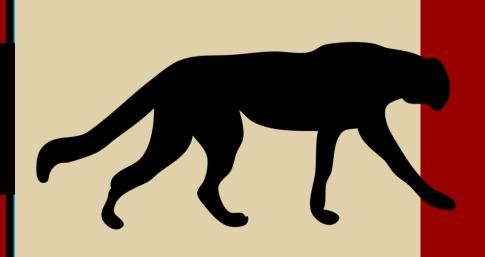
# The ROAR

KING'S PREPARATORY ACADEMY JOURNAL 2018



# **MEET SHEILA!**

The face of King's Preparatory
Academy is Sheila, a black jaguar, as
the school mascot. In Australia,
"Sheila" is a slang term for woman or
female.

Sheila is a rare black jaguar with a brown rosetted spotted pattern.

## ALMA MATER

To King and Country do we sing Beloved our Preparatory In all we do, it is for Thee For this is our Academy.

Lord above it is for You

That we be prepared

And so shall do

Above all know that Christ Is Lord

Here loved and cared and adored.

# NAUGURATION



King's Preparatory Academy plans for its inaugural year with a season of fanfare and celebration. Prospective KPA Jacquar students will be the spotlight of this celebration along with various founding members.

King's Preparatory Academy also recognizes Rev. Dr. Stuart Barton Babbage and Mrs. R. Elizabeth King Babbage for whom the school is named. Mrs. Babbage was a Royal Air Force flight officer during WWII in Norfolk, England when she met Dr. Babbage, an RAF Chaplain.

The couple eventually immigrated to Australia after deployments to Iraq, Persia, and humanitarian missions in the United States during the civil rights movement.

Dr. Babbage helped to found the multiracial Gordon Cromwell Theological College in Massachusetts and taught at Columbia Theological Seminary and Oglethorpe University in Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. Babbage worked as a school librarian after the war and raised four children.

The King's Preparatory Academy seal is the family crest of Dr. Babbage and is registered in Scotland, for his mother's heritage, bearing the insignia "I Press On," and other symbols representing the earthly priesthood of all men.

The first Dean and Founder of King's Preparatory Academy, Lisa Noel Babbage, is the granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Babbage.



King's Preparatory Academy Parent University is under the direction of the Office of the Dean in conjunction with the Department of Student Services to ensure that each KPA student is equipped to succeed through the efforts of the Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO). Our PTSO works with various nonprofit and humanitarian organizations to lead Parent Workshops and Lunch and Learn Seminars that include parents as stakeholders in their child's academic career.

We believe education begins in the home. A child's parent or guardian is their first teacher. The school cannot exist outside of the home connection. Therefore, as part of the Parent Contract, each family is charged with completing fifteen hours of volunteer time and fifteen hours of Parent University classes.

Parent University classes are held the first Saturday of every month, September thru June. Registration is required to facilitate order, however accommodation is made to ensure each parent participates in their preferred sessions. Child care is generously provided for some classes because we value your time and your participation.

The KPA Parent University is an added benefit to the educational programming at King's Preparatory Academy and is offered at no additional cost to parents.



The Academic Staff of King's Preparatory Academy is dedicated to whole child development. Each educator spends extensive time during sabbatical seasons to attend professional development, ongoing educational coursework, conduct research, volunteer, travel, and of course, pursue personal goals and interests which improve their ability to teach.

All of our teachers are highly qualified by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GAPSC), and are certified in both ESOL and Gifted education. Many of our teachers have obtained higher degrees and are experts in their field of study. Full capacity of our faculty and staff is 119 strong.

King's Prep staff members sponsor school clubs, conduct workshops, and interact directly with students through counseling, administration, school nutrition programs, media center, technology, chapel, and sports. Every member of our team is certified in CPR and First Responder certified.

Our school is a Safe Haven for children under Georgia law and Safe Place for Youth designee for both abandoned and endangered or homeless children. Our staff work with local agencies to protect children who are at risk. All of our staff also participate in training for exceptional children and have undergone a rigorous comprehensive state and federal background check.



Lisa Noel Babbage Dean of Schools Lisa Noel Babbage began her career in the banking industry before becoming an educator in 2003 with DeKalb County Public Schools. As a classroom teacher, Babbage excelled in teaching fourth and fifth graders in the metropolitan Atlanta area. She was named Teacher of the Year in 2008.

Babbage went on to receive a

Master's degree in Education from

Mercer University, Educational

Leadership from Georgia State

University, and completed

coursework for a Doctoral degree

from Capella University in NonProfit

Leadership.