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news from the trunk

Thursday, September 27, 2018



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS



KAS POOL IS NOW OPEN



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:00PM

Superintendent's Message

The Importance of Developing Global Citizenship

During the last school year KAS defined, as one of our guiding documents, the importance of our responsibility to be global citizens. This responsibility is shared by everyone in our community.

At school we incorporate into our learning the need to become globally aware. We encourage parents to do this with your children through discussion and action.

Here are reasons why it is important to be globally aware:

- Teaching children to be globally aware helps them understand those who are different
- As the world becomes more interconnected, we are expected to work well with others.
- The ability to work well together amidst diversity helps develop civility and peaceful societies

Ways to help build global awareness:

- Help students become geographically aware through playing games and looking at maps
- Expose students to books and music from around the world
- Participate in international potlucks and festivals
- Study a foreign language

We encourage our students to learn about others and become active global citizens.

Steve Alexander
KAS Superintendent

High School Student Council Elections

Hello KAS Community!

High School Student Council Elections were held on Sunday and the results are in! The council will soon be attending a Leadership Retreat on campus to gain leadership skills and set goals for the year ahead.

Here are the HS council members. Please congratulate them if you see them around campus!



President:

Omar Moustafa - Grade 12

Vice President:

Mohammed Elmaghrabi - Grade 11

Secretary:

Nada Hamid - Grade 12

Treasurer:

Sean IM - Grade 11

Publicist:

Huda Abdelghani - Grade 9

Grade 12 Class Representative:

Yousif Elmaghrabi

Grade 11 Class Representative:

Dina Abuelgasim

Grade 10 Class Representative:

Tawfeeg Hadra

Grade 9 Class Representative:

Lina Fadl

Thanks,

Dina Shalash
High School Student Council Adviser

A Message from the Early Childhood & Elementary Principal

Dear KAS Family,

As the weeks continue to fly by not only are all students busy with the daily curriculum, but they are also participating in the ASAP (our school's fun enrichment program) taking place from about 3 to 3:50 pm on Sunday, Monday and Wednesday. In these clubs our students do fun and exciting activities that they do not have time for during the regular school day. The next sign up will be in a few weeks so please talk to your children about what they may be interested in.

Also, next week marks the completion of our MAP testing. The results of this testing will be used to give each teacher a better understanding of where each student is at academically. And, in turn, we can better tailor our teaching to fit each student's academic needs. So please continue to allow your children plenty of time to study at home. And very importantly, also to play and of course to rest as well.

One more thing you all are hearing about now a days at KAS and you may hear more during the next few weeks and months, is safeguarding. Safeguarding is basically making sure all of us feel and are actually safe on campus. This is nothing new, as all schools have as their top priority a safe comfortable campus for their students and families. KAS is no different and does has a safe and comfortable learning environment at this time. The only change that will be coming is more discussion about and implementation of an actual written policy designed specifically for our school.

As always, thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school and its students, employees and programs.

Take care,

Joe Kaminski
Early Childhood & Elementary Principal

KAS High School Basketball Season Update

The high school boys' and girls' basketball teams have been on a tear recently, each winning 3 exciting games in a row. The girls were able to beat rivals KICS in a tense, overtime game last week. The hero of the game was Haneen, who stole the ball at half court and scored the winning layup at the buzzer. The KAS boys have won the past three games due to good defensive pressure and by finishing tough inside shots. They showed good poise in holding on to the lead and beating NVS on Monday after losing to the same team in the first game of the season by 16 points. Please support both teams by attending our final home games of the season starting in October!

KAS Boys Results:

NVS 50-34 KAS

KAS 35-30 Unity

KAS 26-23 KICS

KAS 26-24 NVS

KAS Boys scoring stats

Points Per Game (30.25 PPG) leaders

1. Abdalla 12.25 ppg
2. Kareem 8.25 ppg
3. HH 5.5
4. Tawfeeg 2
5. Akeem 1.75
6. Ali 0.75
7. Yousef 0.33

Owen McMullen

Social Studies Teacher/Basketball Coach

Saying of the Week

A **Parting Shot** is a final blow or withering remark that a victim has no chance of responding to. The Parthians were an ancient race living in south-west Asia. They were skilled warriors whose battle tactics included mounted archers riding away from their enemy, giving the impression of a retreat. They would then twist backwards in their saddle and fire with deadly accuracy at the pursuing enemy. The first references were made to the Parthians in English literature during the 17th century and the phrase 'parthian shot' became a well-known phrase for 'parting blow' until the early 20th century when the similarity between 'parthian' and 'parting' let to a corruption to the original phrase.

Minette van der Bijl

High School English Department

Why is Your Child a Lucky Artist?



How Can I Help My Child At Home?

the following are tips to make the arts a part of your kid's development:

- Always make arts and crafts supply available and accessible to your kid – paper, pencil, crayons, etc.
- Celebrate your child's artwork – hang their drawings on the wall or save it in a folder. That way, your child feels that his/her creation is important.
- Read books – Ask the librarian at your school or public library to suggest books about artists and the arts.
- Enjoy the arts at home – share your artistic skills and interests with your kid. Find out what your kids love about the art.

Refrenes : (New York Center for Arts Education)- , (Michigan State University)

Maie Hassan
Art Teacher

I am proud to say that our art department at KAS is one of the strongest and most highly equipped art departments in Khartoum. This is because our school is aware of the importance of arts for your child's development. We have a very strong art curriculum that meets all students learning styles and learning needs. Here are a few points that show what we look at when designing the curriculum.

Benefits of exposing your children to art:

- Your kid learns to think creatively, with an open mind
- Your kid learns to observe and describe, analyze and interpret
- Your kid learns to express feelings, with or without words.
- Your kid practices problem-solving skills, critical-thinking skills, dance, music, theater and art-making skills, language and vocabulary of the arts
- Your kid discovers that there is more than one right answer, multiple points of view
- School can be fun – art can be learning
- Your kid learns to collaborate with other children and with adults
- Arts introduce children to cultures from around the world
- Your kid can blossom and excel in the arts. Even with physical, emotional or learning challenges, can experience success in the arts.
- Arts build confidence because there is not just one right way to make art, every child can feel pride in his or her original artistic creations.
- Arts build community. Schools with a variety of differences can celebrate the arts as one community.



ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear All,

Author Leila Abulela & Steve Skidmore's books are on sale every Thursday near the office.

Kindness of Enemies by Leila Abulela
The Translators by Leila Abulela

Action Dogs Warrior Princess by Steve Skidmore
Action Dogs Terror In Space by Steve Skidmore
Action Dogs The Howling Inferno by Steve Skidmore
Action Dogs Superhero by Steve Skidmore

Don't miss the chance to buy those signed by the author books!

Thanks & Best Regards