

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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February

29: PTO Bingo Night

29: Kyiv Youth Forum

March

2-6: Dr. Seuss Week

3: Quintile 4 Begins

9: International Women's Day (No School)

11: Elementary Basketball Tournament @ PSI

14: Varisty Basketball Tournament at KIS

17: Staff Appreciation Day

20: IB Art Exhibition

21: Shakespeare Competition

21: HS Table Tennis Tournament

23: PLC Meeting

23: Andrew Hallam, Investment Author and Speaker

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2020-21 Scholarships

In order to promote diversity as well as academic excellence, Kyiv International School offers Academic Scholarships to Ukrainian children and a limited number of foreign nationals who might otherwise not have the chance to attend Kyiv International School. If you are interested in applying our scholarship application window will be open from March 1-22. To apply for a scholarship for the 2020-21 school year go to:

> [KIS WEBSITE](#) <

and fill out the scholarship application form located under the "Admissions" tab"

> [FILL OUT THE FORM](#) <

KYIV YOUTH FORUM

★ **CONFRONTING UNCERTAINTIES** ★

A NON-PROFIT EVENT AIMED AT SPREADING IDEAS VIA A SPEAKER FORUM, AS WELL AS PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT, CATERING AND RECEPTION.

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

SVYATOSHINSKIY PROVULOK 3A

FEBRUARY 29, 2020

STARTS AT 10:00 AM

TO PAY FOR RESERVED TICKET BE THERE AT 9:30 AM

100 UAH

FOR STUDENTS / CHILDREN

200 UAH

FOR ADULTS

CAN BE RESERVED ON THE ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM
PAID ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT
BOUGHT AT THE RECEPTION

INSTAGRAM

@KYIVYOUTHFORUM

The 5th Annual All School Invitational

Shakespeare Competition

Where: Kyiv International School

When: Saturday March 21st

Deadline for entry March 02nd

Contact: Leanne Hume

leanne-hume@kyiv.qsi.org

ALL WELCOME



IMPORTANT HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATES



LUKE WOODRUFF

Dear Parents,

I apologize for all of the recent updates regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19). As a follow up to my email on Monday, I would like to provide further clarification concerning our communities international travel and how this impacts the school. We are a large community with many who travel all over the world. I am extremely grateful for the families who have already taken specific actions regarding their travel in consideration of our community and this situation.

Though the school is using a variety of resources to monitor the spread of COVID-19, we are using [Public Health England](#) to identify certain countries and regions of concern. **KIS asks that if, at any time, you have visited a region from the updated list (within the last two weeks), please do not come to school for 14 days after your last contact with those countries. If you have visitors who have come from these regions, we also ask you to self-isolate.**

The current **Category 1** list is as follows:

- China - Wuhan City and Hubei Province
- Republic of Korea - Daegu or Cheongdo
- Iran
- Italy - any town under containment

If this affects you, please notify the school of the reason for the absence. Again, we appreciate the proactive communication we have received from parents thus far. Teachers will work with students who require any distant learning assistance, during this time.

Anyone who has traveled to the following **Category 2** destinations should not undertake any special measures, but should seek medical attention if symptoms appear.

- China: Outside of Hubei Province
- South Korea
- Japan
- Northern Italy
- Others: Myanmar, Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau

KIS is also asking visitors to the school regarding their recent travels, in order to take the same precautionary measures.

We continue to be grateful for your support, understanding, and cooperation.

Warm regards,

Luke Woodruff
Director

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CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE **19**

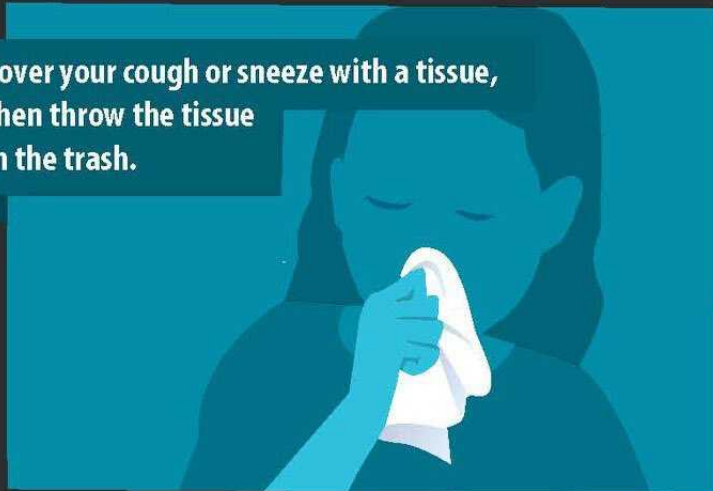
STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick.



Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.



Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.



Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.



Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.



Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

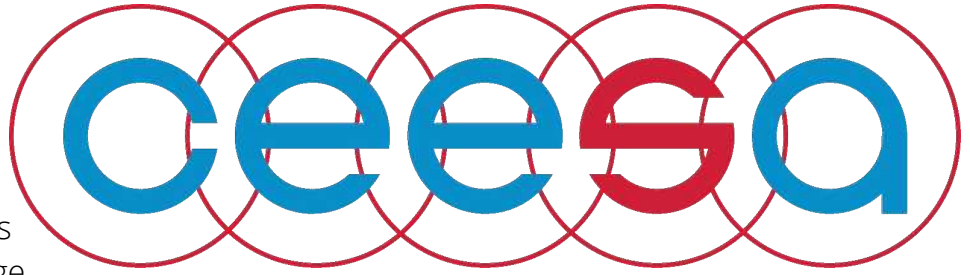


For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19

CEESA STUDENT EVENTS CANCELED THROUGH MAY 1

Dear Parents,

Due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, CEESA (Central and Eastern European Sports Association) has suspended ALL extra-curricular events in which students will be mixing in large groups outside of their community up until May 1st.



In accordance with this decision, we will be cancelling all upcoming overseas student travel to and from KIS.

We understand that the decision to cancel these competitions has not been easy, as these are valuable student experiences that impact our students in many positive ways.

However, during this fluid situation, it is important for us to consider the safety and well-being of our community.

CEESA Travel and Hosting

KIS will not be participating in travel to or hosting the following CEESA events:

- MS Boys Basketball (Bucharest)
- Swimming (Bratislava)
- MS Girls Basketball (Host)
- HS Girls Basketball (Riga)
- HS Boys Basketball (Istanbul)
- GIN Conference (Warsaw)
- Hackathon (Minsk)
- HS Math Counts (Albania)
- MS Knowledge Bowl (Estonia)
- MS MUN (Kyiv)

KIS will take on any costs associated with these cancellations and communicate directly with families concerning any refunds.

At this time, we will continue with local competitions, activities, field trips, and community events.

We regret that the current situation has impacted these activities and events, but appreciate your understanding. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact our Athletic and Activities Director, Rachel Geary.

Sincerely,
Luke Woodruff
Director

**Application and
Reapplication deadline
March 31, 2020**

**Admissions
OPEN**



Kyiv International School

**Now accepting admissions
applications and reapplications
for 2020-21**



Reapplication Process & Window

Dear Parents,

It is already that time to start thinking about the 2020-2021 school year. We ask, that if you know your plans for next year, that you fill out a reapplication form. This allows us to begin planning for enrolment and new admissions.

REAPPLICATION

In order to complete this process, you will need to do the following:

1. **Login** to your  **Family Profile** in Moodle (<http://study.kis.net.ua/>)

2. **Select** your intention for enrollment

Click on “Reapply” if you wish to re-enroll your children for the next school year.

Click on “Withdraw” to indicate that your child is withdrawing.



If we don't receive the re-application by the last date, we will assume you are withdrawing and we will begin withdrawal procedure. Classes may fill to capacity if you delay and your child may lose his/her place. If you have a younger sibling you wish to apply to KIS, please submit the on-line application. If you have problems logging in, please e-mail moodlehelp@ukr.qsi.org.

The reapplication deadline is March 31st

3. AGREEMENTS AND CONSENT

Before you review your information, you will notice three important forms which you will need to read and give consent:

1. Student Expectations
2. Code of Conduct (child protection)
3. Privacy Notice and Consent (GDPR)

4. **Review the provided information**, correct it if necessary, and save the corrected re-application.

Thank you for helping us to make preparations for next school year.

Kyiv Intentional School Administration

Dr. Seuss Week

March 2nd-6th



In celebration of the great children's book author, Dr. Seuss, children are invited to "dress up" according to different "silly Dr. Seuss" themes all next week! Please refer to the schedule below to see what we will be wearing each day!

Mon--"silly socks" – mismatched silly socks day

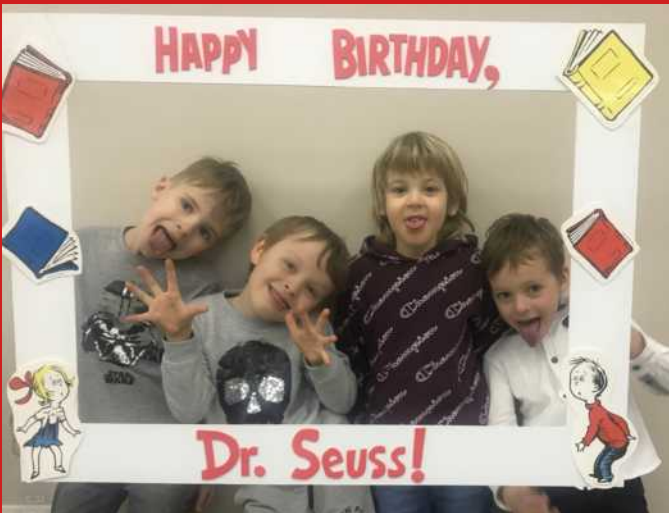
Tues--"crazy hat or hair"

Wed--"Wacky Wednesday"- Get Wacky! Wear your clothes inside out, backwards or mismatched?

Thurs--"stripes" – wear anything with stripes

Fri--"favorite book character"

It's going to be a super silly Dr. Seuss week! Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions!



CREATIVE SEUSS CELEBRATIONS IN THE 5YO CLASSES *By Gabriela Thompson*

All of the 5-year-olds are preparing for some exciting activities next week in order to celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday that is on March 2nd. He is a beloved children's author, and in honor of him, we will be reading lots of Dr. Seuss stories, making crafts, and having fun with rhymes. Our goal is for every child to be engaged in learning, listening, reading, and having fun throughout our morning Literacy sessions. The students will even be dressing in exciting ways that help bring to reality the Dr. Seuss stories that they read!





BUDDING AUTHORS

In fall Safiya from 10 B showed an independent endeavor and published the first part from her series 'The Adventures of Zelda' in the library. Soon the second part followed. At the moment Safiya is editing her third part and it's coming out soon. This endeavor inspired other elementary students who also decided to publish some of their books in the library.

Those students are:

- Tisha from 10 D
- Rita, Zoya, and Angelina from 9 R
- Nelia from 9 B
- Adelia from 9 F.

Here is an interview with Safiya.

How long did it take you to write 'The Adventures of Zelda'?

-I told my mom the first story and she typed it down for me. And then it took me 2-3 months to write the other parts.

Who was your first audience?

-My parents. They liked my stories and made the first corrections.

Who suggested publishing your books at school?

-My classmate Arkady. He knew it is possible to publish books in the library.

What advice can you give other students who also want to publish their books?

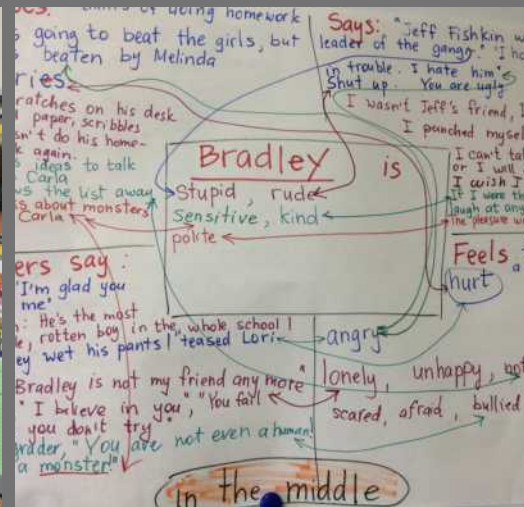
-Take your time editing and correcting your stories.

What are your plans for the future?

-I will continue writing books. Also I would like to be an actress. When I move to the USA next year, I will take a drama class there.



INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM



AUTHOR STUDY UNIT

Once IE students reach the level of English language proficiency when they can comprehend and enjoy the “real” literature, their literacy class becomes the kind of lounging-in-a-beanbag-enjoying-a-nice-book reading time.

That is how 8-9 IE Class looks while working on our Author Study Unit.

We decided to start with Doreen Cronin, Ezra J. Keats, Kevin Henkes, and Laura Numeroff's picture books and fell in love with them.

For our read aloud we had the book by Louis Sachar's "There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom".

Both the students and the teacher loved that time witnessing and discussing how Bradley Chalkers was changing through the story.

Now the students' interests vary from Mary Pope Osborne's Magic Tree House books to Louis Sachar's Marvin Redpost series and Roald Dahl's Fantastic Mr. Fox and The Witches.

The students are enjoying every minute of their reading time.



8B AND 8D WATER MUSEUM FIELD TRIP





FRENCH, GERMAN AND SPANISH EXTERNAL EXAMS

The spring is here, and the registration for DELF, DELE and Goethe Certificates is opening. It's a great possibility to evaluate your knowledge in these 3 languages and to receive an official document recognized around the world. The levels are based on the international scale and correspond to the following QSI courses:

Elementary courses:	Secondary courses	Levels:
Intro II, Inter I	Secondary I	A1
Inter I, Advanced I	Secondary II, IB Ab initio	A2
Advanced II	Secondary III, IV	B1
	Secondary IV, AP, IB Lang.B	B2

If you are not sure, ask your LOE teacher or LOE Coordinator (sergey-berezhny@kyiv.qsi.org), they will give you their recommendations.

DELF is a certification of French language abilities for non-native speakers. There are two versions for schools – DELF Prim and DELF Junior. DELF Prim is designated for Elementary/MS students from 7 to 12 y.o. and offers only two levels: A1 and A2. MS/HS students (12 to 17 y.o.), willing to take A1/A2 and B1/B2 exams, should be registered for DELF Junior. The upper levels (C1 and C2), or DALF, are offered separately in the examination sessions for adults (Tout public).

This year, DELF Prim exams will be organized in May (A1 - 14 May, A2 - 15 May). The registration deadline is next Thursday, March 5th. If you need DELF Junior, you have time till the end of March to be registered, and you will take your exam in April (A1/A2 - 2 April, B1/B2 - 3 April).

The examination fees didn't change (in comparison with the last year): A1/A2 - 900 hryvnas, B1 - 1100 UAH and B2 - 1300 UAH. In order to be a part of K.I.S group, you should pay at the school reception one day before the deadline (**DELF Prim - 4 March, DELF Junior - 30 March**) and we will take care of your registration. You can also be registered individually at the French Institute, 84 Gonchara Str.

Goethe Certificates (German)

Level	Date of exam	Fees	Registration
A1 Fit	14 May	1600 UAH	15 April
A2 Fit	13 May	2700 UAH	5 April
B1	23 April	4000 UAH	15 March
B2	21 April	4500 UAH	15 March

As well as for DELF, the fees should be paid at the reception, one day before the registration deadline.

DELE (Spanish) exams will take place on the 15th and 16th of May. The candidates must enroll personally at the Embassy of Spain (Khoryva street, 46; Monday through Friday from 9.00 till 14.00). The registration closes on the 13th of March. For more information and payment details, contact Olga Petryna (room 1309, olga-petryna@kyiv.qsi.org).

WEEK WITHOUT WALLS

WEEK WITHOUT WALLS
12 YEAR OLD PROGRAM

CAMP MAXIMUM

Monday, May 25 to Thursday, May 28.

Cost - \$150



Registration begins on Monday, March 2, 2020

[QSI.ORG/KYIV/WEEK-WITHOUT-WALLS](https://qsi.org/kyiv/week-without-walls)

SECONDARY STUDENT LIFE

HS VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE



SECONDARY STUDENT LIFE

HS VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE



VARISTY BASKETBALL TRIP TO ISRAEL



VARISTY BASKETBALL TRIP TO ISRAEL



VARISTY BASKETBALL TRIP TO ISRAEL



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VARISTY BASKETBALL TRIP TO ISRAEL



SECSTUCO MONTH OF TOLERANCE 2020 "EVERY BODY IS BEAUTIFUL"

Next week, SecStuCo's annual Month of Tolerance will begin at KIS. Organized largely by Sec IV Representative Polly Chesnokova and former Sec II Rep / current Sec III student Srishti Gummaraju, the month of awareness-raising and art activism will center on the theme of 'Every Body is Beautiful.' The two student leaders shared their thoughts on the upcoming activities as they hurried from their Block 4 class to an after school rehearsal for the upcoming production of Body Body.

What do you know about the history of the SecStuCo Month of Tolerance?

Srishti Gummaraju: For the past two years we've been focusing on topics that we felt are relevant in our school. Last year, we talked about gender inequality and issues like that. The year before, we talked about xenophobia and racism. This is a tradition that we hope to continue.

Polly Chesnokova: This year, we decided to do something related to body image.

What is the Month of Tolerance? How does it work?

SG: It's four weeks where StuCo creates activities and ways of interacting with high school, middle school and elementary school to raise awareness about an issue.

PC: Each week is going to be devoted to a topic. What's Healthy? What's Beautiful? What do You Carry? And What's Your Personal Brand?



What should KIS students expect?

PC: It's going to be a lot of fun! Interesting guests are coming. Lots of valuable sources of information. And I also would say that it's a great month of self-exploration.

SG: There's also lots of opportunities for students to actually participate and learn for themselves how they feel about these issues.

PC: And what's unique about this one is the whole school is going to be involved.

And there's an opportunity for staff and parents to participate as well?

SG: That's right! Each week, we'll have questions in which the staff and parents can share their thoughts about the issues as well.

What aspects of the planning are you most proud of?

PC: I guess the speakers we're inviting. They're going to be very interesting. Also the collaboration between all of the levels between the school. The DI's have been an immense help, supporting us.

SecStuCo will provide updates via daily announcements. You can also get information about the Month of Tolerance -- Every Body is Beautiful in the Kozak Connect newsletter, on KIS Social Media, the SecStuCo Instagram.

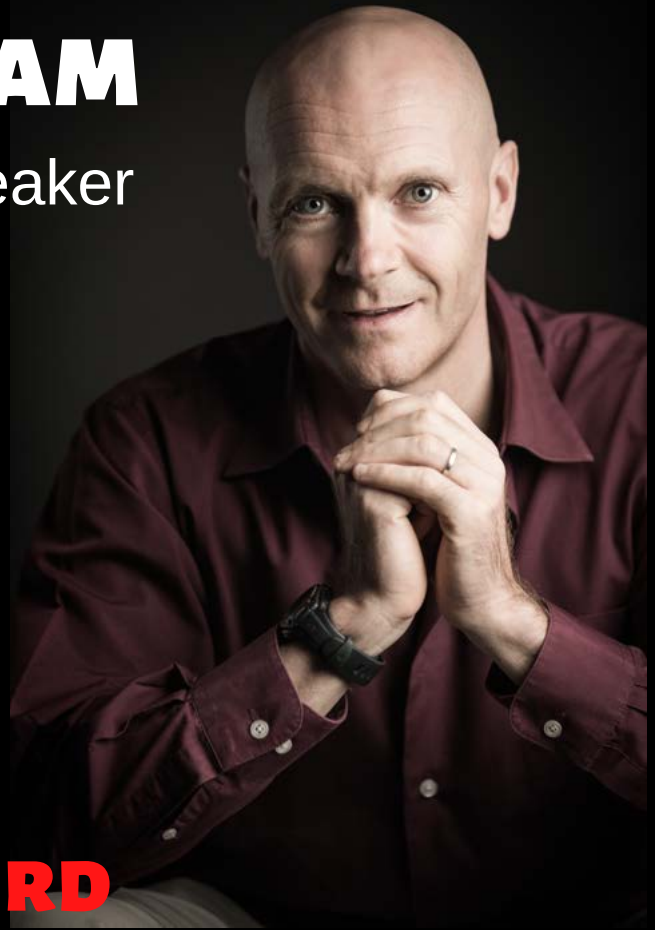
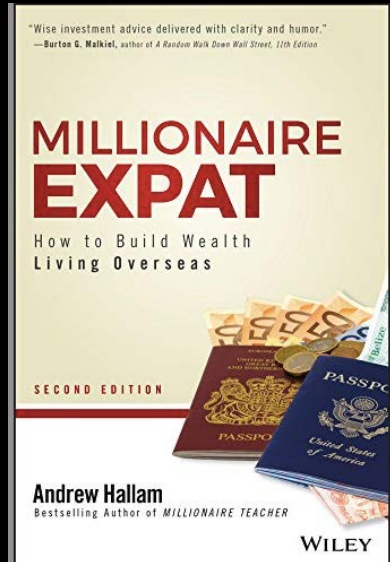


SecStuCo Co-Advisor Dr. Sunitha, Sec IV Rep Polly Chosnokova, and Secondary III Student Srishti Gummaraju meet with Secondary Director of Instruction Scott Legan regarding the upcoming Month of Tolerance 2020 'Every Body is Beautiful.'

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ANDREW HALLAM

Investment Author and Speaker



MONDAY, MARCH 23RD

ANDREW HALLAM: Author, Journalist and Financial Wellness Coach

Andrew Hallam is one of the world's best-known investment speakers on Financial Independence. Over the past 16 years, he has given hundreds of talks in more than 20 different countries and has been investing in the stock market for 30 years.

Andrew is the international bestselling author of ***Millionaire Teacher*** (Wiley 2011, 2017) and ***Millionaire Expat*** (Wiley 2018). Profiled on such media as **CNBC**, and The Wall Street Journal, he's also the first person to have a #1 selling finance book on Amazon USA, Amazon Canada and Amazon UAE. He has written columns for The Globe and Mail, Canadian Business, MoneySense, Internaxx and ***AssetBuilder***.

Using humour, an engaging speaking style, and academic evidence, Andrew shows how people can turn regular, consistent savings into high, long-term profits. Andrew is NOT a financial advisor. He is not selling any product. He is a former international schoolteacher and expert in expat investing who addresses the unique needs of those living overseas and he will educate you so that you can cut through the minefield of financial advice from salespeople.

Middle School and Secondary Workshops on Having a Healthy Money Philosophy and Success

Andrew will be doing workshops throughout the day with middle school and secondary students.

After School Adult Session on Financial Freedom and Smart Investing

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All Day, Tuesday, March 17, Lobby Coffee Area

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

The entire KIS family invites you to help show appreciation for the support staff at KIS by donating items for the appreciation celebration.



**NON-PERISHABLE
ITEMS: DROP OFF
NOW-MARCH 13**



**PERISHABLE ITEMS:
DROP OFF ON
MARCH 16-17**



**CASH DONATIONS
ARE ACCEPTED AT
RECEPTION**

We are looking for donations of:

• Drinks: Coffee, Tea, Juice • Desserts: Candies, Chocolates, Cookies • Breakfast Finger Foods • Lunch Finger Foods • Fruit Plates • Vegetable Plates • Cheese Plates • Plates, Cups, Napkins

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Who are the KIS support staff?

Business Office, Cafeteria, Housekeepers, Housing, Lawyers, Maintenance, Reception, Security, Transportation, and Workshop.

Email John R. Durham if you have any questions:

john-durham@kyiv.qsi.org

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THE YEAR AT A GLANCE



KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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First Day of Each Term
First Day of School - August 22nd
 Term 1: 22 Aug - 13 Dec
 Term 2: 8 Jan - 27 Mar
 Term 3: 30 Mar - 19 June
Last Day of School - June 19

First day of Quintile
 Quintile 1: 22 Aug - 11 Oct
 Quintile 2: 21 Oct - 11 Dec
 Quintile 3: 12 Dec - 2 Mar
 Quintile 4: 3 Mar - 22 Apr
 Quintile 5: 23 Apr - 19 June

School Holidays
26 Aug - Independence Day
14-18 Oct - Fall Break
16 Dec - 7 Jan - Winter Break
17-21 Feb - Ski Week
9 Mar - Int'l. Women's Day
27 Apr - 1 May - Easter/Labor Day
11 May - Victory Day