A PREVIEW

KING EDWARD VII SCHOOO

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A PROUD HISTORY

King Edward VII School was established in 1902 as one of Lord Milner's first State High Schools for English-speaking boys in Johannesburg. Originally named 'Johannesburg High School for Boys', the School had its first premises in a vacant cigar factory on the corner of Goud and Kerk Streets. Since its founding, the School has changed premises twice and undergone two name changes; firstly in 1904 when it moved to Barnato Park and was renamed 'Johannesburg College', and secondly in 1911, when it moved to its present site in Houghton, and was renamed 'King Edward VII School' to honour the memory of Queen Victoria's eldest son who had died in 1910.

Since inception, the School has been premised on providing a holistic ______educational experience.

FAMOUS OLD BOYS

King Edward VII School is proud of its record of producing quality leaders in all spheres of endeavour for well over a century. This tradition continues today, and is epitomised by the current Proteas captain Graeme Smith, who is a product of the School's renowned cricketing nursery, and who bears testament to the School's long history of producing world-class captains and sportsmen.

Outside of the School's sporting achievements, add the names of other great 'captains' in their respective disciplines – Sir Donald Gordon, William Kentridge (2010 Kyoto Prize winner), Justice Johann Kriegler, Justice Richard Goldstone, Sir Sydney Kentridge QC, Sir Sydney Lipworth QC, Gary Player, leading United Kingdom financier Sir Mark Weinberg, and Tony Bloom amongst many others.









William Kentridge

FAMOUS OLD BOYS

The spirit of the School is typified in the motto 'Strenue' which requires that educators and learners commit to the ethos of the School with all their energy.





- Dr. Ali Bacher
- Graeme Smith and Neil McKenzie
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Hugh Page, Kevin McKenzie and Ray Jennings



Joe van Niekerk



Bryan Habana



Gregg Clark

ACADEMIC

Subject Choices

Grades 8 & 9 - the following learning areas apply: English Home Language and one first Additional Language (Afrikaans or isiZulu) Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Arts & Culture, Technology, Life Orientation and Economic Management Sciences. Computer Literacy is taught as a non-examinable subject.

Grades 10, 11 & 12 - learners follow the FET learning programme, comprising seven subjects structured as follows: Four compulsory subjects comprising: English (Home Language), a first additional language (Afrikaans or isiZulu), Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy and Life Orientation. Learners must then select three additional optional subjects from Accounting, Geography, History, Information Technology, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences, Visual Arts and Engineering and Graphic Design. If a learner chooses Mathematical Literacy he may not do Physical Sciences. For Accounting and Information Technology, there is a selection process and only learners with an average above 60% for Mathematics and English in Grade 9 are allowed to do these subjects.

Advanced Programme Mathematics is offered as an additional subject in Grades 10, 11 and 12 to learners who excelled in Mathematics in Grades 8 & 9.

Facilities

Academic facilities include a fully equipped Auditorium, Classrooms and Science Laboratories with electronic teaching aids, Art Studios, a Media Centre and three state-of-the-art Information Technology Laboratories.

ACADEMIC





Experiments in Science Laboratory

Auditorium Presentation



Learners at work in the computer centre.

AWARDS

Colours are awarded for outstanding achievement in the Academic, Sporting and Cultural fields. The School's premier award, Summa Cum Laude, is awarded to learners who have Colours in all three of the above fields.

Bursaries and Scholarships

A limited number of internal bursaries and scholarships are offered. These are based on attaining excellence in academic and extra-mural pursuits. Further information is available from the Admissions Office.

DISCIPLINE

A cornerstone of the School's ethos is instilling the importance of discipline and gentlemanly conduct as an integral component of the learner's educational experience.





Award recipients

Johannesburg Junior Council

EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES

Full participation by all learners in the wide spectrum of extramural activities offered at the School is actively encouraged. A philosophy of broad involvement characterises the School.

Cultural and Service Activities

The following clubs, societies and activities are offered: Dramatic Society, Music Society, Choral Society, History Society, Art Club, Photography Club, Chess Club, Debating and Public Speaking, First Aid, Pipe Band, Quizzes, Olympiads and Specialised Debates.

'KESFAM' and 'KESCO', active community outreach programmes, provide opportunities for learners to contribute to the lives of those less fortunate than themselves.



EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES





Chess

School Plays

SPORT

An extensive choice of sport is offered, with committed coaching staff, including professionals in certain disciplines, assisting learners to optimise their talents in their preferred sports.

Choices include:

Summer – Tennis, Basketball, Cricket (facilities include turf wickets and nets, artificial surface nets, and an indoor facility providing five lanes with professional coaching staff), Golf, Rowing (training at Wemmer Pan, Roodeplaat and the Vaal), Squash, Swimming (heated pool), Table Tennis and Water Polo.

Winter – Athletics, Cross Country, Hockey, Rugby, Soccer and Squash.



- 1. Main school building
- 2. Computer centre
- 3. Library/Museum
- 4. Auditorium
- 5. The Hugh Wilson Theatre
- 6. Science Wing
- 7. Faber Wing
- 8. Geography Wing

- 9. Hockey Astro
- 10. Art studios
- 11. Indoor cricket nets
- 12. Rob Wray Pavilion & Gymnasium
- 13. Main rugby field
- 14. Swimming pool/Waterpolo complex

- 15. The Tutty Faber field
- 16. Preparatory School
- 17. Cricket Pavilion/ KES Association office
- 18. Tuck Shop
- 19. The John Hurry Oval
- 20. U14 cricket field
- 21. Admissions Office

- 22. Soccer field/U15 cricket field
- 23. Tennis/Basketball Complex

Boarding Establishment

- 24. School House
- 25. Sir Donald Gordon House
- 26. Buxton House

SUMMER EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES

WINTER EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES



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Gymnasium

The Rob Wray Pavilion houses a fully equipped gymnasium offering learner membership at exceptionally competitive rates. Qualified staff structure individual conditioning programmes for participating learners. This facility is complemented by an in-house physiotherapy practice.



Gymnasium

Indoor Nets



Rob Wray Pavilion

BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS AT KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL

The Boarding Establishments at King Edward VII School provide comfortable accommodation for +- 300 boys. The School has three different boarding houses, each which offers its residents a unique experience. School House offers a soft landing for our grade 8 boys who are new to the School every year. It is situated on the School campus and is unique in the sense that the grade 8 boys are separated from the seniors in their own boarding house. This allows the boys to settle in quickly into their new environment. The two senior boarding houses are Donald Gordon House and Buxton House which accommodates boys from grade 9 to grade 12.



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Successful candidates in boarding must be boys who are academically independent, hard-working, organised and disciplined. A typical day in boarding is a very structured day which offers a healthy balance between academics and extra-curricular activities. The School offers weekly boarding and boys are allowed to go home on Saturdays after the School's first team sports fixture. Boarders are allowed to return to boarding on either Sunday evenings or Monday mornings.





THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

The library at King Edward VII School is a state-of-the-art facility which cleverly blends the old with the new. A quaint floor-level area houses original texts with its shelves of literary works from past and present. The library also boasts a mezzanine section upstairs which hosts 40 computers with internet access. Both areas also present comfortable lounge areas where boys can sit and research literary works or engage in group discussions around relevant topics of their choice. After school, the library affords boys who are not able to be collected after school, a quiet and tranquil environment to do homework or study.

FACILITIES



GOVERNING BODY

The School's Governing Body is appointed in terms of the South African Schools Act No. 84 of 1996.

OLD EDWARDIANS / VIRGIN ACTIVE

The School is extremely fortunate to have the use of these Clubs' excellent sporting facilities in Houghton, including the playing fields, tennis and squash courts, and swimming pool for Water Polo. In addition, the Old Edwardians Society offers excellent recreational facilities. Learners are offered preferential rates at Virgin Active.

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