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The latest from KiS - February, 2025

Hello from KiS!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we welcome the holy month of Ramadan, we extend our warmest greetings to you and your families. This sacred time of reflection, devotion, and community is a special period for us all. May this Ramadan bring peace, prosperity, and blessings to your homes.

In this February edition of our newsletter, we are excited to share with you the latest updates and highlights from our school. From student achievements to upcoming events, we hope you find this information both informative and inspiring.

One of the highlights this month was Cognia's Engagement Review Visit, which took place from February 9th to 13th.



Important dates

Throughout our academic year, we organize many activities to engage our learners. Upcoming events include:

- Trip for Grades 2 and 3 learners
- Football tournament for Grades 4 & 5 Boys
- Art and Science Fair for Grades 4 & 5 Boys

What's been happening at KiS?

Exciting News: Successful Cognia Visit!

We are excited to announce that our recent Cognia visit was a tremendous success! The review team was highly impressed with our school's dedication to excellence and the remarkable achievements of our learners and staff. Their feedback was overwhelmingly positive, emphasizing our commitment to providing a high-quality education and fostering a supportive learning environment. This excellent review is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our entire school community. We look forward to continuing our journey of growth and excellence together.

The Cognia Engagement Review team captured the essence of our community through the words most frequently mentioned by our learners, teachers, and families. At KiS, we are supportive, caring, diverse, and safe—a true home where positivity, collaboration, and excellence thrive. This image beautifully reflects our values and commitment to learner-centered learning, inclusion, and well-being.

Thank you to everyone who makes KiS the vibrant, welcoming family it is!



Academic Matters



Progress Report Distribution

- On February 6th, we distributed the progress reports. This is an excellent opportunity to review both academic performance and behavioral aspects that may require additional focus. The atmosphere was welcoming, and open communication made it a positive experience.
- Second Parents-Teachers conference took place on February 12th and 13th to discuss the learners' progress, address any concerns, and ensure we are working together to support their learning.

Founding Day

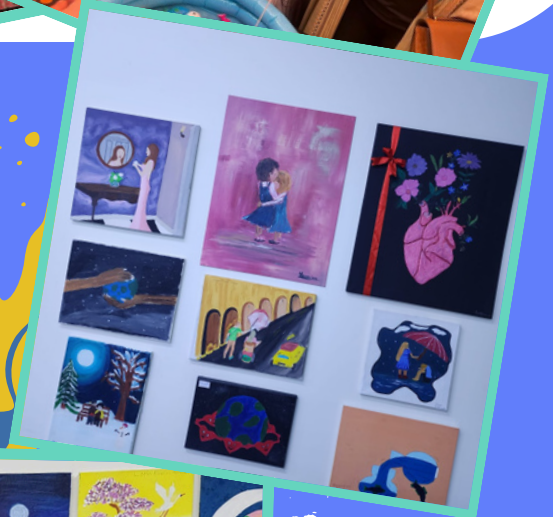
Our first kermesse for Saudi Founding Day

On Wednesday, February 19, 2025, our school hosted its first vibrant kermesse to celebrate Saudi Founding Day. Engaging activities brought together learners and faculty, fostering a sense of community and pride. The enthusiasm and spirit of the day created lasting memories, making it a truly unforgettable occasion for everyone involved.



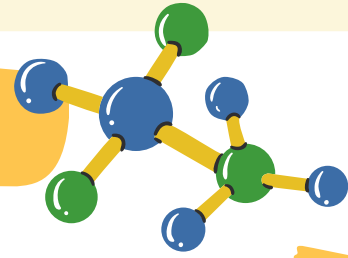
Art Fair

As part of the Founding Day kermesse, we welcomed mothers to this special event, where they had the opportunity to witness the creativity of our Grade 4 to 8 learners at the Art Fair.





Live from the Lab



Grade 6: Mendelian Rules

Grade 6 learners explored Mendelian genetics through a fun and interactive class activity using Punnett squares. They learned how traits are inherited from parents to offspring by predicting genetic combinations, which helped them understand dominant and recessive traits in an engaging way!

Grade 7: Chemical Reactions Lab

Grade 7 learners tested several chemical reactions in the lab, amazed by the colour changes, fizzing, and bubbling as science came to life before their eyes. It was a fun hands-on experience!

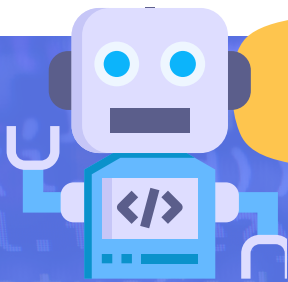


Grade 8: Electric Charges Field

Grade 8 learners engaged in an inquiry-based lab activity using the PhET simulation to explore how moving electric charges generate magnetic fields. Through hands-on investigation, they visualized electromagnetism in action, deepening their understanding of this fundamental concept.

Grade 7: DNA Hands-on Activity

Grade 7 learners engaged in an inquiry-based activity to explore DNA replication and transcription. Using a simulation, they visualized how DNA copies itself and how genetic instructions are used to build protein chains. Additionally, they conducted a hands-on activity where they built their own DNA double helix model, reinforcing their understanding of the structure and function of DNA in living organisms.



World of Robotics

Learners are thrilled to visit the robotics lab each week.

From coding simple movements with Dash and Dot in the younger grades to building complex circuits with Arduino in the higher grades, learners are immersed in hands-on learning. Their excitement is evident as they collaborate with classmates, troubleshoot challenges, and celebrate each breakthrough. The robotics lab has quickly become a favorite space where creativity and problem-solving go hand in hand, sparking a passion for technology and innovation across all grade levels.



Learners' Achievements

- The Grade 3 Math Competition took place during weeks 5 and 7, where all Grade 3 sections competed against each other. Learners had one minute to solve as many multiplication problems as possible using selected numbers.
- Friendly Basketball Game on Wednesday, January 29/ The KiS basketball team hosted a friendly match against AIS. The team secured a well-deserved win due to incredible, collaborative efforts on the court. Congratulations to our team for showcasing true sportsmanship and unity!

AP Super Scorers

Khaled International Schools celebrated learners who achieved outstanding scores on their AP exams. These top achievers set a high standard, inspiring their peers to strive for success. Congratulations to our AP Super Scorers!

Trips & Culture!

- Grades 9 & 10 learners joined an incredible safari adventure, and what a journey it was! They had the chance to witness majestic wildlife up close — from graceful giraffes and mighty lions to playful zebras and colourful birds. Beyond the breath-taking views, this trip was a chance to connect with nature, learn about conservation, and bond as a group.
- An unforgettable horseback riding trip took place on February 17th and 18th. Every moment was filled with excitement and joy. The horseback riding experience made the adventure truly special for our preschoolers and first graders learners. It was a perfect blend of learning, fun, and extraordinary memories.
- Grade 8 learners explored global cultures by choosing a country, bringing traditional food, and sharing it with their classmates. This fun and interactive activity allowed them to experience different cuisines while learning about the cultural significance of food around the world.

We are very proud of our learners!

Keep up the great work!



Languages to connect



BookMark Club Launch

Three learners from the boys' section initiated a new extracurricular club: The BookMark Club. This club aims to foster a love for reading and writing among learners.

Objectives:

- Discuss, Analyze, & Conspire—about books, of course!
- Recommend & Vote—for our next read.
- Write Poems & Short Stories—for those feeling creative!
- Proofreading & Editing—to enhance writing skills.



Empowering Learners



College Guidance & University Fairs

UAE Universities Roadshow: 11th and 12th graders attended the Winter Roadshow, where representatives from various UAE universities and colleges provided valuable insights into majors, admissions, and scholarship opportunities.

StudyCo - Australia Session: Seniors participated in an informative session organized by StudyCo, focusing on higher education opportunities in Australia.

University Fairs:

- On Sunday, February 2nd, KiS hosted a Canadian University Fair with representatives from the following institutions: Concordia, Ontario Tech, York, Carleton, and the University of Alberta.
- On Wednesday, February 5th, KiS also hosted a University Fair, with representatives from the American University of Sharjah, Ravensbourne University, Emirates Campus, Canadian University in Dubai, and several other universities in the UAE.
- Learners explored different fields of study and asked pertinent questions to the university representatives.

Self-Confidence & Success!

Learners from Grades 6, 7, and 8 attended an inspiring assembly led by 12th-grade seniors. The session emphasized the importance of self-confidence, featuring real-life success stories of influential figures across different fields.

Communicating with the school & Leadership team

Teachers Office Hours:

Parents and guardians are welcome to meet with their child's teachers during office hours. Additionally, you can visit the school to meet with the Leaders, Academic Director, Head of Section, or Coordinators.

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