

A newsletter for our learners and parents January & February 2023

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Dear Parents,

As the year kicks off to a great and bright start, we have so much happening at KiS to share with you. Accordingly, the Management of KiS would like to highlight the following events and updates, for the months of January and February.

RECENT EVENTS & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Professional Development Program

The ongoing Professional Development Program is an integral part of the continuous academic growth at KiS.

Accordingly, School Development Consultants (SDC) -LWIS trainers and consultants conducted a full-day training for our instructional staff from K to 12 on January 20, 2024.

The training, which is a part of lifelong learning for our teachers, aimed at:

- Enhancing the Science education, the English language, the homeroom teaching, and the early childhood education
- Offering ongoing professional development at KiS

Stay tuned for more updates!

Book fair

The yearly book fair was held on the school premises on the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 24, 2024, specifically for grades 5 to 12 in the boys' section and for K to Grade 3 in the girls' section
- Thursday, January 25, 2024, specifically for grades 4 to 12 in the girls' section

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Upcoming events

ART Exhibition: March 10 at the

• Founding Day: March 6

Mothers' Day at the Girls'

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MORE EXCITING UPDATES

- Annual Class Photo: The annual class photo was taken on January 29, 30, and 31, 2024
- Quraan Competition: February 4 at the Boys' School
- International Day: February 7 at the Girls' School
- Science Fair: February 8 at the Boys' School

PRESCHOOL DEPARTMENT

- On January 4th, 2024, parents were invited to the school for a special event where they could walk through their children's classes. This was one of KiS's approaches to increase parents' involvement in their children's education and help them to better understand what a typical school day looks like.
- An educational field trip to Wooden Bakery has been scheduled for February 14th and 15th, during which students will participate in a hands-on learning experience.

LOWER ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT - BOYS

Dear Lower Elementary Parents,

January and February were busy months at the KiS Lower Elementary Department. Our learners were engaged academically and socially.

December 2023 progress reports have been distributed to learners, which allowed parents and their children to understand the expectations and benchmarks set by KiS in order to succeed and excel in school, both academically and socially.

Classroom, interactive activities, laboratory visits, and field visits in science played a dominant role in the learning process as they enticed learners to be proactive in the classroom and not just passive listeners.



Here are some of the exciting activities:

- Field trip for Grade 4 Boys to the National Museum on January 3, 2024
- Math competition for Grade 3 on February 1st, 2024
- Field trips to Wooden Bakery for Grades 1 & 2 on Feb 18 and 19, 2024
- Field trip to the movies for Grade 3 on February 20

UPPER ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT - GIRLS' SCHOOL

For International Day, mothers were invited to school. The event included presentations, activities, food stalls, and cultural dance performances.

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT - GIRLS' SCHOOL

Visit to the National Association of the Blind/Kafeef

Grade 11 visited the National Association of The Blind (Kafeek) in Riyadh. During their visit, they acquired insights into how individuals of all ages with visual impairments perform daily tasks. Additionally, they received instructions pertaining to the Braille alphabet and were taught by a visually impaired staff member how to write their names using the Perkins Braille typewriter.

Business Boot Camp

The New York Institute of Technology offered a wide variety of courses. A number of grade 10 learners registered, attended, and received certificates. games.

College Guidance

Mrs. Nada Hajj, the Director of Admissions at LAU, met with interested learners in grade 11 and prospective ones in grade 12.

A large number of learners attended and volunteered during the UKUNI university fair. "Major Mania": With passion and enthusiasm, grade 12 researched and presented their dream fields of study/jobs.

Sports day

Sports Day for grade 8 and 12 took place this month. The learners participated in a variety of activities such as Tug War, the plank challenge, the balloon questionnaires, ping pong, badminton, dodgeball, and chair games.

Devote Thyself to Destruction

Dana Al Fasatleh wrote a book entitled "Devoted Thyself to Destruction,' which is a composition of poetry and prose that targets modern thought via the micro-lens of authentic philosophical idealisms. In her poetry collection, Dana poetically explains how, in this generation, we are actively destroying ourselves for a romanticized viewpoint of living. The book is heavily influenced by Inferno by Dante and Beyond Good and Evil by Friedrich Nietzsche.

Embracing Uniqueness!

Reem Emam, grade 11, spearheaded a remarkable website for the Green Club, showcasing her commitment to environmental causes. The site serves as an informative hub, skillfully presenting the club's mission and activities, embodying Reem's dedication to fostering community engagement in sustainability initiatives.



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by Dana AlFasatleh

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SCIENCE ROCKS IN THE DEPARTMENT

Grade 3

People and their environment

Through hands-on learning and direct observation, our grade 3 learners are discovering the impact of human activities on our planet. They embarked on a journey outside the classroom to observe firsthand how human actions shape the environment. Their observation focused on the infrastructure construction site facing the school done by "Green Riyadh," working on a water treatment network for irrigation systems for plants and trees. This activity showcases experiential learning and shapes the next generation of eco-conscious leaders.



Fossils

Grade 3 explored fossils, starting with a virtual trip and progressing to interactive visuals and games. The hands-on lab session was a highlight, with learners creating fossils in different earth layers using colored sand. They analyzed how a fossil's relative age is determined by its earth layer and crafted trace fossils with clay.

Grade 4

Our Grade 4 learners delved into the wonders of the water cycle! Engaging in the "Rain in the Jar" activity, they witnessed evaporation, condensation, and precipitation in action. With a beaker of boiling water, cling film, and ice cubes, our young scientists made keen observations and documented their findings in lab reports. As part of their cross-disciplinary project, after acing the math part, they delved deeper into Science and Art. The project revolved around water and the water cycle, analyzing the problem of excess water use and brainstorming creative ways to reduce consumption for a sustainable future. Learners demonstrated their insightful presentations!



Grade 6

Lab session

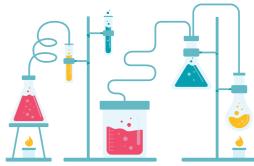
Our Grade 6 learners are on a cellular adventure! Augmented reality The engaged in a comprehensive study, Step into the microscopic world. In this exciting contrasting prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells. The educational adventure designed for grade 6 excitement continued with a lab session featuring learners, the young scientists embarked on a onion tissue under the microscope, unraveling the mysteries of cell structure. Furthermore, they and plant cells. Using augmented reality (AR) explored cell size with a hands-on experiments technologies, we provided an immersive and using beetroots and bleach, gaining insights into engaging experience that brings the inner the critical surface area to ratio concept. life like never before

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MORE FROM OUR SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Grade 7

Grade 7 Science project! Our students aced their projects by diving into the periodic table. Each chose an element, broke down its position, properties, and everyday applications. Then they took it a step further! The class hit the lab, conducting experiments and creating models to vividly showcase their findings. It's not just about facts; it's about hands-on learning in action and growing into eonfident individuals!



Grade 8

Lab session

Through a series of meticulously curated dissection techniques and demonstrations, learners witnessed firsthand the remarkable intricacies of the brain's anatomy, including the cerebrum, brain stem, and cerebellum. Overall, the Brain Lab Dissection offered a transformative experience, combining scientific knowledge with hands-on exploration.

Inertia challenge

Grade 8 had a blast trying the egg drop and penny drop challenges! They recorded their own videos and had fun learning about inertia. It's all about having a good time while exploring cool science stuff!

MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT - BOYS' SCHOOL

مسابقة القرآن الكريم الأولى

لقد أعلنت مدارس خالد العالمية عن اطلاقها لمسابقة القرآن الكريم في عامها الأول جائزة الأمير بندر بن فهد آل سعود والأميرة حصة بنت عبد العزيز بن جلوي وقد تقدم للمسابقة جمع كبير من التلاميذ الذين تنافسوا في حفظ القرآن وتجويده وأحكامه وقد أقيم الحفل الختامي يوم الأحد 4 فبراير,2024 حيث تم تقديم هدايا وشهادات لكل المشاركين وقد تم الاعلان عن الفائزين الثلاثة عن كل فئة

Soccer League

The Football Championship was full of excitement and fair play. The teams played with high spirits and competed in the matches with full power and enthusiasm.

Open Day

As a part of our extracurricular activities, our students were glad to have an open day on Monday, January 22. Learners were free to bring their food and wear their favorite jersey or any national costume.



COMMUNICATING WITH THE SCHOOL

At KiS, we believe that active communication and meetings with the faculty, staff and School Leadership Team is vital. We have numerous channels in place to facilitate this.

Teachers Office Hours:

Office hours for all teachers were sent by all departments to parents/guardians, informing them when they can meet with their child or children's teachers.

Please do not hesitate to visit the school and meet with the Academic Director, the Leaders, the respective Head of Section, or the Coordinators.

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