

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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March

3: Quintile 4 Begins
9: International Women's Day (No School)
14: Varsity Girls Basketball Tournament
17: Staff Appreciation Day
20: IB Art Exhibition
21: Shakespeare Competition
21: HS Table Tennis Tournament
23: Andrew Hallam, Investment Author
24-25: German School Exchange
27: Diversity Summit

April

2: DELF Exams
2-3: Drama II Show
2-4: MS MUN
2-4: Hackathon
6-10: Elementary Literacy Week

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Sports at KIS

Signups for Spring Sports is now open!

The form is available via parent's Moodle Account.
If you are already signed up you do not need to sign up again.

Signups close on March 13 and practices begin the week of March 16th.

JV Boys Basketball

Final Game on March 11 at 5pm.

Preschool & Elementary Weekend Activities

**Basketball, Gymnastics
Parkour and Soccer**

Cancelled due to scheduling conflicts and will resume on March 21.

Scholarship Applications

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 KIS.

If you are interested in applying a scholarship, please note that the application window will be open until March 22, 2020.

To apply for a scholarship for the 2020-21 school year go to qsi.org/kyiv/scholarship and fill out the scholarship application form.



School Fees Due

Please be kindly reminded that the Due Date for **Term 3** school fees is **March 27th**.

We ask you to take care of outstanding balances at your earliest convenience.

Please contact Business Office with questions:
businessoffice@kyiv.qsi.org
finance@kyiv.qsi.org

<http://kyiv.qsi.org/>

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Dear KIS community,

LUKE WOODRUFF

Thank you for your patience these past couple of days, as we began to do temperature checks. I know that it may feel a little extreme to be taking temperatures and it is not a perfect system, so we really appreciate the smiles and laughter while we do this.

The other morning, I was driving to school with my 5 year-old son and started to listen to a TED Talks Daily concerning the Coronavirus.

As soon as my son heard the word "Coronavirus" he said, "Aw man...more about the coronavirus...geesh."

I know it has been on everyone's minds and part of everyone's conversations. Administrators and School Counselors met with students this past week to talk about everything and answer questions. Here is an [age appropriate comic from NPR](#) exploring the new coronavirus that you might want to share with your children.

Next week, in cooperation with the US Embassy, we plan to have the CDC Director come talk to students and answer any questions. This will be a good opportunity to provide factual information and a level of expertise outside of our own.

I know we are keeping you regularly updated on things, but I hope you are not quite as exhausted as my son with it all.

As always, we really do appreciate all of your support.

Have a great long weekend and Happy International Women's Day!

Luke Woodruff,
Director

Happy

**INTERNATIONAL
WOMEN'S DAY**

2020



Reminder: No School on Monday, March 9

HEALTH AND SAFETY

COVID 19
CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

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

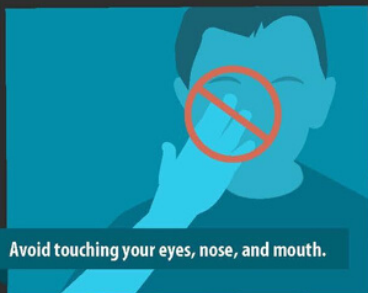
Avoid close contact with people who are sick.



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



Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.



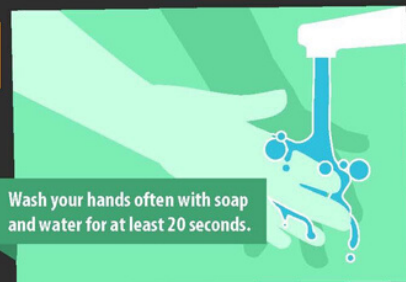
Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.



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

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COVID-19

Campus Preparedness

We ask you to monitor qsi.org/kyiv/covid-19-guidelines for the most up to date information regarding Kyiv International School and our proactive response to the COVID-19.

We have a crisis management team in place and we have meetings as the situation is updated and changes.

We will continue to consult with medical experts, the US Embassy, and other schools within the CEESA region and QSI.



On Wednesday, during Kozak 30, middle and secondary school students gathered in the auditorium so that administrators and counselors could share information about what KIS is doing to in response to the ongoing Coronavirus situation and to answer any questions students had.

**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

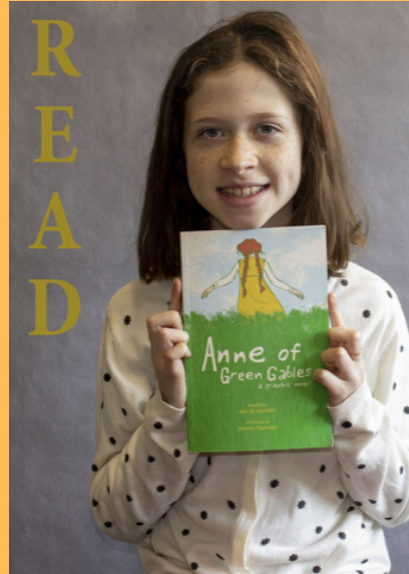
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MR. RECH'S 9 YEAR OLD CLASS

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DR. SEUSS CELEBRATION

We have celebrated Dr. Seuss's 116th Birthday!

The preparations started early, two weeks in advance, with learning interesting facts about his childhood and his career as an author.

Elementary students learned so well that they participated in contests about Dr. Seuss life and books.

Was he really a doctor? How many books did he write?
What is the main idea of the book 'The Lorax'?

We had fun all along with 'A Quiz From Dr. Seuss', 'Guess How Many Fish Are In A Jar' crackers estimation, and a grand celebration with the contests in the auditorium.

Many participants won treats and special pencils.

And someone lucky brought a jar of fish crackers home!



INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM



VISIBLE THINKING

The Advanced Middle School IE class continues establishing the patterns of Visible Thinking in the classroom. We love "Chalk Talk" the most so far, because it is important for all of us to ensure that we make room for all voices and invite everyone into learning.

Today during our "Talk" we shared the "themes" we found in the "Gift of the Magi" by O. Henry, the story of a wonderful but poor couple that sacrifice the most precious they've had to give each other a present for Christmas.

The Theme of Commitment from Agata "The couple showed commitment to each other when they were looking for the perfect gift and were ready to do anything just to see each other smile and enjoy that Christmas Eve"

The Theme of Giving from Artele "Both Jim and Della felt it was important to give gifts to each other to express their love"

The Theme of Sacrifice from Masaki "They've sacrificed their most important things to buy each other a present"

The Theme of Beauty from Artur "The story shows us that the true beauty is not in the hair or face – it's in your actions"

The Theme of Unconditional Love from Shaikha "The biggest theme in the story is unconditional love because the characters care about each other so much that there is no need to prove to each other their love by giving gifts"

The Theme of Family from Taya "Jim and Della didn't think about the outside factors, they just had true feelings, which were the center of the family"

The Theme of Wisdom from Nargiz "Jim and Della were the wisest because they put each other on the first place. They showed it buy selling their precious possessions to buy each other a gift that shows that they value the most precious thing they have – love for each other. "

The Theme of Identity from Lakis "Della learns that Jim loves her for just being herself, not because of her hair or the Christmas present she buys him"

AWESOME MIDDLE SCHOOLERS RAISE MONEY FOR AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRE RELIEF PROGRAM

Middle Schoolers showed how empathetic KIS students could be, by generously supporting a fundraising program aimed at providing funds for relief of the damage caused by the fires and floods in Australia at the beginning of this year.

Ms Taranec's 11yo Enrichment and Support class drove the fundraising for the Australian Wildlife Conservancy charity, raising \$500 (AUD).

Additionally, Ms Spellman's Middle School student council generously donated the money raised from the raffle prizes, sold at last Friday's fantastic Middle School dance, to the cause.

Thank you to one and all for your kind support!



INFO AND PHOTOS FROM SERGIY (IE)

Russian events in February

On February 13th, the group of students (Rus. Non Native class - 8-9-10 years old) had an amazing field trip to Kyiv Pechersk Lavra. They visited the museum of Microminiature and had an opportunity to meet an author of the exhibition and take photos with him. Afterwards, they went to the museum of Ukrainian Ethnography. It was very interesting!

On February 28th, Russian classes celebrated Maslenitsa. They made pancakes, played different games and watched videos about this holiday. It was fun and yummy!



French, German and Spanish external exams

The registration is in progress. Don't be late!

DELFL (French)

Level	Date of exam	Fees	Registration
A1 Prim	14 May	900 UAH	4 March
A2 Prim	15 May	900 UAH	4 March
A1/A2 Junior	2 April	900 UAH	20 March
B1 Junior	3 April	1100 UAH	20 March
B2 Junior	3April	1300 UAH	20March

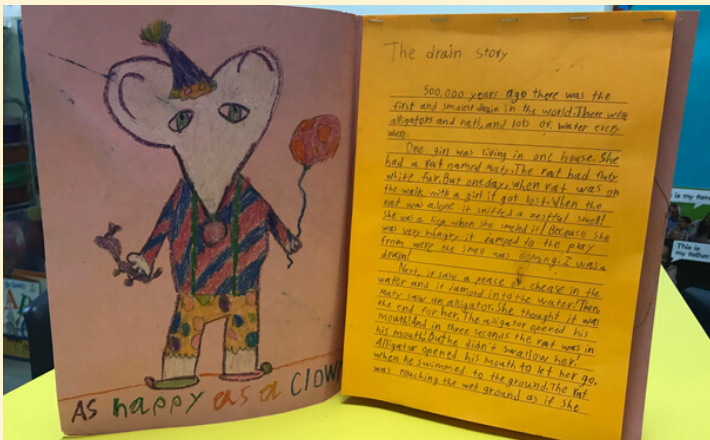
In order to be a part of K.I.S group, you should pay at the school reception one day before the deadline and we will take care of your registration. You can also be registered individually at the French Institute, 84 Gonchara Str.

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).

INTENSIVE ENGLISH



ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

When reaching the higher level of English language proficiency, the students start learning how to make their writing more and more creative, effective, and powerful.

What can help you with this? Figurative language can do.

The IE Support group of students from 8 and 9 year old classes are on the way of improving their writing skills and enriching their narrative writing through using figures of speech, such as similes, metaphors, hyperboles, and idioms.

Using figures of speech is an effective way of communicating an idea that is not easily understood because of its abstract nature or complexity, but it helps readers form mental images and draw readers into the work.

Our students enjoy learning more about figures of speech and making their own ones

SECONDARY SCHOOL

FORENSIC SCIENCE WITH MR. LEISHER



Secondary 1 Physical Science students in Mr. Leisher's Physical Science class were using various pH indicators and logic in a forensic scenario to prevent a crime before it occurred!



UNIVERSITÉ
Concordia
UNIVERSITY

KIS WILL BE HOSTING A VISIT FROM CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY ON 20 MARCH. INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD RESERVE A PLACE AT THE MEETING BY REPLYING TO MS. TEMPEL'S EMAIL INVITATION.

Concordia is among the largest universities in Canada, with 50,000 students, but our class sizes are small, with an undergraduate student-to-professor ratio of 27 to one. As a next-generation university, we champion innovation, looking towards the future. The Times Higher Education named Concordia among the top 100 universities under 50 years old. Our downtown campus is in the heart of Montreal, officially the most popular city in the world among students (QS Best Student City index, 2018). The Economist's Intelligence Unit places Montreal first on the planet for an international education. Concordia offers hundreds of undergraduate programs across four Faculties.

- Faculty of Arts and Science
- Faculty of Fine Arts
- Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science (GCS)
- John Molson School of Business (JMSB)

Our programs are among the top-ranked in the world, with special recognition for engineering, psychology, art and design, communication studies and journalism, linguistics, accounting and finance, and education.



THE QUARTET OF WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS @ KIS

The Quartet of woodwind instruments performed in the KIS Auditorium for the students of upper Elementary and Middle School.

Young teachers from Gliyer's Music Academy came to play music from Baroque, Classical, Romantic and Modern times on flutes, clarinet and bass-clarinet.

As the musicians played, the 9-10 year old students were able to identify the names of the musicians or compositions they had learned about during class, and also had a chance to communicate with the young performers.

Many of the students were able to ponder which instruments that they'd like to play during future music classes.

What a wonderful cultural experience for our KIS students!



On Tuesday March 03 secondary students and teachers from KIS Drama and English classes attended Juliet and Romeo as presented by the National Academic Theatre of Russian Drama at the Lesia Ukrainka Theatre downtown.



Students and teachers alike were blown away by brilliant design choices, fully realised physical gesture and superb acting as they watched this timeless tale tragically unfold on stage.



A huge thank you to those who made the time to attend this performance, and to KIS administration for making it possible for real life experiences like this to happen.



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 C. and former Sec II Rep / current Sec III student Srishti G., 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.



Week 1

March 02-06

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

Srishti: 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: 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.

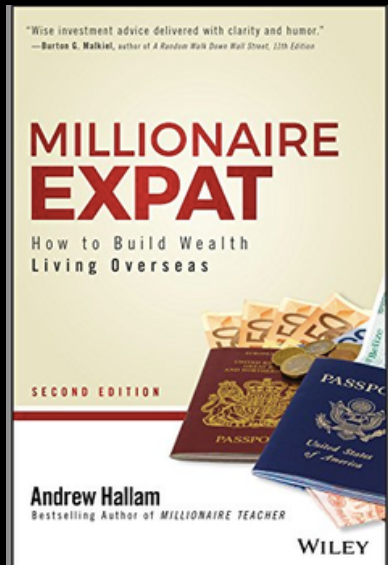


SecStuCo Co-Advisor Dr. Sunitha and class representatives meet with Secondary Director of Instruction Scott Legan regarding the upcoming Month of Tolerance 2020 'Every Body is Beautiful.'

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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

NOTICE BOARD

Organised
during School
Holidays |
Sleep-Away
Camp | Learn
Russian or
Ukrainian | Fun
& Engaging
Activities

THE
LANGUAGE
LAB
PRESENTS

Holiday Language Camp: Expat Kids & Teens edition



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THE CAMP IS LOCATED
JUST 40 KM FROM
KYIV AND
TRANSPORTATION
IS INCLUDED

Make the most
of your family's time in
Ukraine!
Let the Language Lab
help you build globally
minded kids and teens

Our language
camps - in natural
environments - engage
minds and help
develop language
proficiency

JOLLY RANCHER

March 16-20
Selling in the lobby during lunch
25 UAH



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

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

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



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