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news from the trunk

Thursday, January 26, 2017



SUDAN DAYS FESTIVAL

Celebration of Heritage, Culture & Community

Bazaar

Entertainment

Traditional Sudanese

Food & Drinks

Games

Wednesday,
February 1
(KAS Only)

Thursday,
February 2
(KAS Only)

Friday
February 3
3:00pm-8:00pm
(Open to KAS & Outside Friends)

*What we love most
about Sudan Days
is whom we share it
with 😊*



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT'S PARENT SEMINAR-

"Tips for Parents on Building Positive Study Skills for Children", presented by Ms. Nicole Stacey

Thursday, February 16, 8:30am, KAS Library. **Bring your freinds from KAS or from outside of KAS!**

Superintendent's Message

Dear Parents and Guradians,

This week you will be receiving your child's report card. This is an opportunity to discuss your child's progress with her/him. The classroom professionals, your child's teachers, have worked closely with each student over the past semester to guide and support them on their journey of learning. There is no doubt that each child is moving forward in their academic knowledge. If you have questions regarding your child's report, do not hesitate to contact her/his teacher. It is important to remind us that academic growth and development is one of our 4Cs - Curriculum. In addition to our vision of building academic strengths, skills and understandings, KAS emphasizes continuous development of the remaining Cs of Character, Community, and Citizenship as described below:

Character:

By helping students develop self-discipline and a positive self-image, Khartoum American School encourages students to explore their potential and to develop a rich and broad understanding of today's world. Khartoum American School fosters in students a strong sense of personal commitment and dedication to their own learning.

Community:

Khartoum American School actively pursues a sense of community characterized by students who are cooperative, communicative, productive and responsible. Students are encouraged to view themselves and their school as integral parts of the global community. Our community is a partnership of stakeholders who are actively engaged in the school and collectively shape its direction and ethos.

Citizenship:

We promote global citizenship, and the expectation of our students is to reflect upon their own world and the world around them and to develop the skills required to make positive changes worldwide. We encourage students to embrace the diversity present at Khartoum American School and to celebrate the fact that it makes us a richer school community.

I wish you a pleasant weekend.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rob Beck
Superintendent

Nile Book Awards

It's that time of the year again for our Nile Book Awards. A program that makes reading, learning and competing a fun activity for all. The Nile Book Award is a program where students have the opportunity to not only read and rate their books but to then compete with other schools in fun activities using the same books they have chosen.



The Nile Book Award



Come join our fun library activities

Participating Schools

Khartoum International Community School	International school of Uganda
International Community School Addis	International School Of Kenya

Vote for your favorite book

Lower Elementary	Upper Elementary
	
	
	
	

SIGN UP FOR PARTICIPATION AT THE LIBRARY

KAS will be one of the many schools taking part in the region including but not limited to: International Community School Of Addis (ICSA), International School Of Kenya (ISK), International School Of Uganda (ISU) and the Khartoum International Community School (KICS) .

Don't miss the fun! Please encourage your child/children to participate in these wonderful reads, and vote for your favorite books. Feel free to stop by the Library if you have any questions, or drop me an email at sshiber@krtams.org.

Shireen Shiber
Librarian

A Message from the Early Childhood & Elementary Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

The start of the new year and our new semester reveals several exciting things happening around campus for our students and community.

Over the winter break work crews were very busy renovating our Art and Music classrooms and the MS/HS Counselor's office. The results of their excellent work are beautiful and practical! The classrooms have both been enlarged, and the windows of both rooms are now so pretty that we want to show them off by keeping them clear of all obstructions. You can see these windows as you pull into the school, right behind the benches of the front pick-up area. And through the windows you can see the new classrooms shining like diamonds. A new handicapped bathroom has been added off the inside of the Music classroom. The old AC duct structures hanging from the ceilings of these rooms have been removed, opening up the spacious vaulted ceilings above them. New cabinets have been installed, and the tiles in both classrooms are gorgeous. Please stop in to see the two classrooms, and the new MS/HS Counselor's office, when you get a chance, and also see the big smiles on the faces of Ms. Maie and Mrs. Lanario (and Mr. Dworak).

By the way, additional classrooms are scheduled to be renovated this summer, so when everyone returns after summer break it will be like moving into brand new classrooms!

Along with exciting changes to our beautiful campus, there is excitement in our classrooms as the ECC/ES students and teachers continue their journey of learning with fresh energy after three weeks off. The first thing all of us noticed the first day back was how tall the children are! It was remarkable to see this growth in just a few weeks away. And so much amazing learning is taking place in the classrooms. For example, Ms. Salma Saeed, our wonderful ES/MS ESL teacher, is doing a special writing course with the Grade 1 students this semester, in which small groups of students go to her classroom each morning for a kind of writers' workshop. The learning of the students in this and the other ECC and ES classrooms is growing in leaps and bounds, a bit like the physical growth spurt they seemed to experience over the holiday. It is a joy to watch this growth and to be part of the team helping to guide these fine young people forward into a bright future.

Phil Centers

Early Childhood Center & Elementary Principal

NEWS FROM THE SPORTS DEPARTMENT

SOCCER SEASON



Game times = 20min halves for ALL ages

Games start at 3:30.
The Junior Teams will play first
and The Senior Teams will play second

January

25 KAS vs KICS 📍 KAS

30 KAS vs NVS 📍 KAS

February

6 KAS vs NVS 📍 KAS

8 KAS vs UHS 📍 KAS

13 KAS vs KICS 📍 KICS

20 KAS vs UHS 📍 KAS

March

1 KAS vs KICS 📍 KAS

8 KAS vs NVS 📍 KAS

13 Junior Tournament 📍 KAS

15 Senior Tournament 📍 KICS

KAS Seniors Reflect

On the 15th of January the class of 2017 began its final semester of secondary education at Khartoum American School. Due to a unanticipated conflict I couldn't be in class that day, so I sent a change of plan for the substitute teacher: "Have students spend the class period answering in writing the following question: *What do you wish to have accomplished in high school, knowing that you only have 5 months to do so? Create a poem to express these thoughts.*"

The results expressed fears, dreams, anticipation for the future, a culmination of learning, and reality. Here are some selections of what it feels like to be a senior at KAS. I was invigorated by their insight. Clearly, these five young adults prompt us to revive our perspective toward achievement.

Anne Scott
HS & AP English Teacher

What if everything they told us was fake
At the end of the tunnel, only fire awaits
Would our academic labels still matter
As we all get mixed in life's crazy batter

Hamza Kayani

Time passes by fast
And these five months won't last
Successful is what I want to be . . .
I want to make these months memorable
I want to be remembered as that person who was positive in school

Gioryl Hoogdorp

We are all just trying to be accepted by the society
But the process is full of anxiety
Struggled throughout high school
Fighting for the acceptance from Stern school
Chose the most difficult courses
Fought for the highest grades
Blinded with GPA and SAT

Ruifan Wang

As we age, there are many things we encounter
Yet we must not forget about what brings our laughter . . .

As we are accepted and rejected from certain pathways
We must learn to live through all these days

Not let such letters determine our future
They were only part of the smaller picture

Hasab El Omer

steadily I grip the reality,
the reality to finally grow up,
grow up to see my future shape up,
shape up my impression,
an impression of succession,
that succession I want to achieve,
achieve in high school and receive,
receive all the life lessons,
life lessons to be remembered without questions

Anjali Lugun

SAYING OF THE WEEK

To **Throw Your Hat Into The Ring** means you are signalling an intention to join an event or enterprise, or take up a challenge. The phrase can be traced back to the days of prize-fighters who would tour the country with travelling fairs giving local people the chance to win money by trying to beat them in the ring. The way any local would enter the competition was to throw his hat into the ring, which would then be placed in a pile with the others and later shown to the crowd as an invitation for the owner to step forward.

Minette van der Bijl
High School English Department

Elementary Assembly Masters This Week's Winners



Limar
Hassan
Grade 1

Mohamed
Adani
Grade 2

Momin
Omer
Abdasalam
Grade 1

Mohamed
Mohammed
Grade 3