

# news

news from the trunk

# Back to School Night

Wednesday, August 25th 2010 | 5pm



Thursday, August 19th 2010

## A Letter from the Superintendent, Greg Hughes

Already we have had a wonderful start to the school year, and from the reports I have been receiving from parents, students and faculty, the school year is well and truly launched and heading in the right direction. To build on this positive momentum we will be hosting our Annual Back to School Night, which will be a great chance for parents to meet with our teachers and find out more about our school program and get a clearer picture as to where their children will be heading academically in the coming weeks and months.

Education has changed dramatically for the better over the years, and now more than ever the word “partnership” is used when discussing the relationships between parents, children and teachers. Here at Khartoum American School we believe strongly in this concept and by opening up lines of communication through evenings such as this we can share our visions, expectations, goals, ideals and hopes, while also looking for positive ways in which we can help all of our students to reach their potential.

We often market our school as one of the friendliest in Africa and for good reason. Our sense of community is fantastic and people will often go above and beyond expectations to make everyone who is new to our community feel at home. For families new to Khartoum and Khartoum American School, I would urge you to come to the Back to School night and other functions that we will be hosting this year in order to meet people and to get to know some of the other parents in your child’s class.

I always look forward to Back to School Nights, and I hope that everyone enjoys this event as much as I do.

Have a great weekend.

Greg Hughes

## Are you ready for Back to School Night? We are!

Here are a few ways you can prepare:

- Ask questions about your child’s academic program.
- Introduce yourself to the teacher, and let the teacher know where you can be reached.
- What can I do to stay more involved in my child’s academic progress?
- Ask the teacher how they accommodate for differences in learning?
- Ask how older students are prepared for further learning after high school?
- Volunteer to help out. Let the teacher and the principal know when you’re available. You could help chaperone a field trip, help in the Library or Learning Center, read to kids for an hour a week, or print the class newsletter on your home computer. But don’t bite off more than you really have time for. Be consistent. Be someone the teacher can count on.

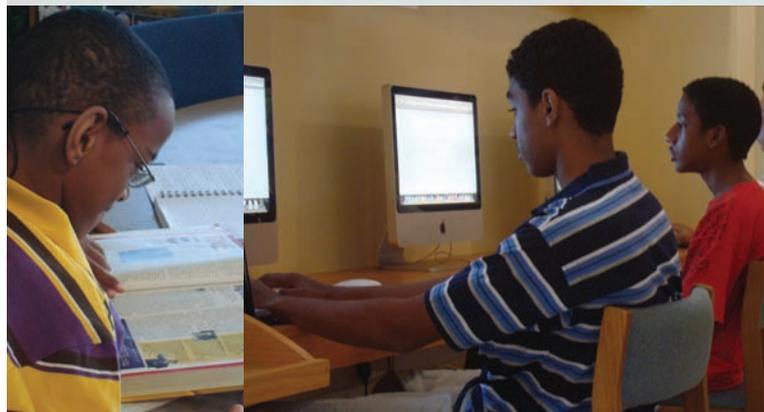
Please join us and don’t forget to take notes! The Learning Center is always open, so drop by with any questions, comments, or concerns you have or just for a chat! We value home-school cooperation. Learning happens everywhere, not just at school.

We hope to see you all at Khartoum American School!

Mr. Ben

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Academic and homework support is available from 2:00pm to 3:00pm Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday after school for **all** students in the Learning Center.



## Coaches Needed!

The Girls' U14 and U19 Basketball Teams are looking for coaches for the 2010 season. Ms. Shannon was the U19 coach last year and has offered to co-coach and work with the U19 girls for the month of September. The official season will not start until after Ramadan. The first game will be on September 22nd at Khartoum American School.

The commitment would be two times a week; once a week practice and once a week game. The game would either be at Khartoum American School or away. The game days are on Wednesdays and are usually finished by 5:30pm. Practices are on Sundays: U14 from 2:15pm-3:15pm and U19 from 3:30-5:00pm.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Paar at [apaar@krtams.org](mailto:apaar@krtams.org)

Thank you

## Adult Sports

Starting **next** week, August 22nd the following Adult Sports will begin. Games will start around 6:00pm.

Guidelines (Same as last year):

- Non - Khartoum American School members are required to register at the gate each day and pay 5 sdg and show a photo identification to match the name on the list. This includes all adults, playing or not, and children 12 years of age and older.
- In order to register with the gate an email must be submitted to Mrs. Audrey Paar at [apaar@krtams.org](mailto:apaar@krtams.org).
- All children that are not playing must be supervised - especially on the playground areas.
- Playing areas should be kept trash free.
- Any Khartoum American School students wishing to participate in the activities need to contact Mrs. Paar first at [apaar@krtams.org](mailto:apaar@krtams.org).

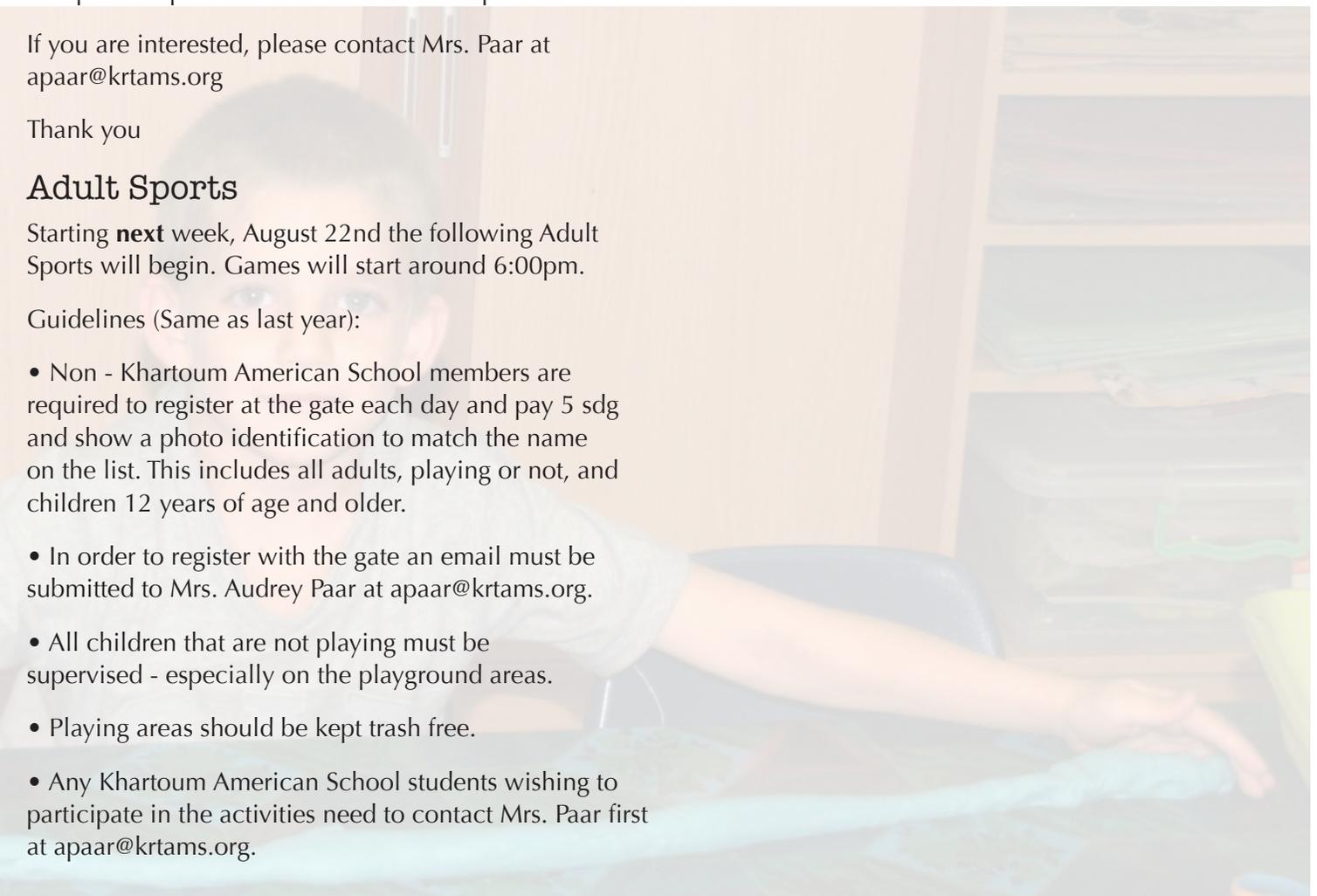
## Weekly Sports at Khartoum American School for Adults

Gate opens at 5:30pm, and games start around 6:00pm

Schedule	
Sunday	Volleyball
Monday	Basketball
Tuesday	Ultimate Frisbee
Wednesday	Soccer and Touch Rugby

## Attention All Parents and Teachers

PTA meeting Thursday, August 26th 2010 at the morning coffee area.



# The Breakdown

Elementary Schedule	
Period 1	7:20 - 8:10
Period 2	8:12 - 9:02
Break	9:02 - 9:12
Period 3	9:19 - 10:09
Period 4	10:11 - 10:58
Period 5	11:00 - 11:46
Lunch	11:46 - 12:16
Period 6	12:18 - 1:08
Period 7	1:10 - 2:00

Middle School / High School Schedule	
Period 1	7:20 - 8:10
Period 2	8:12 - 9:02
Break	9:02 - 9:17
Period 3	9:19 - 10:09
Period 4 Block	10:11 - 11:26
Lunch	11:26 - 12:16
Period 5	12:18 - 1:08
Period 6	1:10 - 2:00

## 2010/2011 Academic Calendar

New Teacher Orientation | August 1st - 4th

Teacher Workdays | August 5th - 9th

First Day of School | August 10th

Eid el Fitr Holiday | September 9th - 12th

Fall Break (Eid al Adha) | November 12th - 20th

Winter Break (Western Christmas; New Years; Coptic Christmas) | December 19th 2010 - January 8th 2011

Spring Break | March 10th - 19th

Long Weekend (Coptic and Western Easter; Shem el Nessim) | April 21st - 25th

Last Day of School | May 25th

Graduation | May 26th

Teacher Work Days | May 27th - 29th

## Wanted

Administrative Assistant

Substitute Teachers

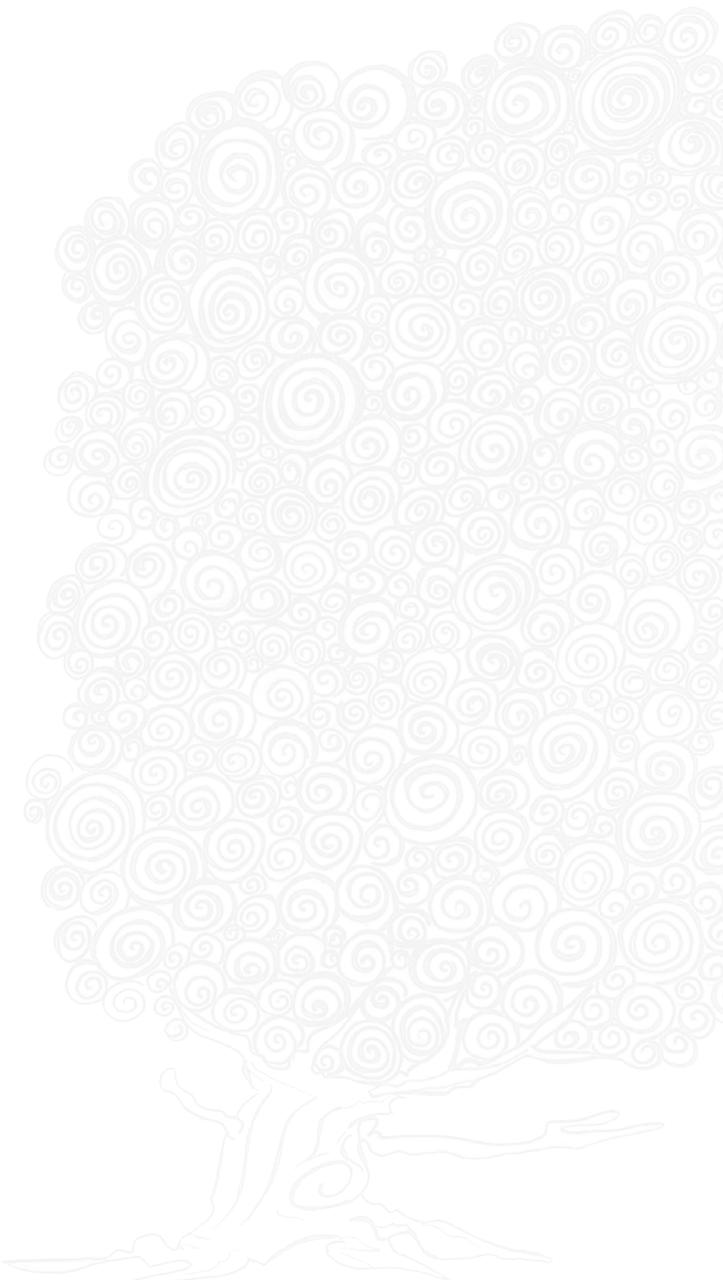
Teaching Assistants

Daycare Teacher (Part-time)

Please submit your curriculum vitae by email to [kas@krtams.org](mailto:kas@krtams.org). We will only accept applications by email.

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