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Virtual Learning Art Exhibiton

Superintendent's Message

KAS Annual General Meeting

May 1, 2019

Venue: KAS Quad

Time: 5:00 pm

Agenda:

Handout of board election ballots to eligible voters before the Welcome. Parents must have paid all school fees and there is no proxy voting. After voting,

1. Welcome – Superintendent

2. Board President – Mohamed Omer

3. Candidate Speeches

Salma Moustafa

Eman Ali

Mohamed Suleiman

Jimmy Nadapdap

Kivan Arifioglu

4. Treasurer's Report - Mubarak Ibrahim

5. Announcement of Board Election Results

Board Candidates For Election

Parents elected to the Board serve for a two year term. In order to be a candidate a parent must have at least one child enrolled at KAS and all school fees must be paid. Candidates for this year:

Dr. Salma Mustafa

I would like to serve on the school board to share my humble experience as a parent who values education and volunteerism. I think I have decent communication and problem solving skills which I believe I got from interacting with people globally. I was so fortunate to have that experience. I can see the big picture and I do respect others opinions. I am a physician by profession. I graduated from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Khartoum. I practiced medicine in Sudan, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and United States of America. I still work as a flex locum during summer in Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, PA. I am married and am a parent of four children. My youngest child is a 9th grader at KAS. My husband and older kids live in the USA. I have volunteered since I was a student in medical school. I was a member of the Sudanese Medical association. I was a volunteer in schools of my children in the USA. I volunteered for the Boy Scouts of America in Missouri. I am one of the founders of university of Khartoum Alumni in the USA. I am the secretary of Khider Ali Mustafa philanthropic organization which is a family philanthropic organization promoting health and education in Sudan. I am an active member of the KAS PTA.

Eman Ali Hag Hamid

I am hard working and enthusiastic professional with (17) years' experience in Advance Marketing, Public relations services and Management. My mother tongue is Arabic and I have a Bachelor of Science degree in English Language. I am a member in the "Babiker Badri Association" Sudan – Umderman. I received a certificate of recognition in media from Ahfad

university.

Jimmy Nadapdap

I have been working for World Vision for eighteen years, starting as a commodity food aid officer in 1998 in the Indonesia Country Office. Since then, I have worked on numerous projects and responses both in and outside Indonesia in a number diverse situational contexts including Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, India, Iraq, Mauritania, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, the Solomon Islands, Syria-Turkey and Thailand. However, my most memorable experience was as one of the first staff to enter after the Indian Ocean Tsunami in 2004, when I served as the Rapid Response Team leader in World Vision's largest-ever response. I have a MBA in Business Administration and a Bachelor of Science in Economics. I have a daughter attending KAS.

Mohamed Omer Suleiman

I presently have a daughter in high school and a son in middle school attending KAS.

Schooling

Lahore American School (LAS), Pakistan	1974-1978
International School of Islamabad, Pakistan	1978-1983
Schutz American School Alexandria, Egypt	1983-1986
Commercial Pilot Licence (Tehran)	1992

Professional Life

Established Agricultural Trade works	1992
Established Suleiman Poultry Farm	1994
Established Sorghum Agricultural plantations	1997
Established Detasi Company Ltd	1999
Designed and managed a community Development Agricultural project for planting 23,000 feddans for over 3,000 families for Talisman energy Community Devpt program South Kordofan State	2001-2006
Established First Poultry farm South Sudan Rubkona, unity State	2002
Associations	
Khartoum American School board member	2009-2019
Sudanese Veterinary council	2017-to date
Sudanese Poultry Union	2015-to date

Ahmet Kivan Arifioglu

I have a Master's Degree in Management Engineering and a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Work Experience

SEMI Int'l Trading FZE - B.Development Coordinator (2017-present) GE Power Services (Thermal Power) - Customer Service Leader (2017) GE Renewables (Hydro Power) - Project Director (2015-2017) Alstom Renewables (Hydro Power) - Project Director (2008-2015) Alstom Hydro Power - Project Manager (2007-2008) Alstom-VA TECH Hydro Power - Site Manager (2002-2006) Siemens Business Services – Personal Assistant (2000-2001) Istanbul Technical University – Research Assistant (1998-2000) Gurmen Muhendislik Ltd.Sti. – Mechanical Engineer (1997-1998)

I have a daughter attending KAS

Steve Alexander
KAS Superintendent

A Message from the Early Childhood & Elementary Principal

Dear KAS Family,

Happy Thursday Everyone!

Wow!

It's been weeks, that have seemed more like months, since our last Newsletter. It's impossible to put into words the summation of the past two weeks except to say, historic.

Fortunately for everyone in our KAS family, our teachers were able to be in constant communication with our students through Classe during the past two weeks. The virtual school days went very well. Our attendance was more than 60 percent over all. Some rooms had nearly 100 percent participation. Of those students logging in, many put forth very good effort and benefitted immensely from each day's activities. Of course, there is no replacement for the face-to-face interaction that happens when the children are at school, on campus. How can an electronic device convey love, empathy and compassion like a human being can? It cannot. We are still very much in need of other humans and I hope it always stays that way. In this world, the people who are isolated and alone are those that need our help the most.

Our MAP testing process is nearly complete. The students have been doing a great job with this testing. They have shown so much progress since the beginning of the school year. Myself and all of our teachers are so proud of the accomplishments of each and every student.

The after-school club program will end on Wednesday May 1st. There will be karate and gymnastic skills exhibitions taking place on that day. Thank you for allowing your child to participate in the after-school club program this year.

As I mentioned in our first Enews of this year, and the one last month too, empathy and compassion are crucial qualities that all of us must have. In addition to our formal daily curriculum, every staff member teaches the students about the importance of community, citizenship and character. We will continue to emphasize these at KAS till the last day of school.

Third quarter progress reports have been available for inspection on line. Please let us know if you cannot access your child's progress report and we will make it available to you as quickly as we are able to.

Don't forget that there is no school, real or virtual, on Sunday and Monday of next week due to the holidays.

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

Take care,

Joe Kaminski
Early Childhood & Elementary Principal

Arabic Class Who won the prize?



Dear KAS parents, teachers and students,

In Arabic class we have read many books from a collection called graded reading 2. We chose our favorite book, "Who Won the Prize?" and decided to act it out on the 9th of May, at the morning assembly. We have been practicing for a long time and hope you enjoy it. We learned many things from the story, one of which was why you should always work before you play. Hanien will be the narrator, Aliek the teacher, Rowah will play a little girl, and Dana, Tarig, and Aya are the students. Everyone is so excited to perform at the May 9th, 2019 assembly event. We hope you enjoy the play. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Ismail Adani
Arabic Teacher

Math Counts

This year the middle school students of Khartoum American School had the opportunity to compete in the American Math Counts Competition. This is a live, worldwide math competition that builds problem-solving skills and fosters achievement through four levels of fun, in-person “bee” style contests. Every American school from anywhere in the world was invited to participate.

Students practiced for this competition during Quarter 2 Exploratory. For nearly 3 months students worked on improving math speed and accuracy, mathematical reasoning, and problem-solving through individual, partner and group games and activities.

When I planned this exploratory I was hoping for 6, maybe 8 interested students. I ended up with 18 students of varying abilities. All had one thing in common. They wanted to improve their math skills and test them against “the world.” Like any competition or sport, the more you practice the better you get. I had many dedicated students who spent hours of their own time and worked hard, challenging themselves.

Special accolades go to the team of Su Yin and Akane Kitayama who placed in the top 10 teams of American schools in Africa. The grade 7 team of Shannon Im, Yoonseo Im, Caspia Nadapdap, and Akshay Kumar also place in the top 50%. Very, very impressive for first time participants. I believe everyone who participated came away with an appreciation for math, improved skills and more confidence.

Thanks to Mr. Alexander for helping make this opportunity available to our students. It was a great learning event for myself and for all of the participants. Perhaps next year will see even more who are willing to challenge themselves in the fun and cooperative Math Counts Competition.

Brian Baldwin
MS Mathematics Teacher



ANNOUNCEMENT

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Saying of the Week



To **Plug A song** or **Book** is to promote it and make as many people aware of it as possible. In the early part of the 20th century Radio Normandie was one of the first independent stations and was broadcast from northern France. Radio Normandie was also the first commercial radio station to transmit to England during the 1930s and one of their sources of income was to receive payments to play records and promote them throughout the country. The station’s founder and main broadcaster was a Captain Leonard Plugge, which was probably how the phrase originated.

Minette van der Bijl
High School English Department