

06 November 2018

Dear Parents

START OF SCHOOL - 2019

Welcome to **The King's School West Rand for 2019**. We trust that the year ahead will be a blessed one and that it will be a precious time in your life.

Herewith a few important details for you to take note of:

- School starts on **Wednesday 09 January 2019** at **7:30**. (Except as stated below for **Grade 8 learners**).
- **GRADE RRRR-RRR** learners are to go directly to the Nursery School. Class lists will be displayed on the notice boards.
- **GRADE RR-R** learners are to go directly to the Pre-School area. Class lists will be displayed on the notice boards entering the Pre-School Jasper block.
- **GRADE 1** learners will go directly to their classes. Class lists will be displayed on the notice boards entering the Topaz block as well as the class teacher's door.
- New learners **GRADE 4-12** to assemble at designated areas.
- **GRADE 2-12** learners are to meet in the hall for a welcome assembly and allocation to classrooms. They must put their schoolbags in the designated areas and line-up to go into the hall for assembly. **GRADE 2-3** schoolbags to be placed in the "line up" quad area.
- The **GRADE RR-3** learners launch off the year with an exciting orientation week during the first few days of the term. Textbooks and/or Stationery Packs for **GRADE RR-3** will be handed out and organized during this week.

GRADE 8 INFORMATION

- **PLEASE NOTE: GRADE 8** learners need to be at school on **Tuesday 08 January 2019** from **9:00-16:00, the day before the rest of the high school starts**. Please bring sun tan lotion, a hat, water bottle, tuck money or snacks, and an extra set of clothing. They are allowed to wear civvies. A hot dog and cold drink will be provided for lunch.



- On **09 & 10 January 2019**, **GRADE 8** learners will need to stay at school until **16:00**.
- **GRADE 8** Camp; This is a compulsory camp that will include team-building, Concert rehearsal and delving deeper into the heart of God. The camp will be from **18:00** on **Friday 11 January 2019** until **Sunday 13 January 2019**, this includes a sleep-over at the school. Your child can be collected on **Sunday 13 January 2019** at **13:00**. Further details pertaining to the camp will be handed out during the first week of school.
- **GRADE 8 Concert** will take place in the hall on **14 January 2019** at **19h00**.

HIGH SCHOOL – EVENING OF EXCELLENCE

- This will be held on **Thursday 17 January 2019** at **19:00** for **GRADE 8-12** learners and **BY INVITATION ONLY**.

INFORMATION MEETINGS

Information meetings will be held on the following dates:

These meetings give parents the opportunity to meet the teacher and understand specific class room and school procedures and requirements for your child in the coming year.

- **Nursery School** (Gr RRRR-RRR) – **Saturday 12 January 2019 at 10:30 (Staff room)**
- **Pre-school** (Gr RR-R) – **Saturday 12 January 2019 at 09:00 (Staff room)**
- **Primary School** (Grade 1-7) – **Tuesday 15 January 2019 at 19:00 (Hall)**
- **High School** (Grade 8-12) – **Thursday 24 January 2019 at 19:00 (Hall)**

Gr RR – Gr 3 parents will go to the teacher’s classrooms after the meeting in the hall/staff room.

UNIFORMS

- Uniforms are available from our School Wear Shop - Liza Smith (072 108 3670). Mrs Liza Smith will also advise what is needed to complete your child’s uniform requirements.
- Children are required to come to school in the correct uniform from the first day of school.
- New **Gr RR – Gr 3** parents are to purchase The King’s School West Rand school bag (compulsory) and requested to not purchase any bags on wheels or the Caddi bags.
- Aftercare Uniform: **Gr RR – Gr 7** parents are to purchase The King’s School West Rand Aftercare T-shirt (compulsory) (only required if your child attends Aftercare on a permanent basis).

STATIONERY AND TEXT BOOKS

Copies of the relevant **STATIONERY** requirements and **TEXTBOOK** lists can be accessed on our webpage under the “*Our School*” tab. Please click on the appropriate phase for the information. Our web address is www.kswr.org.za.

- **TEXTBOOKS: Grade 4 – 12 : PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL TEXT BOOKS WILL BE ISSUED TO YOUR CHILD DURING THE FIRST TWO DAYS OF SCHOOL IF ORDERED THROUGH THE SCHOOL.**
- **STATIONERY/TEXTBOOKS: Grade RRRR to Grade 3 :** Stationery & Textbooks will be issued to your child on the first two days of school. Textbook/Stationery Pack fees will be added to your January 2019 school fee account.
- **STATIONERY/EXERCISE BOOKS: Grade 4-12 :** All stationery and exercise books must be bought by parents and must be at school from the first day of school. (A copy of the stationery list is included with the report – it is also available on our website www.kswr.org.za).

ATHLETICS MEETING

- A **COMPULSORY INTER HOUSE ATHLETICS MEETING** will be held at The King’s School West Rand on **Friday 11 January 2019** for all **GRADE 1-12** learners from **7:30 – 13:00**.
- Learners to compete in their house colours.
- **GRADE 1** and **NEW LEARNERS** will be allocated to their houses. House T-shirts are available from Mrs Liza Smith at the School Wear Shop.
- The cost of these T-shirts is R115.00/T-shirt.
- **New GRADE RR-3** pupils must purchase a sun hat from the School Wear Shop.

SCHOOL CAMP

- **GRADE 5 – 12 : 06-08 March 2019** (Details regarding costs, venues and final date to follow in January 2019). **GRADE 4** Day camp will take place on **06 March 2019**. Details will follow.

GENERAL

- The School has an agreement with **Makro** and **MySchool** Card whereby we gain a rebate on all purchases made at their stores by our parent community. We appeal to you to support this initiative by completing the form to link your **Makro/MySchool Card** to The King’s School West Rand. In this way, you can become eligible for discounts and can contribute to the school with every **Makro/MySchool Card** purchase, with no extra obligation to yourself.
- **FACEBOOK** : Please join and ‘like’ our Facebook page for daily updates.
- **TUCKSHOP** : “*Mouthful Café*” manages the tuck shop. We run a cashless tuck shop! Photos for lunch cards will be taken at school on **Friday 18 January 2019**. Children will receive a magnetic strip card with their photo-ID and once parents activate and top up the card, it can be used to make purchases at the school tuck-shop. Using this system, parents can control not only what is spent, but also what is bought! You have the capability among others, to set a daily spend limit, monitor your child's spending, place orders, set food restrictions (e.g. no fizzy drinks), set alerts for allergies and view reports/statements. Your child will have the capability of checking their available balance at a swipe machine outside the tuck shop, this card will greatly reduce time in tuckshop queues and your

child will be able to benefit from weekly card specials. There is also the potential of securing group discounts at the local retailers in the area. This service is supplied by a company called *lunchcard cashless schooling* at no extra cost. Cards will be prepared for new students in the first term. Parents can then opt to activate the service by registering the card online at <http://www.lunchcard.co.za>.

- **D6 COMMUNICATOR:** Please download the D6 communicator on our webpage. This will keep you updated of any upcoming school events.

Should you have any further queries please feel free to contact **Michelle Dos Ramos** on **(011) 1005377** or on email at admissions@kswr.org.za.

Yours sincerely

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