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WHAT'S UP AT KING DAVID?

An update brought to you by Rabbi Kacev



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Welcome back

On behalf of the SABJE, I would like to wish all King David parents, students and staff a warm welcome back to school and the very best for the 2018 academic year. This year is going to be a particularly special year for King David Schools as we celebrate a remarkable milestone together with the State of Israel.

Reaching a 70th anniversary encourages us to look back on the role and contribution our King David Schools have made both locally and in Jewish communities all over the world over the past 7 decades.

We deservedly take pride in the excellent quality of our educational system that has from Pre-Primary through to Matric, nurtured generations of highly successful Davidians in all walks of life and that has inculcated pride in Judaism, the centrality of Israel and a desire to make an impact on their community wherever they choose to live.

Against this backdrop of versatile excellence we look forward to a future of further remarkable achievement and generations of Davidians who will benefit from a tradition of academic excellence and innovation, an enduring network of friendships and a proud confidence in their Jewish identity.

There will be various opportunities to commemorate this memorable year together and we invite you to be a part of the celebrations.

Matric results worth celebrating

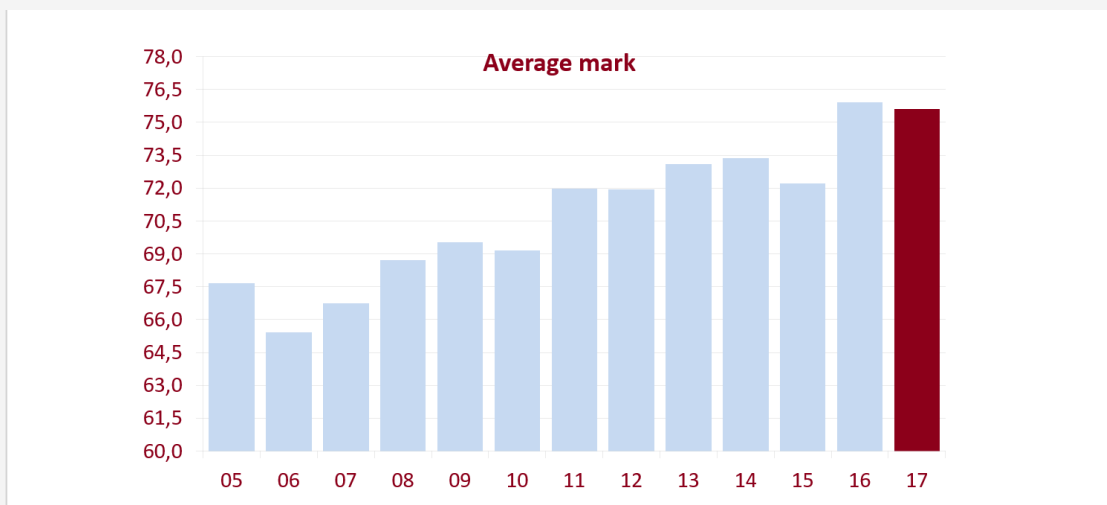
Mazaltov to the King David Class of 2017! These achievements are testament to the hardworking students, the supportive parents and the dedicated professional teachers, and these successes undoubtedly speak for themselves. However, we also measure success in the unspoken triumphs of our students who have had success not measured in distinctions and awards. We measure success also in the students who did not believe that they could pass matric, and did; the students who did not believe they could obtain a university entrance, and did; the students who did not believe that matric was a vague possibility for them, but who did. Success is ultimately the reaching of personal potential. It is a triumph over personal hardships and battles. Therefore both the settings of goals and the measure of success are personal and specific and relate to each student's ability to work hard and be the best that he or she can be.

211 King David students across both KD High School Linksfield and Victory Park achieved a cumulative 686 distinctions. 100% pass rate. 98.6% achieved university entrance. 16.6% of our students achieved 7 distinctions or more. 37 of our Matric papers were in the top 1% in South Africa. All 12 students in the Educational Support programme at King David High School Linksfield achieved University Entrance and all 14 of the students with barriers to learning at King David High School achieved Bachelor Degrees. The group as a whole achieved a 76% average. It must be noted that after the official remark process, King David Schools achieved an additional 16 distinctions across both schools.

The cumulative King David results were as follows:

- 5 students achieved 9 distinctions
- 5 students achieved 8 distinctions
- 25 students achieved 7 distinctions
- 11 students achieved 6 distinctions
- 26 students achieved 5 distinctions
- 23 students achieved 4 distinctions
- 3 students on the IEB's outstanding list
- 3 students on the IEB's commendable list
- 44.2% of all papers achieved an A
- 91.3% of all papers achieved a C or higher

King David Schools consolidated group average mark from 2005 – 2017 (excluding LO)



KD Graduates Achieving at University Level

Not only did our King David students excel on a matric level, but our King David graduates have done exceptionally well on a university level, proving once again that King David Schools prepare and equip our students for the challenges of tertiary education. We are hugely pleased with the latest feeder results from the University of the Witwatersrand. According to the results of the undergraduate research, King David High School Linksfield is ranked as the second highest feeder school with an average pass rate of 89.2%. King David High School Victory Park were recognised as a Top maths and Science School in South African by the University of Pretoria in 2017.

We are looking forward to the challenges of 2018 and to continuing the tradition of excellence as well as the spirit of co-operation between learners and teachers at King David Schools.

King David Ariel opens

On the first day back at school, it was all systems go for the students of King David Ariel – King David’s brand new foundation phase remedial school on the King David Victory Park campus. The children were thrilled to be welcomed into such a colourful, fun-filled atmosphere. A truly magical start to what promises to be an outstanding year ahead.



KD Win School Fees Raffle

Towards the end of last year and as part of the build up to King David’s 70th year celebrations, we embarked on a raffle offering KD parents the opportunity to win free KD school fees for the 2018 school year for one child. Second prize was 20%

off school fees for 1 year and third prize was 10% off school fees. Rabbi Kacev conducted the draw on 12 December and the excited winners were thrilled when they were phoned with the results. Mazaltov to our very lucky winners!

- First Prize Winner: Andrew and Nikki Moshal
- Second Prize Winner: Nathalie Goldberg
- Third Prize Winner: Lauren Heller

KD Wild Walk and Run

We invite all our King David students, parents, teachers, staff, alumni and all their families to join us on what promises to be a wonderful King David campus event – The KD Wild Walk and Run will be taking place at the Johannesburg Zoo on Sunday 25 February at 07h30 sharp. Bring your picnic baskets and blankets and come and spend a fantastic morning enjoying a 5km walk or run through the Zoo, followed by fun and entertainment on the bandstand lawn, exclusively reserved for KD entrants.

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King David Parent Trip to Poland

King David Schools, are offering an incredible opportunity for KD parents to visit Poland from 6–10 June 2018 with one of the most renowned and inspiring guides and a Holocaust survivor. This trip which includes a Shabbat in Krakow is being offered at a discounted price for KD parents. Men and women are both welcome and places are limited. For more info/ sign up contact gershunik@sabje.co.za Bookings are open exclusively for KD parents until 20 February. Click on the following link for further details: https://trips.jroots.org/parents_journey_to_poland.php

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