KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Friday, December 11, 2020

Newsletter Issue #18



Kyiv International School

Director's Message

Friday, December 11, 2020

Dear KIS Families,

Today's layer of ice all over everything made for an interesting arrival to school, but there is something fun about sliding around everywhere.

It is hard to believe that we are just one week away from the Winter Break and finishing our first term.

This next week, we hope that we can finish "Kozak Strong" and enjoy a few celebrations.



As I am sure you are all aware, this week, the Ukrainian government released information concerning the January 8 - 24th quarantine/lockdown. This is in anticipation of the potential spread and gathering that may happen this winter holiday.

Following the released restrictions, Kyiv International School will be taking the following actions between January 8 and January 24:

6-year-olds through Secondary Students - Will Move to Online Learning

KIS will shift to online learning for our 6yo-Secondary classes. Knowing this information gives our teachers time to prepare any necessary resources before students leave for the break.

2-year-olds through 5-year-olds - Will Still Be Permitted on Campus

These restrictions still permit us to have preschool and kindergarten. KIS will plan to still have preschool (2yo-5yo) classes on campus. We have planned a modified transportation service for our bus riders and KFN will offer food services. Those who ride the bus will be receiving an email from our Bus Manager to find out who will plan to attend school and communicate the new pick up times and bus monitor contact information.

Each time we move to online learning, there are always a few tweaks and changes based on your feedback, so please take a look at the updated schedules that will be published on the Health and Safety section on the school website.

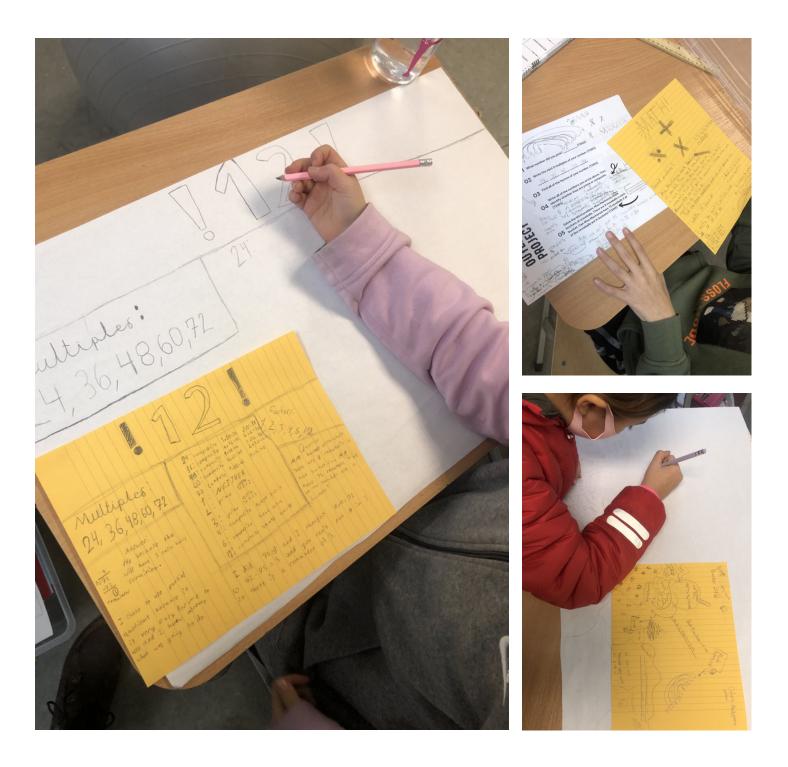
It looks like this weekend might be a slippery one, so be safe!

Sincerely,



Luke Woodruff Director Kyiv International School

Elementary (5-10 year-olds) Online Schedule					
8:30-9:30	Literacy Block – Teacher and Co-teacher support (Breakout rooms possible)				
9:30-10:00	Mathematics –Teacher and Co-teacher support (Breakout room possible)				
10:00-10:30	Break- off Zoom- All ages				
10:35-11:05	Cultural Studies/Science –Co-teacher- Teacher supports				
11:05-11:35	Lunch & Break				
11:35-14:50	Specials Begin- Class specific- Teacher provides schedule with times for specific classes!				



Middle School & Secondary Online Schedule						
MORNING - SYNCHRONOUS TIME						
8:30 – 9:20 Block 1						
9:30 - 10:20	Block 2					
10:30 -11:20	Block 3					
11:30 -12:20	Block 4					
AFTERNOON- ASYNCHRONOUS TIME						
13:30-14:30	Independent Work/ Office Hours for Block 1 & 2					
14:35-15:35	Independent Work/ Office Hours for Block 3 & 4					

What does Synchronous mean?

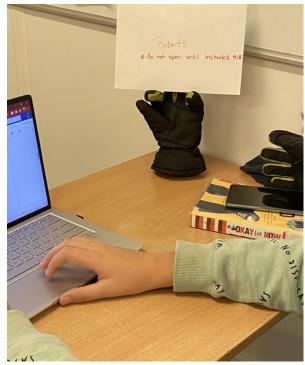
This is the time the entire class receives instruction from the teacher. You are expected to always attend.

What does Independent Work/Office Hours mean?

Office Hours are designed to provide extra time for teachers to support student learning. It is also a time for students to complete assignments.

Teachers will let students know if they must attend office hours. However, teachers will also have their Zoom rooms open so students can drop in to ask questions as they work on assignments independently.

If a MS/HS teacher has elementary classes (some IE and LOE teachers), they may be teaching in the afternoon during the designated office hours. However, if may be possible for students to attend the other office hours session. If you are unsure about office hours, ask your teacher.



	December				January					
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7 (a)	8 (b)	9 (a)	10 (b)	11 (b)	4	5	6	7	8	
14 (a)	15 (b)	16 (a)	17 (b)	18 (a)	11 (a)	12 (b)	13 (a)	14 (b)	15 (b)	
21	22	23	24	25	18 (a)	19 (b)	20 (a)	21 (b)	22	
28	29	30	31		25 (a)	26 (b)	27 (a)	28 (b)	29 (a)	

Red/Black and A/B Group Schedule

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



DECEMBER 2020

Wednesday 16: Preschool/Elementary PTO Zoom Call
Thursday 17: Winter Performances and PTO Celebration
Thursday 17: Room Room Coffee Chat
Friday 18: Term 2 School Fees Due
Monday 20 - January 7: Winter Break - No School

JANUARY 2021

Monday 9 - January 24: Online Learning for 6 yo classes to Secondary IV.



School Fees

Please be kindly reminded that the Due Date for **Term 1** school fees was August 28th (**Term 2**: December 18th, 2020 and **Term 3**: April 2nd, 2021).

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

Please contact Business Office in case you have any questions or concerns: **businessoffice@kyiv.qsi.org**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Contact PTO Elementary Liaison at +380(50)353-89-56 with any questions or to sign up to volunteer or contribute to the Zoom Breakout Rooms ideas for this event!

Calendar of Events



US Marines and NHS in collaboration with the PTO

December 7th - December 18th

Helping Kids @ The Father's House Orphanage

Please Bring a Brand New Toy Unwrapped or Kids Brand New Clothes with a tag to the Following Stations:

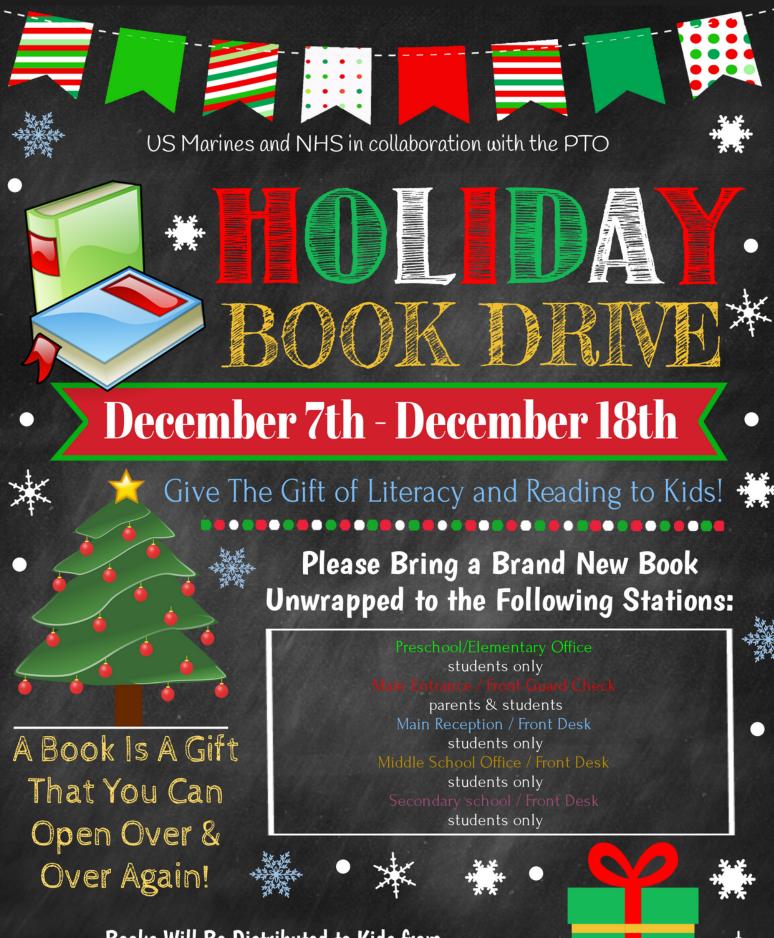
Preschool/Elementary Office students only Main Entrance/ Front Guard Check students & parents Main Reception/ Front Desk students only Middle School Office/ Front Desk students only Secondary school/ Front Desk students only

Toys Will Be Distributed to Kids at the Annual Christmas Party

For Questions or More Info Please Contact Elementary Liaison at +380(50)353-89-56 or alona.fishchenko@gmail.com

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<u>qsi.org/kyiv/calendar</u>



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DECEMBER 7th - DECEMBER 18th

HOLIDAY

SELFIE ZONE

8:10 AM - 3:35 PM

HAVE YOU TAKEN YOUR PHOTO YET?

777 HOLIDAY LANE - SCHOOL LOBBY

HOLIDAY MUSIC AND An "INSTA" MERCY from THE ELVES TOO! HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Organized by the School PTO For more info contact PTO Elementary Liaison at +380(50)353-89-56

Preschool/Elementary

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/preschool-elementary</u>

Field Trip to Rome

"When will we take a field trip Ms. Lopert?" "Where do you want to go? We are lucky enough that right now we can go anywhere."

This is common conversation in my class and one in which we solved by using Nearpod to go on virtual field trips. It is something we can do with our online class and at school.



Recently we visited Rome and explored everywhere with such excitement that family members were inspired to join Ms. Tatiana's lessons.

After mastering the history of Rome; students created a virtual world based on what they had seen using Minecraft under the guidance of Mr.Rech.



PRESCHOOL/ELEMENTARY

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/preschool-elementary</u>



Back on Campus!

My students have been content to be back at school after our two weeks of quarantine. Our classroom is their second home, and they enjoy being with each other.

The 4-ND class has been busy drawing, sketching, painting, building, taking imaginary trips to faraway places by listening to book readings, learning about animals, and now enjoying the cold weather.

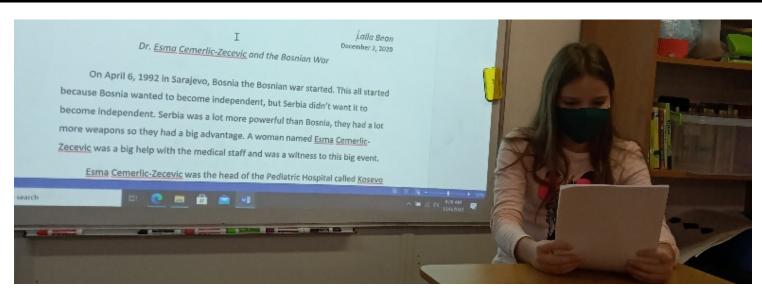
The students are getting better each day at communicating in the classroom. As their teacher, I am glad and thankful to be back on campus enjoying their giggles, smiles, their smart comments, and most of all their presence.

The children are learning about the winter months and how some of the animals hibernate, why some of them change color and some of them migrate. My students hope to help the birds that hang around our playground by contributing on filling the bird feeders with seeds. This a way to preserve the environment as they are learning about how to help their planet as well with small habits in our classroom.

Nora Durham 4-Year-Old Preschool Teacher



Preschool/Elementary



Elementary Students Writing Biographical Sketches

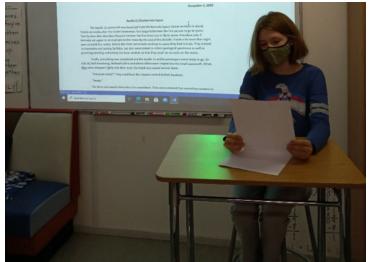
by John R. Durham (10yo Teacher)

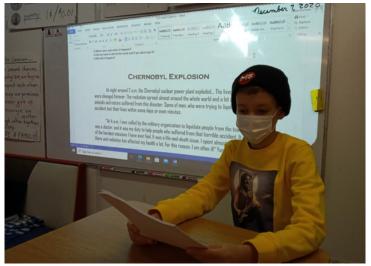
The 10 year old literacy curriculum has many excellent writing assignments. During the year, the students write narratives, research papers, poetry, summaries, and much more. The selective unit on biographies, has the students writing a biographical sketch. This unit began by reading an excellent example in our Journeys book – *They Called Her Molly Pitcher*.

Then the students were asked to interview someone about an important world event. Before they actually carried out the interview, students developed a list of questions to direct the interview. With the help of their parents, the students interviewed parents, grandparents, an uncle, and family friends about an important world event. Some of these events included the Vietnam War, 9/11 Terrorist Attacks, WWII, the Orange Revolution here in Ukraine, and others.

The next step in the process of writing the biographical sketch was to research online and to gather more facts about the important event. Then the students combined their interview notes and their research to write their story. These stories had to incorporate dialogue and historical facts in an engaging and entertaining fashion.

After lots of editing, the students shared their biographical sketches with the other students and answered questions about their interview and historical event.





NO PANDEMIC CAN STOP OUR IMAGINATION!



Urban sketches and VRtraveling





This year while working on the urban sketch projects, 12 yo had a chance to travel to their favorite cities, using Virtual Reality glasses. Putting together linear perspective and watercolors, students were recreating some parts/buildings/corners of their favorite cities. And after, they tried "VR 360 city tours", that could be easily found on Youtube.

SAT®



REMINDER

Secondary 3 students should sign-up for a spring sat this month.

Use this link to register:

https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register

Test center code: **60134** School code: **732960**

- * Space is limited. We are a public site and cannot reserve seats for KIS students. Sign-up NOW to ensure you get a seat! Once we're full you will be directed to another testing site. If you want to test at KIS sign-up TODAY!
- * Contact Mrs. Rech (<u>lindsey-rech@kyiv.qsi.org</u>) with questions or help signing-up. If you cannot get into your College Board account or forgot your password you need to contact College Board.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Barbora Cahojova

Secondary III Student

We asked, Barbora answered

The thing I like the most about KIS is how respectful and kind everyone is. I have never seen the amount of respect from teachers towards students like here in KIS. When we just get closer to the high school building, almost every time there stands Mr. Legan with a teacher and they greet us and wish us a great day. This just makes the days a little bit better.

My dream class , which does not exist, would be about rescuing animals, learning about them, telling others how to stop animal abuse and simply about how to stop animal abuse. But for right now, IB Film with Mr. Hume is the perfect class. I have so much fun learning about film and what it takes to make a film. We had an assignment where we should edit a horror film and it was so much fun.

My favourite book, so far, is called HALO by Alexandra Adornetto. It is a book about angels that came on the Earth and one of them falls in love with a boy. Actually, I have no idea why I love this book so much, I just do.

I have no idea where I see myself in 20 years, but I have a certain image in my head where I want to be in 10 years. I will probably have a vegan restaurant with one of my very close friends. I would for sure have at least 93635293846 pets (including rescued pigs, rescued goats, rats, many many cats, dogs, parrots, rescued cows,...)and I hope that I'll be living somewhere in Philippines (or in a nice country) in a small house with a huge garden.





Let's Get Personal

I am the shyest person that I know. It does not matter if it is just one person or a group, I just simply cannot "function" around people because I get this block that blocks me from talking in front of people.

Since school is not easy, during the days that we have classes, I do not get enough sleep. I think that a person should sleep about 7 hours a day. But I get maximum of 4 hours of sleep a day. And so during the weekend I love to sleep. This may sound lame, but waking up at 12 on the weekends is my favourite thing to do.

When I don't have much work, I hangout with friends and we would probably go thrift-shopping. Another thing that I started with one of my friends to going to vegan restaurants and "stealing" or getting inspired by their recipes. This sounds quite odd, but it's really fun to guess what is in the food that you're eating. And then we try making the food on our own . I actually really love to cook, and so I've been trying to cook as much as possible during quarantine.

Most of my free time I spend facetiming with my friends or watching a film with my dad. I also love plants, and so if I have an opportunity to buy some more plants, I'll do so. ..

INTENSIVE ENGLISH

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/ie</u>



I see you, Covid, preventing me from traveling around the world, I beat you with my students, from everywhere around the globe

Great news! (so needed these days) Every day is MY day here, at KIS I'm off to Great Places! To meet some new faces. Without leaving my classroom, of course During pandemic that's what we enforce

They have brains in their heads They have books in their hands They have hearts full of hopes Hopes for only "A" grades So the journey begins And we take off from here Where it's hard to stay focus Make your fears disappear And pronounce the word "road" And the paragraph writing Internet overload Now they're getting excited New assignments and tasks And "forgetting" their homework Oh, and wearing a mask! Also struggling with teamwork All they need is a spark Some encouragement often Soon they will make their mark And the teacher will soften Oh, the places they'll take you If you give them a chance Lise will take you to Paris, Through her eyes you'll see France Bruce will take you to China Where the old and the modern are making great mix Introduce Hangzhou City Or how to use some chopsticks Reshma'll show you how to be a good friend And support us in difficult moment

Whether its here in the school

Or far away on an Indian land Lakis knows all about his Greece He can also surprise you With his knowledge increase There is one country I always wanted to go And because I have Nargiz Azerbaijan now is so easy to know Estonian legends Artele knows That are told in her country You can meet them up close When you reading her stories Or just look at her school posts Milena will show you Through the stories she writes How Poland if beautiful In present and past

Students take so much pride Sharing all that they know About places they cherish About places they get to call HOME. And through all of that passion That they put in the work that they post One can not but to travel Despite airports all being closed. Oh, the places you'll go When you see how they grow When you read their stories You'll give up all your worries That they simply won't know All the things you would teach them All the things you would show. They will conquer their mountains And you'll see them go on It's the best from rewards That the teacher would long (for).

Inspired by my students in Middle School IE classes. Mrs.Olga Kardash, Intensive English Teacher

LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH

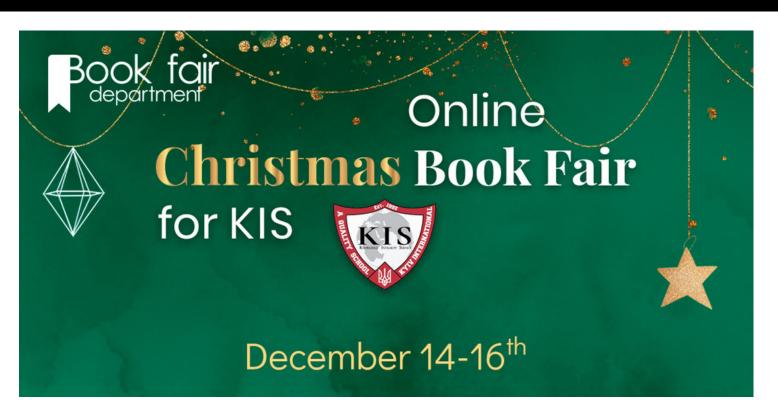


🚝 GERMAN WEIHNACHT CLUB

In the evening, on Thursday, 3rd of December, middle and high school students all together with their teachers shared ("teilen" in the pic above) Advent traditions in German speaking countries.

They were taken to a Christmas market with its cinnamon aroma, opened some Advent calendar doors, lightened the first candle on the Advent wreath, decorated a Christmas tree, sang a reindeer rap, and heard about Saint Nickolas and his helpers, boots full of tangerines and candy, Santa Claus and the Christ child... to make it short, there was no gloom on zoom that night, nobody got a birching but all participants are supposed to get a gingerbread from St. Nick!





Dear partners and friends,

We here at **Dinternal Education** have some great news for you – our yearly **Christmas Book Fair** is coming soon! Despite the pandemic this year we feel that we ought to continue with our very popular Christmas Book Fair. However, new challenges mean new solutions so, welcome an absolutely new Book Fair Online Format! We put a lot time and effort to keep your spirit high during the festive season. We really hope you will enjoy it.



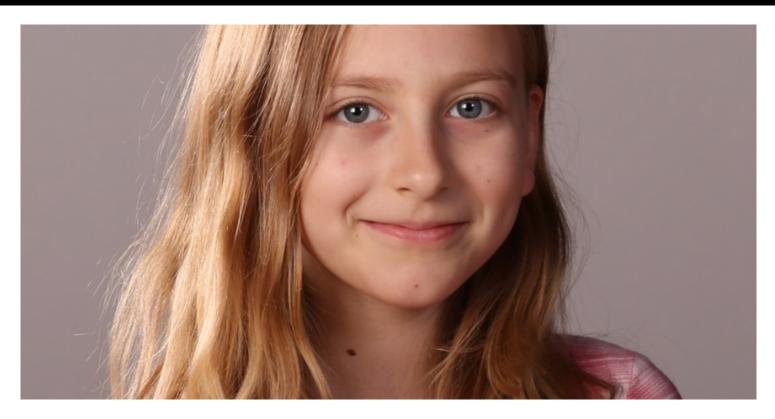
To make sure that our partners and friends get all the books you would like to, we have prepared a promo code **KIS10** for **10% discount**.

There is also a special offer for you – you will get for free every 5th book in the shopping cart. At the end of the book fair we will choose three winners among all the orders. Winners will be granted with money vouchers to spend at our online bookshop. Please, do not forget to put your name and the form into comments while making an order, it would help us distribute books among pupils in your school.

"Christmas doesn't come from a store.Maybe Christmas perhaps means a little bit more." — Dr. Seuss, How the Grinch Stole Christmas

We hope you'll find something very special this holiday season! Stay safe and act smartly. We are looking forward to seeing you and your family at our online book fair.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Library Contest for Students

Here is the outcome of the Nonfiction Reading Challenge among ten-year-olds. Sofiia Bilostotsky and Forrest Johnson, both from 10 CF, submitted super interesting facts from the nonfiction books they were reading and thus, became the winners of the Challenge. Congratulations to them!!!



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Students and coaches are enjoying a fun, safe start to our basketball season





PHYSICAL EDUCATION

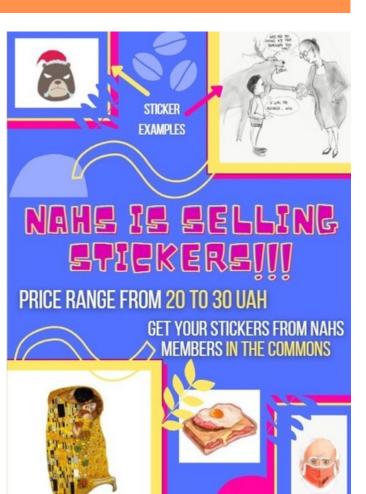
Parents! Please help your child remember their PE shoes! They are not allowed to wear their boots in the gyms!

HOLIDAY * RAFFLE

* PRIZE 1: KFN 500 UAH GIFTCARD PRIZE 2: BASKET OF AMERICAN CANDY PRIZE 3: ICESKATING TICKETS(2)

GET YOUR TICKET FROM ANY NAHS MEMBER Ticket cost : 20 UAH



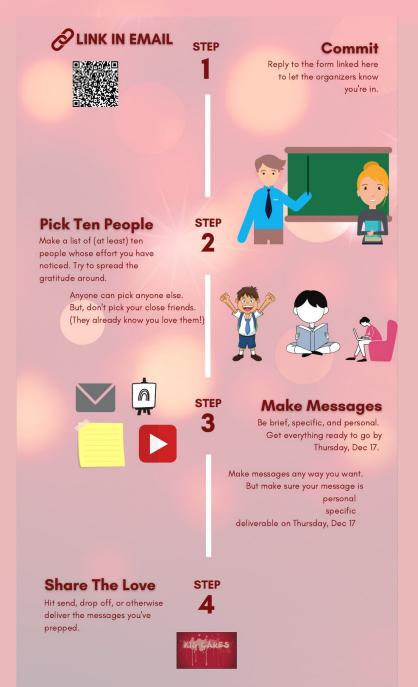


Help KIS Hit a High Note Heading into the Holidays

In this year like no other, we have all adapted, changed, modified, and adjusted a million small things just to keep moving forward. Keeping our community strong has never been more important or more challenging. As we head into Winter Break, please join KIS Cares in taking a moment to let 10 people know their effort is appreciated.



Make and deliver ten gratitude messages on the Thursday before Winter Break. It's free, easy, and might mean the world to someone who needs to hear how great they are.



Student Life

<u>qsi.org/kyiv/student-life</u>



Socially Distant Choir

Contact Ms. Geary Mr. A or Mrs. A for details.

Looking for Singers! Pick a Part! Learn It! Record Yourself! Email it Over!



KIS Cares

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SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER

Квадрильйон

Mr. Daniel Burke would like to say a huge THANK YOU and shoutout to the Nykonorov family for donating toys, clothes, and sweets this past week!

The donations will be donated to an orphanage in Khust, which is located Zakarpattia Oblast. The kids will now be able to celebrate and enjoy the holiday season.Again, that you so much for your support, care, and generosity over the years. You are truly making a difference!



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	CAFETERIA			LUNCH 2-6y.o. (dessert only for 5- 6y.o.)					
Ī	MENU 1	MENU 2	MENU 3	VEGETARIAN MENU	Breakfast 2-3-4y.o.	Breakfast 5-6y.o.	VEGETARIAN MENU 5-6y.o.	MEAT MENU	2'd Snack 2-4y.o.
	Chicken BBQ	Wiener schnitzel	Roasted Fish Fillet	Chickpea Stew	Cottage Cheese Crear	n Cottage Cheese Cream	Chickpea Stew	Roasted Chicken	Sweet heart bun
MONDAY	Penne	Buckwheat/Potatoes	Potatoes	Penne	Fruit	Fruit	Penne	Penne	Fruit
	Vegetables Salad / Fresh Vegetables / Grilled Vegetables				Compote	Compote	Tomatoes	Tomatoes	Milk*
				Minest	rone Soup				
					read				
		-			with Lemon heart bun				
	Chicken crouton	Sweet hea			Yogurt with Fun	Yogurt with Fun			
	Lollipops	Plov Beef	Salmon	Tofu Steak	Toping	Toping	Tofu Steak	Stewed Veal	Gerber Puree
<u>_</u>	Pasta		Broccoli Mix	Broccoli Mix	Fruit	Fruit	Broccoli Mix	Buckwheat	Cracker
TUESDAY	Corn / Fresh Vegetables / Grilled Vegetables				Fennel Tea	Fennel Tea	Carrots + Corn	Carrots + Corn	Water
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	Chicken Wings	Empanadas	Fish Cutlet "Brigantine"	Pancakes With Cabbage	Buckwheat with Milk		Pancakes With Cabbage	Beef Cutlet	Strudel
AV	Steam Rice	Salsa	Spinach Rice	Spinach Rice	Fruit & Berries	Fruit	Spinach Rice	Steamed Potatoes	Actimel
WEDNESDAY	Veg	Vegetables Salad / Fresh Vegetables / Grilled Vegetables Pea Soup			Toast with Butter	Cherry Tea	Vegetable Sticks Vegetable Sticks Pea Soup		
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	Turkey Cutlet	Tacos chicken/beef	Indian Fish Croquette	Paneer	Omlet	Omlet	Paneer	Turkey Cutlet	Crepes
×	Couscous		Kinoa With Vegetables	Baked Pumpkin With Seeds	Vegetable Sticks	Vegetable Sticks	Baked Pumpkin With Seeds	Couscous	Jam
RSDAY	N	/egetables Salad / Fresh \	/egetables / Cauliflower		Multigrain Bread	Multigrain Bread	Cucumbers	Cucumbers	Apple
THUR	Cream Soup				Compote	Compote	Crea	m Soup	
H	Bread Compote / Water						В	read	
					perry Tea				
		Стер	Crepes Crepes		repro				
	Lasagna	Criollo Beef	Fish Cutlet With Spinach	Green Spinach & Oats Cutlet	Carrot Pie	Carrot Pie	Green Spinach & Oats Cutlet	Meat Balls	Cottage Cheese pancakes
FRIDAY		Mashed Potatoes	Green Beans	Green Beans	Milk	Milk	Mashed Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes	Fruit
	Broccoli/ Tomatoes Salad / Fresh Vegetables				Banana	Banana	Green Beans	Broccoli	Camomile Tea
FRI	Borsch / Vegetable Soup						Borsch / V	egetable Soup	
		Brea					Bread		
	Lemonade / Water Jelly							elly	