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SUCCESS ORIENTATION OF THE MONTH

Attention KIS!

The Success Orientation Committee would like to share the highlight of the month of September!

CONCERN FOR OTHERS

Through the 7 SO's, we instill in our students the important guiding characteristics of: Kindness & Politeness, Concern for Others, Trustworthiness, Responsibility, Independent Endeavor, Group Interaction, and Aesthetic Appreciation.

We picked concern for others for September in honor of the upcoming Blue Shirt Day – World Day of Bullying Prevention on Monday, October 2nd

We will keep you posted!

Just remember to be there for each other!

~ Success Orientation Committee

COMMUNITY ENGLISH CLASSES

Mondays and Wednesdays

for Beginners and Pre-Intermediate English Learners
Classes will start on September 11th

Time: 10:05 am

Room: 1404

Tuesdays and Fridays

for Intermediate and Pre-Advanced English learners
Classes will start on September 12th

Time: 10:05 am

Room: 1404

UPCOMING EVENTS

September

9— ACT

13 — Back to School Night/College Fair
6:00—7:00 pm

15 — TEDx Auditions

16 — PTO Welcome Back Picnic

18-22 — MS/Secondary MAP Testing

25-29 — Elementary MAP Testing

21-22—MAP Facilitators Conference

27 — PTO General Meeting

28 — Pre-school Coffee Chat

October

2 — Blue Shirt Day — World Day of
Bullying Prevention

4-10 — Multi-story Theater Visit

7— International Night

7 — SAT

11 — PSAT

13-16 — MUN

14 — PTO Reading Night

19 — 1st Quintile Ends. Status Reports
Issued

20 — Parent/Teacher Conferences
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

23-27 FALL BREAK—No School

30 — PTO Board Meeting

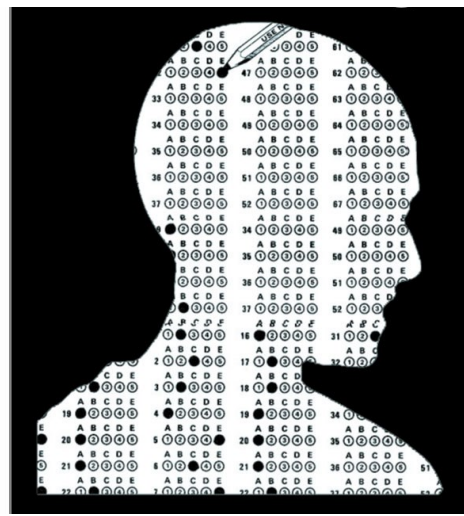
November

3 — PTO Fall Festival

14 — Elementary Talent Show

15 — Secondary Talent Show

16-17 — No School—Teacher Professional
Development Conference



LEARNING VS. TESTING

I remember when I was younger, I was obsessed with getting taller. I grew up with older brothers who played basketball and height was a key factor for me to beat them. My parents would track how much I had grown with a mark on the wall, along with my brothers and sister. I would watch with eager anticipation regularly to see if it was time for a new mark.

Measurement is an important component of our day-to-day life, whether it is how much water we drink, how fast we drive, the 4G data on our phone, or the test scores in school. We use measurement to help the world make sense. Unfortunately, this can be very counterproductive when it comes to the learning environment and expectations we have for students. Though we want to measure our students academic progress, we need to be careful to avoid letting school assessments define our children. Everyday there is an increase of the amount of information accessible to students. This information is at the same time becoming less standardized, making it very difficult to decide what information students should and shouldn't know. Beyond the core subjects of reading, writing, mathematics, and research, which will always be a focus for schools, the global culture of creativity, design, innovation, discovery, adaptability, and rapid change are becoming more important than ever.

As parents and teachers, it becomes our responsibility to embrace and cultivate the value of learning vs. testing, **place emphasis on thinking vs. memorizing**, and **celebrate creativity vs. replication**. As we approach MAP testing in a couple of weeks, it is important to keep this in mind. There will continue to be a shift in the importance and weight of standardized testing for students as they grow up in the modern classroom. Having this conversation with our students is a critical factor of developing the right mind set for 21st century learning. Though it is a valid piece in the puzzle, it is only one piece among many others. The growth necessary for our students goes far beyond a percent on a test, grade on a paper, percentile among a group of students, or, like my height, a mark on the wall.

- Luke Woodruff, Director

SAFETY AND SECURITY GUIDELINES

The safety and security of our students and your children is of utmost importance to the school. For this reason, it is importance for us to practice and communicate regularly any safety concerns and procedures at KIS. Regular safety drills are part of our general safety and security plan that will be practiced throughout the year. Please see below some important information concerning these safety drills and other general information.



Friday, September 15th

Please see the 4 safety and security actions below that KIS follows.
Next Friday, the school will practice a Lockdown and Fire Evacuation.



Lockout

Lockout is followed by the Directive: "Secure the Perimeter" and is the protocol used to safeguard students and staff within the building.



Lockdown

Lockdown is followed by "Locks, Lights, Out of Sight" and is the protocol used to secure individual rooms and keep students quiet and in place.



Evacuate

Evacuate is always followed by a location, and is used to move students and staff from one location to a different location in or out of the building.



Shelter

Shelter is often a response to poor weather preventing the school from dismissing, but may also include a response to any natural disasters or civil unrest.



SMS Test Run - Friday, September 15th

On Friday, September 15th, the school will send out a text message using our bulk SMS message system to all parents. This is to test the system and ensure that all parents are receiving these messages. The message will be sent out around 10:00am. If you do not receive this message, please notify the school.

Measures of Academic Progress



NWEA™

MAP TESTING IS COMING! What Can You Do To Help?

- Make sure your child gets a good night sleep.
- Make sure they eat some food.
- Don't put too much pressure on children. Help them to be relaxed.

Our Fall MAP testing (Measures of Academic Progress) is coming up.

Regular Testing Schedule - September 18-29

Make Up Testing - October 2-6

We give students MAP tests to help monitor your child's instructional level and to measure academic growth throughout the school year and from year to year in the areas of mathematics, reading, and language usage. These tests help to give a measure of your child's academic development at one moment in time. It is important to note that understanding your child's academic standing and progress is a puzzle with many pieces. The MAP tests are certainly a worthy measure, but they are simply one of the pieces that we use with a variety of assessments, observations, and monitoring. The results from these tests will be available shortly after all testing has been completed. If you have questions about MAP, please feel free to contact school administrators or your child's teacher.

MAP TESTING SCHEDULE

FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL AND SECONDARY STUDENTS

		Monday Sep 18	Tuesday Sep 19	Wednesday Sep 20	Thursday Sep 21	Friday Sep 22
Periods 1 & 2 8:15 – 9:50	LS Lab 1 Near Library	11 Reading (Surname A – J)	12 Reading (Surname A – KH)	13 Reading (Surname A – K)	Sec I Reading (Surname A – K)	12 Language Use (Surname A – KH)
	MS 2 nd Floor Lab	11 Reading (Surname K – O)	12 Reading (Surname KI – POL)	13 Reading (Surname L – STE)	Sec I Reading (Surname L – R)	12 Language Use (Surname KI – POL)
	LS Lab 2 Near Library	11 Reading (Surname P – Z)	12 Reading (Surname POOL – Z)	13 Reading (Surname STE – Z)	Sec I Reading (Surname S – Z)	12 Language Use (Surname POOL – Z)
Periods 3 & 4 10:02 – 11:35	LS Lab 1 Near Library	13 Math (Surname A – K)	Sec II Math (Surname A – K)	Sec II Reading (Surname A – K)	12 Math (Surname A – KH)	11 Math (Surname A – J)
	MS 2 nd Floor Lab	13 Math (Surname L – STE)	Sec II Math (Surname L – N)	Sec II Reading (Surname L – N)	12 Math (Surname KI – POL)	11 Math (Surname K – O)
	LS Lab 2 Near Library	13 Math (Surname STE – Z)	Sec II Math (Surname O – Z)	Sec II Reading (Surname O – Z)	12 Math (Surname POOL – Z)	11 Math (Surname P – Z)
Periods 7 & 8 1:14 – 2:47	LS Lab 1 Near Library	Sec II Lan- guage Use (Surname A – K)	11 Language Use (Surname A – J)	Sec I Math (Surname A – K)	13 Language Use (Surname A – K)	Sec I Language Use (Surname A – K)
	MS 2 nd Floor Lab	Sec II Lan- guage Use (Surname L – N)	11 Language Use (Surname K – O)	Sec I Math (Surname L– R)	13 Language Use (Surname L – STE)	Sec I Language Use (Surname S – R)
	LS Lab 2 Near Library	Sec II Lan- guage Use (Surname O – Z)	11 Language Use (Surname P – Z)	Sec I Math (Surname S – Z)	13 Language Use (Surname STE – Z)	Sec I Language Use (Surname S– Z)

POOL OPEN FOR LESSONS

Our pool has passed inspection and is ready to open on Monday, 11 September for our swimming classes. Each student in 5 year old through 10 year old class has one day a week where they will go to the swimming pool and have swimming lessons. Ms. Olga has sent an introduction letter at the end of last week. Let us know if you have not received that letter via email. Please help Ms. Olga by bringing in your swimming gear on the day you have class.

Here is the list of things they will need to bring: swimwear, swim cap, goggles, towel, and flip-flops or pool shoes.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Wednesday, 13 September

6:00-7:00pm

Kyiv International School would like to invite you to a Back to School Open House on Wednesday, September 3rd. Please come and join us for more information about the school, meet teachers, and learn more about your child's class.

There will also be brief introduction meetings in the auditorium by each of the school's Director of Instructions. Please feel free to walk around the school, attend the different meetings, meet the PTO, and learn more about what makes KIS such a great school.

New Auditorium

6:00-6:15 **Maura Martin (6-10yo)**

6:15-6:30 **Jeff Tempel (11-13yo)**

6:30-6:45 **Scott Legan (Secondary)**

6:45-7:00 **Maura Martin (6-10yo)**

7:00-7:15 **Jeff Tempel (11-13yo)**

7:15-7:30 **Scott Legan (Secondary)**

New Gym

6:15-6:30 **Marty Curry (Athletics & Activities)**

6:30-6:45 **Marty Curry (Athletics & Activities)**

6:45-7:00 **Marty Curry (Athletics & Activities)**



The Kyiv International School
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC

Saturday, September 16, 2017
1:00pm TO 5:00pm



celebrating

25 YEARS OF KIS

Orphans from Rokytno and Zolotonosha need your help!



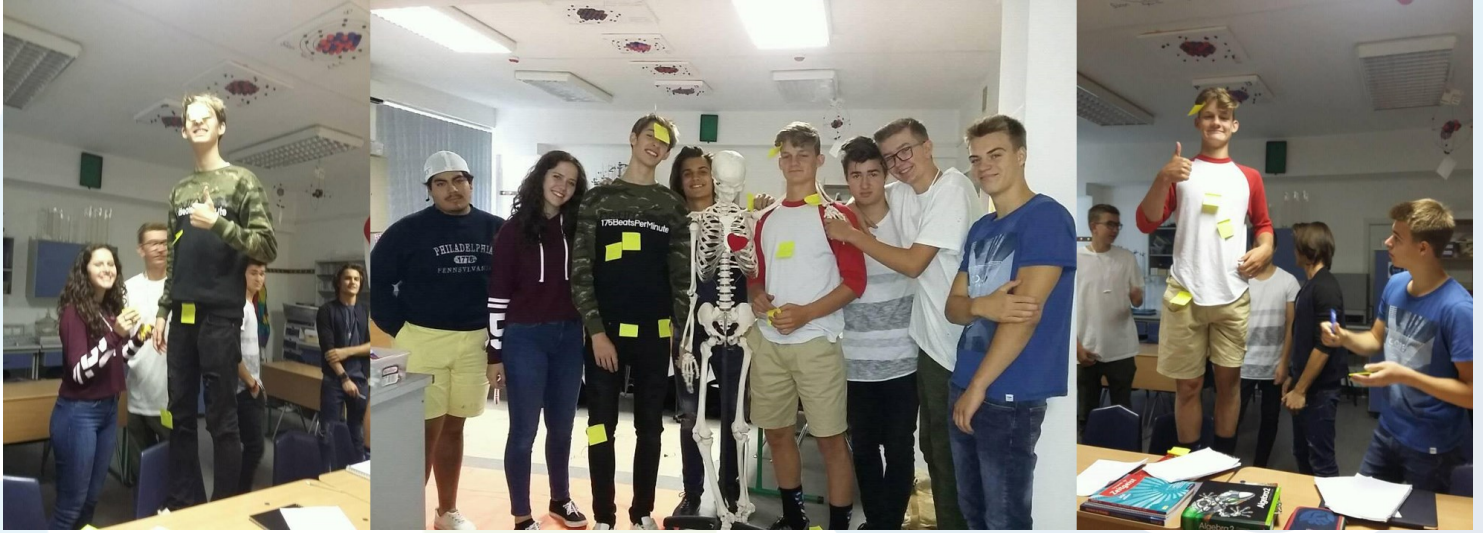
You can make a difference

Bring in extra packs of:

- Pencils
- Crayons
- Copy Books
- Pens
- Markers
- Rulers

ACADEMIC RIGOR

KIS is pleased to announce the addition of the Sport, Exercise and Health Science (SEHS) course to the IB program. The students participating in this course are studying anatomy and physiology, biomechanics, psychology and nutrition, in the context of sports and exercise. This week the students were identifying parts of the musculoskeletal system while learning to apply anatomical vocabulary to their everyday speech.



We would like to introduce the Kyiv International School IB Cohort - 2019. Learn more about the IB Program at KIS: <https://www.gsi.org/ukraine/ukr/academicsfaculty/ib/ib-program/>

PTO KORNER

Dear Parents!

The PTO Liaisons would like to welcome you to a new school year at Kyiv International School. Whether you are new to school, or a returning parent, the new school year may be as confusing, as it is exciting. We are happy to answer any questions you have, or at least point you in the right direction! Please feel free to contact us!

Kyiv International School is a busy place and there is a lot going on. To keep track of school events and PTO events, make sure you read the Kozak Korner and the PTO newsletter. The first PTO event is on September 16th - The PTO Welcome Back Picnic.

Looking forward to a great year!



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FALL SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

Dear Middle School and Secondary School Parents,

The Fall Sports and Activities season is underway. HS and MS Soccer, HS and MS Cross Country, and HS Volleyball have all had their first practices. MS Robotics had their first meeting this past week while other activities will begin shortly. Watch for emails from activity leaders.

Only students who have completed the registration form are allowed to participate in these activities. Those of you who are bus students will automatically be on the late bus list once you have completed the form.

Soccer players must have shin guards as well in order to participate.

SATURDAY MORNING FITNESS CLASSES

Dear Parents, KIS would like to invite you to take part in this year's fitness classes being held in the KIS Multipurpose Room on Saturday mornings. Starting at 10:00 am parents will be able to take part in one hour of Fitness/Pilates, strength, flexibility, and cardio training. From 11:00 until 12:00 we will have a stretching class which is aimed at improving circulation, reducing the risk of injury and increasing flexibility. Classes will be run by Oksana Pashchenko. Parents are welcome to join one or both classes which will begin on September 23rd. Classes are free but donations are appreciated.

Kyiv Junior Soccer League & Junior Soccer Training School 2017

Kyiv Junior Soccer League & Junior Soccer Training School is coming up! Inaugural games and practices will be played on Saturdays at KIS, starting **from September 09, 2017**.

The goal of this developmental league and training school for players (boys and girls under 11y.o) is to have FUN and improve their soccer skills while engaging in a sport they enjoy. We are planning to have 8-10 players per team for League and 25-30 players for Training School. Junior Soccer League and Training School will consist of six Saturdays (see schedule below). All soccer league participants will receive medals. This season we will try to use field for 2 hours only. The League and Training School will be run by Mr.Prima (anatolyprima@ukr.qsi.org), tel- (093-207-48-90). Please feel free to approach Mr.Prima with any concerns, comments or questions you may have. If you are interested in coaching your son`s or your daughter`s team, please let me know.

Dates: September 09, 16, 23, 30, October 07, 14, 2017

Cost: Training school \$30 and League/games \$50 (for all six Saturdays)

Age	Time	Event
9-10 y.o. class (boys & girls)	10:00-11:00	Soccer Training School
5-6 y.o. (boys & girls) 7-8 y.o. (boys & girls)	10:00-11:00 10:00-11:00	Soccer Training School Soccer Training School
8-10 y.o. class –girls	11:00-12:00	League/Games
9-10y.o boys	11:00-12:00	League / Games
7-8 y.o. (boys)	11:00-12:00	League / Games



Girl Scouts at KIS!

There are three Girl Scout troops for young girls to be a part of at KIS. Girl Scouts is a North American Club where girls will learn a variety of life skills, build friendships, gain self confidence, and have lots of fun. **Daisies** is for girls in 5-6 year-old class. **Brownies** is for girls in 7-8 year-old class. **Juniors** is for girls in 9-10 year-old class. Students will attend this activity on both Tuesdays and Fridays for the entire school the year. There will be no need to sign up for future sessions.. A fee of 75 USD will be charged for this activity, which includes a uniform, badges, a Girl Scout Book and registration. Sign up for one of the Girl Scout activities on Moodle!

Classifieds

We are looking for a native speaker English tutor. Please contact Adassa 050 512 7909

Tutor Available. Experience in working with elementary aged students. Highly motivated, responsible, flexible and kind to children. I have great willingness to support a child in a variety situation I will help in doing homework, especially math ..I have great results in teaching it .Also, I have good experience in teaching the Russian language for foreign children. I develop an individual approach to kids. 0661020924

Nanny Available in the afternoons. She can take your children from school and stay until evening and on weekends. Has experience in families. For more information please call 063-986-9157 Galya

Housekeeper/Babysitter Available. My name is Alla. I am 58 years old, I live in Kiev. I have experience in American, French, Italian family 15 years. I have letters of recommendation. My contact 097-795-01-37.

Nanny-housemaid. Professional cleaning. I have recommendations. I will be glad to cooperate. Christina 099 314 28 82

Best Nanny ever available! We are leaving Kiev, so Ira, who has worked for us for more than two years, is available for babysitting and cleaning work. She is a very hard-working woman and has a positive, cheerful attitude. She always found age-appropriate activities for the girls (3 and 5 y.o), who love her very much. She also speaks basic English, so understanding each other was never a problem. She always knew what to do, while

doing cleaning/laundry etc. even without me telling her. She has been working for KIS families for several years, she is honest, reliable, bakes delicious cookies - I would take her with us to our next assignment if I could! Call Ira directly on [+380 63 607 0507](tel:+380636070507)

Personal driver, Personal chef. Worked in Poland as a cook-confectioner. Great experience. I will be glad to work with you. 095 467 03 22 Roman

House for Rent: A fully furnished 3-bedroom house with all necessary appliances and house alarm for rent in Irpen. A yard of 8 ares with 30 beautiful pines. Friendly neighbors, lots of parks and supermarkets, not far from Lavina Mall. 16 km away from school (around 15 mins drive). Property Overview: 3 bedrooms/ 2 bathrooms/ 145 sqm/ 1200\$ per month/ + payments for utility services (around 4000 hryvnas in winter) Oleg (owner) [+380 \(67\) 414 24 24](tel:+380674142424)

ALL APARTMENTS for RENT NEAR GOLDEN GATE AREA. 2 room - Streletska, 13 - 87 sq.m- near Norway Embassy. price - 1000 USD. http://fn.ua/user/newedit.php?ad_id=3435398 / 3 room - Streletska, 13 - 98 sq.m - price 1100 USD / 4 room - Streletska, 13 - 110 sq.m - price 1500 USD / 5 room - Jaroslavov Val, 15 - 185 sq.m| 105| 15, 3 bedrooms, 2 WC, Parking. no furniture or discuss- Price - 3000 USD photo. http://fn.ua/newad/ad.php?ad_id=11071070 / 7 room - Reitaraskay str. 17 - 210 sq.m - 2 floors, 2 WC, Living room 60 sq.m, 40 cabinet, residence. Price discuss./ House - Petropavlovskay Borshagovka, Mira Str., 350 sq.m - Price 2300 USD http://fn.ua/user/newedit.php?ad_id=10064290 Contact: Victoria Shtepa [+ 380 50 614 5017](tel:+380506145017), or [+ 380 095 194 1040](tel:+380951941040), e- [mail:vshtepa@online.ua](mailto:vshtepa@online.ua)

Cub Scout Pack 3980 KYIV, UKRAINE LOOKING FOR NEW SCOUTS!

2018 KICKOFF AND INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Cub Scouts is for boys in grades 1 through 5 (6 to 10 years old). We focus on having fun and building young boys into leaders! Check the link at <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/CubScouts.aspx> for more details about Cub Scouts.

**The 2018 kickoff meeting will be held
September 17, 3:00 p.m./1500h
Pechersk School International (PSI) in the Cafeteria.
Directions: <https://www.psi.kiev.ua>**

Please RSVP as soon as possible to Todd Wilson at wilson.todd.w@gmail.com with questions.

Camping • Fishing • Hiking • Arts and Crafts • Skits • Service • History • Learning • Safety • Responsibility

IWCK



International Women's Club in Kyiv invites new families in Kyiv to join **Newcomers coffee meetings** to learn about life in Ukraine and to share experience with our members:

Sept. 12 - from 9.30-12.00 at **Organic Café** near Golden Gate

Sept. 14 - from 9.30-12.00 at **Organice Café** near Golden Gate

Sept. 18 - from 9.30-12.00 **First General meeting** at **Bel Etage Café**, Shota Rustaveli st., 16A, where you can learn more about our activities such as interest groups (baby group, mah jong, ski club, art classes, health, flower, vyshivanka workshops) and charity projects.

For more information, please contact:
coordinator@iwck.org
or hospitality@iwck.org



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Informational meeting and potluck Lunch to be held Saturday, September 9, at 10:00 at the Reynolds' home. Parents and boys should come together. Email Ryan ryanlds@gmail.com or AmyLyn Reynolds amylynr@gmail.com for address and directions.