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A letter from the Principal, Susan Boutros

Dear Parents and Friends,

At Khartoum American School we strongly believe that community building is an essential component of a good school. Learning comes more naturally when communities flourish.

There was a Valentine's high school dance at school organized by the Student Council last Thursday. More than 50 students from different schools attended. Most students had a wonderful time dancing. Others were happy by socializing while listening to music and having refreshments.

Last week, the student council raised 400 SDG by selling candy grams and roses at school for Valentine's Day. Half of this money was added to the money raised by the Community Service Learning class and used to buy baby formula for the local orphanages.

Preparations for "Sudan Days" are in full swing. Sudan Days will be held next week from March 1st to March 3rd. For three consecutive days, students will have the opportunity to experience the rich culture of our host country, Sudan. Everyone is welcome to shop at the Souq that will be held in the school quad on March 1st and March 2nd. On the evening of March 3rd, there will be a performance by the students after which the school will be hosting an "Open Mic" night.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you during "Sudan Days". I would like to assure you that at Khartoum American School, we will continue working on further building our community.

Don't Forget about the Library's Moodliscious!

See the library's website and moodle "Moodliscious" for the most recent library news. kaslibrary.org. For example, 2nd through 5th grades are participating in an international reading club. The book titles are listed in Moodliscious. There is bright pink tape on the spines of these books so you can easily see if your child is reading one of the selections.

Soccer News

The U19 girls played against KICS in the Finals on Monday at KICS. The girls came out and played their best game to date against KICS. At the end of regulation time the score was tied 3-3, with all three goals scored by Lamease Phillips. After an additional 5 minutes of play, the score remained tied, after the second 5 minutes of extra time the score was 5-3 in favor of KICS. Your second place U19 girls soccer team was represented by: Coach Ms Dina Shalash, grade 9 -Lamease Phillips, grade 10 - Sarah Saif, grade 11 - Iman El-Mahdi, Hayam ElSanousi, Thabi Kgwete, Waad Mukhtar, and grade 12 - Almaha Al-Hammadi and Martha Ayad. Way to go team!

The U14 and U19 boys were to play this week in the finals against KICS, but due to unforeseen circumstances the game has been postponed until Sunday, Feb 27th, at 3:15pm here at KAS. Come out and support your KAS teams in what are bound to be fantastic matches. GO KAS!

The U14 girls will travel to KICS today to play in the Khartoum Cup against NVA, UHS, and KICS. GO GIRLS!

Attention

all Middle and High School Students!
Please Contact Your teachers if you
need help with school work!

Middle School students are experiencing homework for the first time. When students move from 6th to 8th grade, the amount of work increases. As students learn to take responsibility for their work at school and at home, it is very important that they also remember to contact their teachers for extra help. Students can schedule extra time with teachers during lunch or after school. Students should also make sure to ask questions during class if they don't understand anything. Don't be shy!



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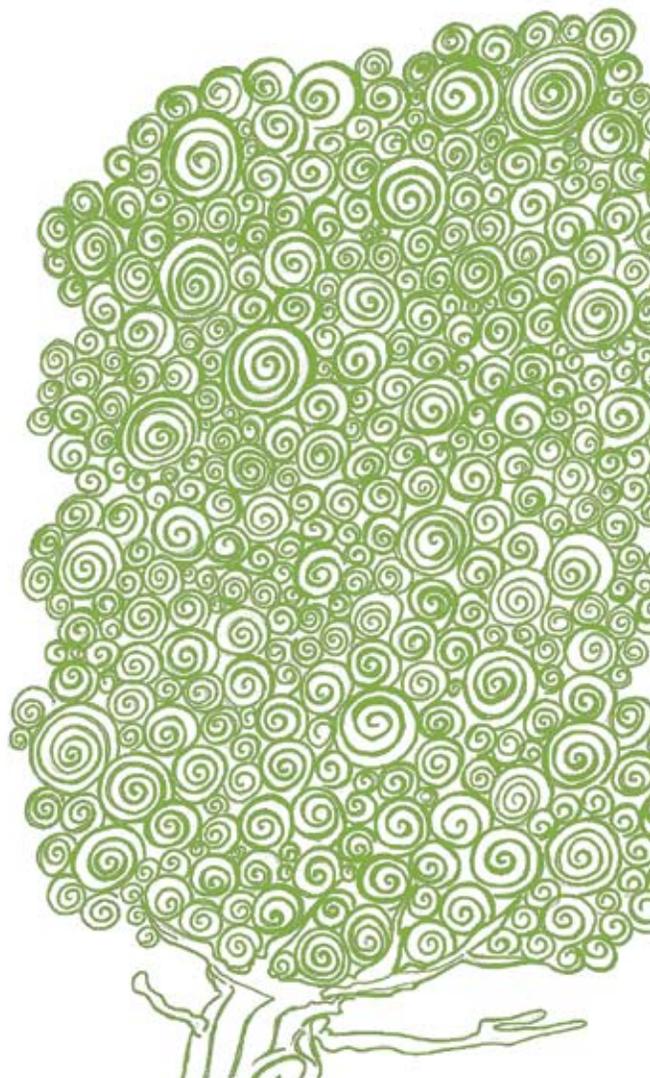
High School students have a heavy work load and must be responsible and organized in order to stay on top of everything. However, this doesn't mean they can't go to teachers for help! Students should make sure they have their teachers' email addresses and should also know their teachers' free periods during the school day.

Parents can help by asking teachers for their contact information during parent teacher conferences. Encourage your children to contact their teachers if they need help with work. Also, students can always stay after school at the Learning Center to finish homework or get some extra help!

A letter from the Elementary Principal, Ben Voborsky

We promote literacy at KAS in a number of ways. One example is, every Tuesday, we have a guest reader who selects a book to share at the Elementary assembly. The most recent guest reader was one of our Grade 9 students. It was great to see all the Early Childhood and Elementary students gather closely around Majid. He choose a book from the Clifford the Big Red Dog series. It was really a big hit, especially since it was Clifford's Riddles! Majid engaged the students by pausing to ask questions like "What is wet and pink and holds fifty cans of dog food?". You could feel the excitement as the student added comments and anxiously awaited the answers, "Clifford's tongue!" I know he inspired students to go to the library and check out more books from the series!

If you are interested in becoming a guest reader, please contact Mr. Ben (bvoborsky@krtams.org) or Ms. Jones (hjones@krtams.org)



Sudan Days

It is that time of the year when we celebrate Sudan Days. In the coming days we will try to incorporate Sudanese culture within the school day in many ways... food, games, souq, and more. Mark your calendars and schedule a visit to KAS. Enjoy the food, coffee, tea, and stop by the souq. Tickets are SDG 5 per person.

Dates to Remember

Thursday, February 24th, 2011 at 3:15pm	U14 Girls Khartoum Cup Soccer at KICS
Sunday, February 27th, 2011 at 3:15pm	U14 and U19 Boys Soccer Finals at KAS
Tuesday and Wednesday, March 1st and 2nd, 2011 9am - 2pm	Sudan Days
Thursday, March 3rd, 2011 7 - 10pm	Sudan Days Open Mic Night
Monday and Tuesday, March 7th and 8th, 2011	Memory by Dave Zakem at KAS
Wednesday, March 9th, 2011	Early Dismissal



