

KOZAK KORNER

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Newsletter Issue #1





Ready or Not... Mostly Ready!

The new school year is on its way. You only have a couple more weeks to enjoy all that sunshine, so enjoy every second. I hope your summer break has been amazing...don't panic...you still have some time remaining. The first day of school will be Thursday, August 22nd. This first day will be a half-day of school (8:10-11:30), but Friday is a full day (8:10-3:35).

This week, we welcomed some of our new teachers to Ukraine and look forward to having them be a part of our team, community, and the KIS family. We are all busy getting ready for your return. Teachers will soon be busy getting their classrooms organized, meeting with teams, planning schedules, and preparing for our students to arrive. The halls always feel very empty and quiet during the first couple weeks of August. Luckily, we have the buzz of construction to fill the void. The expansion of our cafeteria and library renovation is nearly completed and look amazing.

We still have many families coming to visit the school and we are excited to welcome them all to the school and community. We will be having an Open House and Meet Your Teacher on Wednesday, August 21st, from 1:00-3:00 to help new families learn more about the school. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school and can't wait for the 2019-20 school year to begin.

See you soon!

Luke Woodruff, Director

PLEASE CHECK ALL IMPORTANT INFO IN THE CURRENT ISSUE

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

- 21: New Family Orientation
- 22: First Day of School (Half Day - 8:10 - 11:30)
- 23: Full Day of School (8:10-3:35)
- 26: Ukrainian Independence Day (no school)

September

- 3 - 14: Class Portraits
- 11: Advisory Board Meeting
- 14: ACT Test
- 16: MAP Testing begins

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Kyiv International School 2019-20 Bell Schedule Monday - Friday	
Middle School / Secondary Bell Schedule	
Block 1	8:10 - 9:40
Break	9:40 - 9:45
Block 2	9:45 - 11:15
SSC Lunch / SSC Break	11:21 - 11:31
SSC Lunch / SSC Break	11:54 - 12:24
Block 3	12:27 - 13:57
Break	13:57 - 14:05
Block 4	14:05 - 15:35
Elementary Bell Schedule	
Period 1	8:10 - 9:54
Period 2	9:55 - 10:45
Break	10:45 - 10:55
Period 3	10:55 - 12:32
Period 4	12:34 - 11:18
Period 5	11:21 - 12:06
Break	12:07 - 12:24
Period 6 and 5-7 yo Lunch	12:27 - 13:11
Period 7 and 8-10 yo Lunch	13:13 - 13:57
Break	13:57 - 14:05
Period 8	14:05 - 14:49
Period 9	15:31 - 15:35



Campus Security

As you enter the school campus, you will see a sign that says "Campus Security". This sign is placed at the entrance to the campus and is visible to all visitors. The sign contains information about the school's security policies and procedures. It is important that all visitors read and understand this information before entering the campus.

Visitor Policy: All visitors must be accompanied by a school employee at all times. Visitors must sign in at the security desk upon entering the campus and sign out upon leaving. Visitors are not allowed to enter restricted areas of the campus.

Emergency Procedures: In the event of an emergency, all visitors must follow the instructions of the school employees. Visitors should remain calm and follow the designated evacuation routes.

Security Measures: The school has several security measures in place to ensure the safety of all students and staff. These measures include security cameras, metal detectors, and trained security personnel.

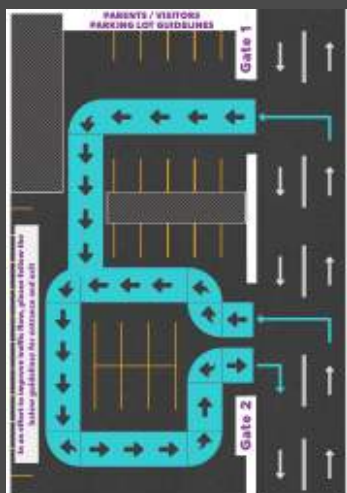
School Starts

First Day:
Thursday, August 22nd
(half day)
School day: 8:10 – 11:30

Independence Day of Ukraine

Is the main state holiday in modern Ukraine, celebrated on 24 August in commemoration of the Declaration of Independence of 1991.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, 26TH OF AUGUST



KIS Parking and Traffic Guidelines

Kyiv International School, as always, remains open to all parents and visitors. We want to be a part of the school community. Your safety and the safety of our students is our top priority. The school also remains the importance of student safety and security. For this reason, we want to communicate the parking and traffic guidelines at the school.

- All parent parking will be off campus to the school parking lot.
- There will be no drop-off or pick-up at the school during the morning and "drop and pick up" in the afternoon.
- Anyone intending to spend more time than the school day at school.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in this, as we make efforts to keep all children safe at school. Please look closely at the map and description of the different zones at the school. Please be patient with the school guards and staff and we try to manage traffic and make this as efficient and safe as possible.

Drop-off Zone: Parents and visitor parking only - open all day for those wishing to enter the school and stay for longer times.

Morning Drop-off - Short Time Drop-off: Please drop off children with the help of school volunteers to make sure students safety and enter the school grounds. Please do not park in the "Drop-off Zone" (3:00 - 4:00).

Drop-off Zone: Please keep to the right and depart the school between 3:00-4:00 zone.

Drop-off Zone: The road will be blocked from entering the red zone until the buses have departed from the school at 3:00. Following the departure of buses, the red zone will open for through traffic. If you are in a hurry to depart the school, please consider parking in the green zone.

Drop-off Zone: Once the yellow zone is full, parents will ask parents to kindly park in the green zone.

Drop-off Zone: Drop-off and school bus parking only.

New Family Orientation

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21,
1:00-3:00**

On Wednesday afternoon, KIS would like to welcome new families to come visit the school and meet their teachers.

- **KIS Staff will meet you in the lobby and guide you to your child(ren)'s classroom to meet your teachers.**
- **Interested in school lunch? Meet with KFN to learn more about lunch options and pricing.**
- **Need transportation services? Meet with the KIS Transportation coordinator to make these arrangements.**
- **Meet the leadership team @2:00 in the auditorium.**
- **Middle School and High School students may pick up their schedules.**

MEET YOUR TEACHERS



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Thursday, August 22nd
8:10-11:30

Thursday will be the first day of school! Please see below where students should go on this day.

Preschool & Elementary Students

2-4 year-olds may go directly to their classroom.

6-10 year-olds will gather at the front of the school to meet their homeroom teachers.

Middle School Students

All middle school students will go directly to the new gymnasium for a brief assembly with the administration team and middle school teachers.

High School Students

All high school students will go directly to the auditorium for a brief assembly with the administration team and high school teachers.

Friday, August 23rd
Full Day (8:10-3:35)

Class Lists and Student Schedules

Class Lists

KIS takes a lot of care to determine appropriate class placement for your child. Therefore parent requests will not be taken into consideration. Thank you for your continued understanding of this matter. Class lists will be released in the evening, on August 22nd, via Moodle and will also be posted at the school on August 23rd, the first day of school.

Student Schedule

Middle and High School students will be available on the first day of school. Elementary and Preschool homeroom teachers will share their weekly schedule with parents.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Our PTO organizes a number of events throughout the year for the school and community. This is a group of elected parents who volunteer their time, effort, and energy to make our school a better place and build community.

PTO will be set up at the main entrance on the first day of school. If you are curious to know more about PTO and what they do in the school and the community, please visit them for more information.

Busing

If you require school transportation services for your child, arrangements can be made by contacting transportation@kyiv.qsi.org.

The bus coordinator will communicate the pick up schedule and bus route by emailing you directly. If you do not receive this information before school begins, please contact them.

All school buses have a school employee bus monitor and a camera that is reviewed regularly by the bus manager and administration. School bus behavior expectations can be found on the school website under the Health & Safety Overview. All buses have seat belts and go through regular maintenance checks and servicing.

Lunches & Snacks

Lunch and snack options are provided by KFN Catering Organization. This is a separate organization and fees are not included in the tuition. See their flyer for more information.

Campus Security

Kyiv International School strives to provide your children with a safe and positive educational environment at all times. Our facilities are meant to be for students, staff, and parents to build school community and promote student and community activities. **In alignment with the school's Child Protection Policies and Procedures, CEESA guidelines, and updated Middle States Accreditation requirements**, KIS would like to inform everyone of the following campus safety and security regulations:

Car Access Stickers

For cars to access the territory, you must have a new parking sticker (yellow) for the 2018-2019 school year. These stickers are available at reception.



Adult ID's

All adults planning to be on campus must have an ID. If you do not have one already, please arrange to register for one from reception, and wear it at all times while at the school. The school must know who is on our campus and why at all times.

Nannies, Family Caregivers, and Bodyguards

KIS has qualified and trained teachers and teaching assistants who care for your children, as they learn to be personally **independent** and **responsible**. To encourage independence in our students, nannies, family caregivers, drivers and bodyguards are requested not to wait on the school premises during school hours.

Drop off – we ask that nannies, caregivers, drivers, and bodyguards, who are dropping off students in the morning, please **depart from the school campus by 8:35 AM**.

Pick up – we ask that nannies, caregivers, drivers, and bodyguards, who are picking up students in the afternoon, to only come on campus **after 3:00 PM and wait in the pick up zones, which include the main lobby and back courtyard**. Students will not be dismissed until 3:35. We ask parents, drivers, and caregivers to wait for students in these zones and not go directly to the classroom. The only exception to this is our 3Y, 3Z, and 4S parents or caregivers, who can pick up students at the classroom.

Special Activities and Events - if there is a special activity, event, or performance that is open to parents, caregivers will also be permitted on campus to take pictures and videos for parents who cannot attend.

Closed Campus

Kyiv International School is a closed campus. Once on campus, students are not permitted to leave the campus without parental permission and office approval before 3:35pm. Parents are asked to contact the divisional office managers if their child plans to leave school early. If a student feels unwell at school, the office staff will notify their parents and arrangements will be made to leave school. Students are not permitted to leave campus without prior parent written notification. **Any students who leave campus will not be permitted to return on the same day without specific approval and permission.**

Picking Up Students in the Middle of the Day

Parents and caregivers should go to reception to notify the school that they are picking up any student(s) and wait in the lobby while reception calls the teacher or department. School staff will escort the student to the lobby for pick up, if needed. An exit slip will be issued to show security when leaving early. In an effort of accountability, this helps the school to better know who is on and off campus at all times, each day. If you have any questions or concerns about these policies, please don't hesitate to set up a meeting with security and administration.

KIS Parking and Traffic Guidelines

Kyiv International School, as always, remains open to all parents and visitors. We want you to feel welcome and be a part of the school community. Our doors are always open!

The school also recognizes the importance of student safety and security. For this reason, we want to communicate the parking and traffic guidelines at the school.

- All parent parking will be off campus in the school parking lot.
- There will be two exceptions to this for the drop off and pick up time.
- During this time, we ask parents to “drop and go” in the morning and “park and pick up” in the afternoon.
- Anyone intending to spend more time than this should park off campus.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in this, as we make efforts to keep all children safe at school. Please look closely at the map and description of the different zones at the school. Please be patient with the school guards and staff and we try to manage traffic and make this as efficient and safe as possible.

Green Zone

Parent and visitor parking only - open at all times for those wishing to enter the school and stay for longer times.

Yellow Zone – Short time (Stop & Go)

Morning Drop Off – (7:30 - 8:30)

Please drop off students with the help of school volunteers to make sure students safely exit and enter the school grounds. Please do not park.

Afternoon Pick Up – (3:00 - 4:00)

Those hoping to quickly pick up students and depart the school between the 3:45-4:00 time.

** Important note:*

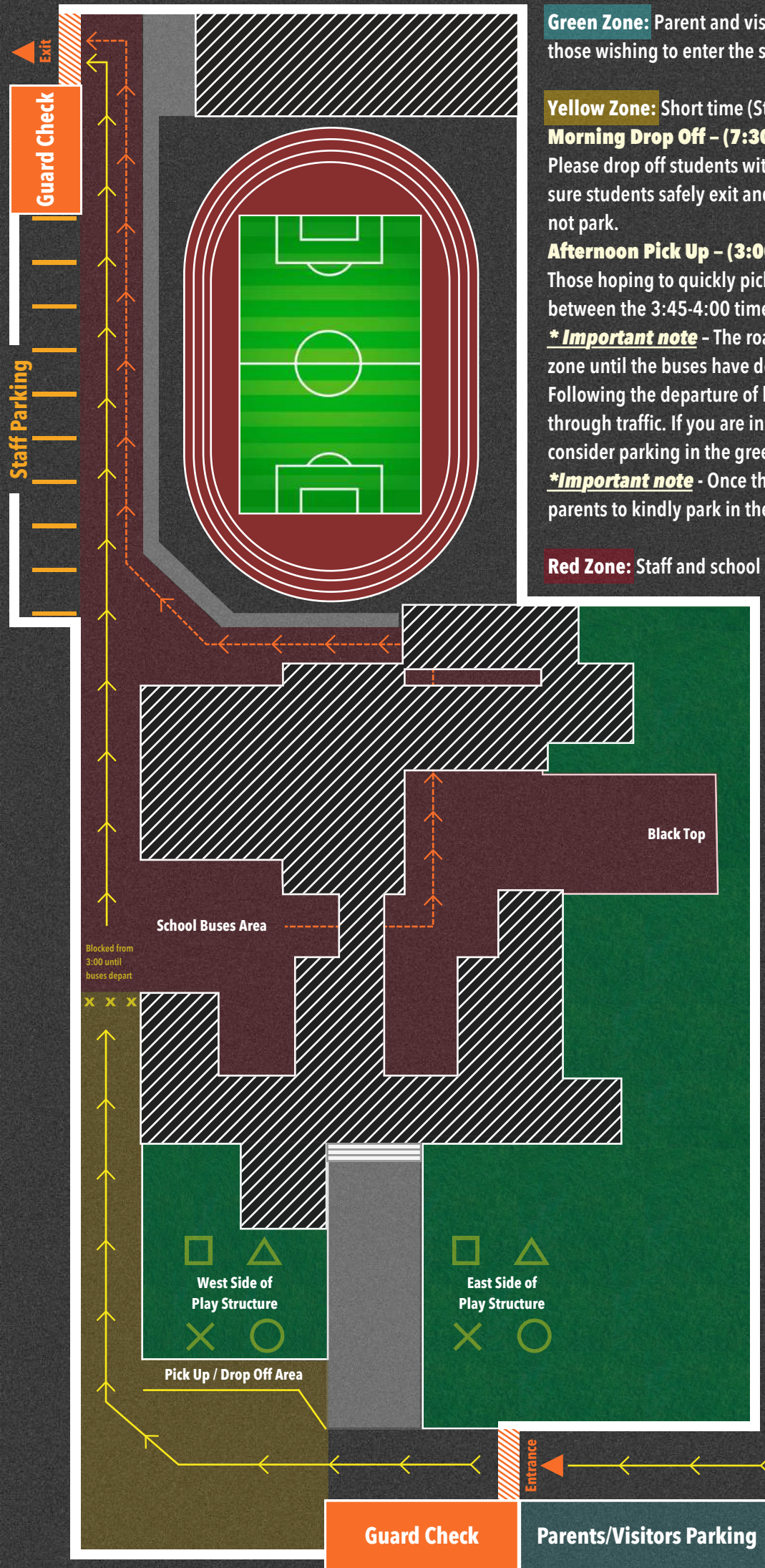
The road will be blocked from entering the red zone until the buses have departed from the school at 3:45. Following the departure of buses, the red zone will open for through traffic. If you are in a hurry to depart the school, please consider parking in the green zone.

**Important note:*

Once the yellow zone is full, guards will ask parents to kindly park in the green zone.

Red Zone

Staff and school bus parking only



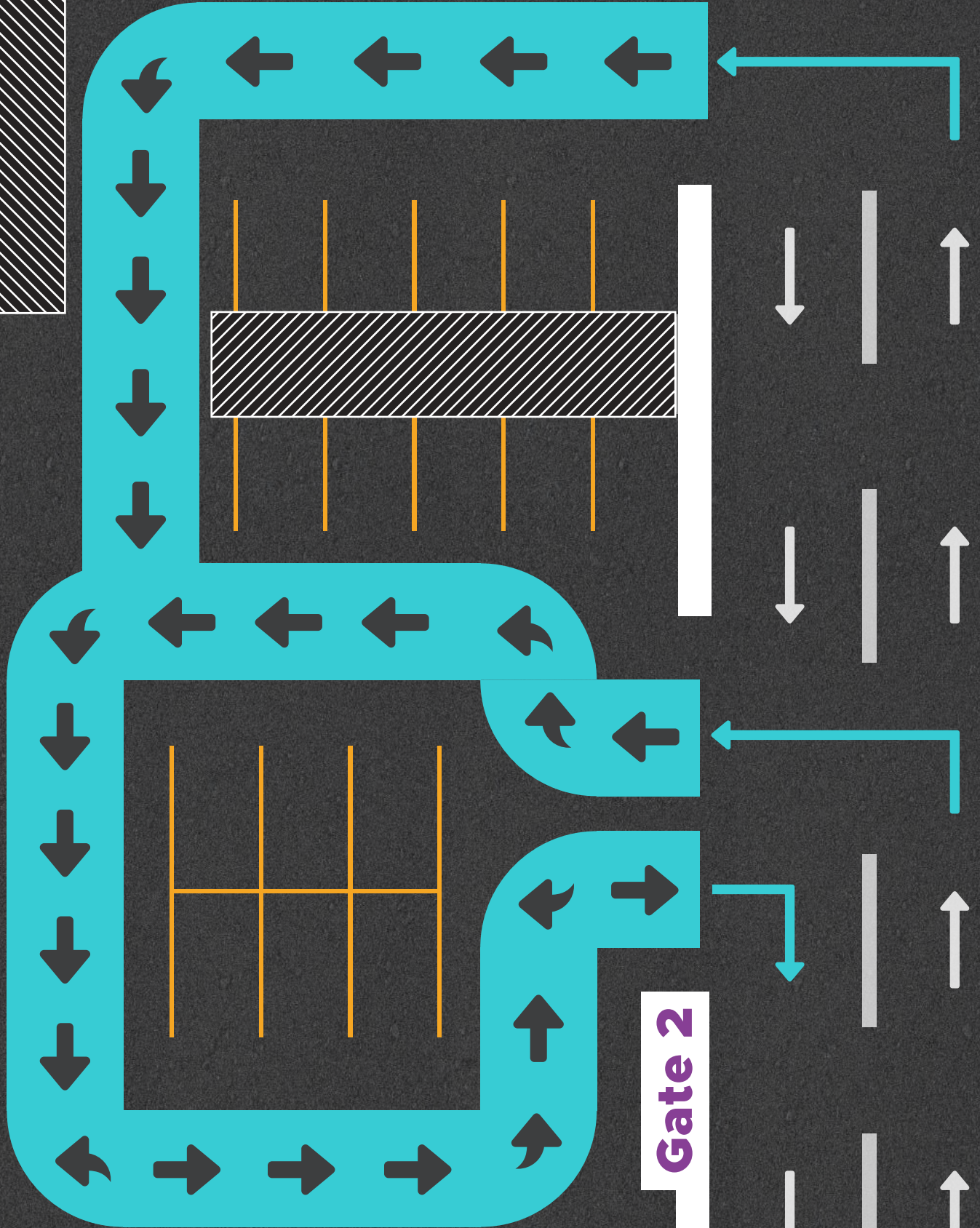
**KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
PICK UP / DROP OFF SCHEME**

**PARENTS / VISITORS
PARKING LOT GUIDELINES**

Gate 1

**In an effort to improve traffic flow, please follow the
below guidelines for entrance and exit**

Gate 2



Kyiv International School

2019-20 Bell Schedule

Monday - Friday

Middle School / Secondary Bell Schedule	
Block 1	8:10 - 9:40
Break	9:40 - 9:48
Block 2	9:48 - 11:18
SEC Lunch / MS Kozak 30	11:21 - 11:51
MS Lunch / SEC Kozak 30	11:54 - 12:24
Block 3	12:27- 13:57
Break	13:57 - 14:05
Block 4	14:05 - 15:35

Preschool/Elementary Bell Schedule	
Period 1	8:10 - 8:54
Period 2	8:56-9:40
Break	9:40-9:48
Period 3	9:48 - 10:32
Period 4	10:34 - 11:18
Period 5	11:21 - 12:06
Break	12:07-12:24
Period 6 and 5-7 yo Lunch	12:27 - 13:11
Period 7 and 8-10 yo Lunch	13:13 - 13:57
Break	13:57 - 14:05
Period 8	14:05 - 14:49
Period 9	15:51 - 15:35

** If students are dismissed to go home from specials they are dismissed at 15:35. If they go back to homeroom then they are dismissed at 15:30. ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES: Dismissed at 15:30 to go back to class.



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

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

School Calendar 2019–2020

❖ **First Term**

First Day: 22 August (Thursday)

Last Day: 13 December (Friday)

Holidays: 26 August: (Monday) - Ukrainian Independence day
 14-18 October (Monday-Friday) - Fall Break/Defender's Day
 21-22 November (Thursday-Friday) - Professional Development Days (**no school**)
 16 December—07 January - Winter break

Quintile 1: 22 August – 11 October

Quintile 2: 21 October – 11 December

Quintile 3: 12 December - 02 March

Number of school days: 74

❖ **Second Term**

First Day: 8 January (Wednesday)

Last Day: 27 March (Friday)

Holidays: 17-21 February (Monday – Friday) Ski Week
 09 March (Monday) International Women's Day
 Professional Development: 25 January (Saturday)

Quintile 4: 3 March – 22 April

Number of school days: 52

❖ **Third Term**

First Day: 30 March (Monday)

Last Day: 19 June (Friday)

Holidays: 27 April - 01 May (Monday - Wednesday) Easter Holiday and Labor Day
 11 May (Monday) Victory Day

Quintile 5: 23 April – 19 June

Number of school days: 54

Total Number of School Days—180 / The school week is Monday through Friday.