - 13 MAY) VS SAHETI SCHOOL:

U14 lost 1 - 0
U16 lost 4 - 3
U17 lost 3 - 0
The First Team won 6 - 2

GIRL'S U13 SOCCER (LEAGUE ROUND 4 - 7 MAY) VS ROODEBEEK:

TKSWR won 2 - 0





Congratulations to Estie Botha, Olivia Henry, Zena Mokuena, Annabella Henry, Gia Rall, and Shaan Suta for making it through to Round 2 of the District Team girls soccer trials and being selected to represent the West Rand Primary Schools Football Association (WRPPSFA) at the Frans Hilton-Smith Tournament.

This is the Inter-Provincial Tournament for u13 Girls Schools Football will be held at Camp Discovery in Limpopo from 1 August 2024 to 4 August 2024.

It's a remarkable achievement, and they should all be very proud of themselves. Best of luck to them at the tournament in Limpopo!

MINI SOCCER FESTIVAL 2024

The District Mini Soccer Festival has been a massive success! Hosting 82 teams from 18 schools over three weeks is no small feat. Huge kudos to The King's School West Rand, Weltevreden Park Primary School, and Constantia Park Primary School for being such gracious hosts.

A special shout out to Johns and his team for their dedication in assisting with parking and ensuring the fields and venue were in top-notch condition each week. Their efforts undoubtedly contributed to the smooth running of the festival.

And of course, a big thank you to the MTAC programme for supplying the referees. Refereeing 168 games over three weeks is quite an undertaking, with the interns being up to the task and doing a fantastic job. Their contribution was essential in making the festival a success.

It was a wonderful community effort that brought joy and excitement to young soccer players and their families.





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**EXTRA MURALS****SCHEDULE OF LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR 20 MAY – 26 MAY 2-24****INCLUDING TOURNAMENTS/FESTIVALS**

FOUNDATION PHASE			
DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME
Soccer			
NONE			
Netball			
Wed 22 May	Mini Netball Festival 3	TKSWR	TBC
Wed 5 June	Mini Netball Festival 4	TKSWR	TBC
INTERMEDIATE PHASE			
Soccer			
Mon 20 May	Girls u13 Soccer	Constantia Kloof Primary	13:45 – 16:30
Thurs 23 May	Boys Soccer	Charterhouse & TKSQR	14:15 – 16:00
Mon 27 May	Girls u13 Soccer vs Silverfields	TKSWR	14:15 – 15:30
Netball			
Tues 21 May	Netball u10-u13	Curro Wilgeheuwel	13:00-16:30
HIGH SCHOOL			
Soccer			
NONE			
Hockey			
NONE			
Netball			
NONE			

TOURNAMENTS/FESTIVALS			
DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME
Sat 25 May	SACSSA Jnr Netball	The King's School Robin Hills	08:00-18:00
Sat 1 June	SACSSA Jnr 6-a-side Soccer	TKSWR	08:00-17:00

Chess			
DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	TIME
Fri 24 May	U11 – U13 Gauteng	TBC	TBC
Sat 25 May	U15-U18 Gauteng	TBC	TBC
Teams			
27 July	D12 Teams	TBC	TBC
2-3 Aug	Top School (U9-U13)	TBC	TBC
16-17 Aug	Top School (U15-U19)	TBC	TBC
14 September	Gautneg T20 Team Finals	TBC	TBC

Colour Key Soccer Netball Hockey Chess

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