KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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Dear KIS Community,

Friday, March 26, 2021

It has been so nice to see the sunshine out these past few days. I hope in saying that I don't end up scaring it away. We really need as much sunlight as we can get these days.

The school has been slightly more quiet than usual, but we are so glad to have more students on campus during this current lockdown. We would always prefer to have more students on campus.

I hope this past week of distance learning has gone well for our 10yo through Secondary students...and parents. There are always some bumps in the road as we make the switch to online learning, no matter how many times we do it, so please don't hesitate to reach out to you child's teacher, school counselor, or the director of instruction with any questions or concerns. We are always looking at the little adjustments that can be made. Please keep in mind that with the complications of the schedule, it is not always possible to change some things.

Though many of our students are at home, the well-being of our community is still a high priority and of constant concern for us, so please reach out for any needed support.

During the lockdown, many cases might not impact the school community, but we still ask that community members continue to report COVID cases to the school. This helps with our own data collection and ability to check-in with students and families. We will continue to communicate with the community COVID cases that happen within our school for awareness purposes.

There are so many great things happening at school, so take a moment and check them out!

Sincerely,



Luke Woodruff Director Kyiv International School



Kyiv International School

Now accepting admissions applications and reapplications for 2021-22





March 22 - April 9: Campus Closure (ages 10 to Sec IV)

Dear parents.

The **reapplication deadline** for the 2021-2022 school year is April 2, 2021. Please check your KIS Informer for details.

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 19, 2021.

To apply for a scholarship for the 2021-2022 school year go to **Scholarship Application 2021-2022 (kis.net.ua)** and fill out the scholarship application form.

Please be kindly reminded that the Due Date for Term 3 school fees is April 2nd. We ask you to take care of outstanding balances at your earliest convenience. Please contact Business Office with questions:

<u>businessoffice@kyiv.qsi.org</u> <u>finance@kyiv.qsi.org</u>

ONLINE SCHEDULE - 10 YEAR OLD CLASSES



This is 10-year-olds only at this time. Teachers will send their specific schedule with links and specials

8:10 - 8:55	Literacy
9:00 - 9:45	Literacy
9:50 - 10:35	Recess
10:40 - 11:25	Mathematics
11:25 - 11:35	Break
11:35 - 12:20	Specials, Science or Safety Netting
12:27 - 1:11	LOE or Lunch
1:13 - 1:57	LOE or Lunch
2:00 - 2:45	Specials, Science or Safety Netting
2:50 - 3:35	Specials, Science or Safety Netting

ONLINE LEARNING SCHEDULE

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.

Preschool

THE 4S CELEBRATED INTERNATIONAL WAFFLE DAY























STEM ACTIVITY

In the 5-year-old class, we connected Fairy Tales with Science STEM activity. We read the book The Three Billy Goats Gruff. After, the students were presented with the problem - help the Three Billy Goats to cross the river without crossing the bridge so they do not disturb the big troll. The students were very creative and designed different rafts, a plane, a paraglide, a slink shoot, a rope line, and a 3-goat canoe.



Secondary Academics - Student Spotlight

ISABELLE- SECONDARY II

Isabelle's tell us about being new to KIS, online learning and more

IT'S ALL NEW!



THOUGHTS ON HS

I really enjoy the teachers at KIS.. The classes are very well-taught and even though I am fully online, I still feel as if I can effectively engage with the material and the rest of the class. My classes are generally interesting. My best HS memory is probably from 9th grade at my previous high school. The entire school was divided into four teams for a pep rally. Each team took part in a quiz-show game about school history, movie trivia, and strange teacher facts. Then, all of the students got to watch a teachers VS students basketball game! It was the most memorable day of my freshman year. It is not my first time being a new student, however, this time was a far more interesting adjustment. Adjusting to the new grading system and curriculum has been the biggest challenge for me this year, however, the school and students are welcoming and the teachers are always very helpful. Being fully online has become the new normal for me, considering that I've been doing it for nearly a year and a half. Personally, online learning has not been too challenging, especially since KIS has a good virtual schooling system. Fully virtual learning offers more flexibility and has helped me to become more self-motivated and better at managing my time. Lack of social interaction is a definite downside, but I regularly interact with classmates during class hours.

In my free time, I enjoy baking. Trying new recipes or mastering old ones has become a hobby of mine, especially during the year-long quarantine. There are many recipes that I have yet to try out. I am also quite a movie buff, so I enjoy watching all sorts of different movies with my family and friends; some of my favorites include Ferris Bueller's Day Off, Clueless, and any MCU films.



"I'M NOT SAYING THAT EVERYTHING IS SURVIVABLE. JUST THAT EVERYTHING EXCEPT THE LAST THING IS."

This quote comes from the book Paper Towns by John Green. It is meaningful to me because life is a constant battle to continue to exist. We are constantly working to repair and grow, but in the end, our days are numbered, so in comes the cliché-yet-true idea that you should enjoy them while they last.

Secondary Academics



UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

AMSTERDAM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (NETHERLANDS)

CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF THE ARTS (US)

LONDON FILM ACADEMY (UK)

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY (US)

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY (US)

SCHOOL OF VISUAL ARTS (US)

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA CRUZ (US)

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL (UK)

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST (US)

UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON (US)

Student Life



MS CULTURAL ARTS FEST - PHOTOGRAPHY

The Pandemic Life-Through a Middle School Lens Open to Middle School Students throughout CEESA



Students! We would like to invite all photographers in the Middle School to participate in this CEESA event. It's easy to do! Take your camera and wander around the city of Kyiv, or head out into nature and use your camera to capture things that relate to these categories:

That's Fun
COVID and your Country
Is it Art?

We will share a folder on OneDrive where you can put your photos and we will submit them to the website.

For more information, contact: <u>rachel-geary@kyiv.qsi.org</u> OR <u>helena-kasian@kyiv.qsi.org</u>



KK VIRTUAL SWIM MEET 2021

Congratulations to MS and Secondary swimmers in a Virtual Swim Meet 2021. In spite of those difficult times, the swimmers were still able to compete and have an opportunity to fight for new results, records, and medals. In addition, there were more than seven schools which competed during the tournament. We as coaches wanted to congratulate personally all of our swimmers and we wish them all the best in swimming.







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1st place:

Anabella V. (50m breaststroke, 50m butterfly)

2nd place:

Maxim T (50m breaststroke), Anabella V (50m freestyle, 200m freestyle)

3rd place:

Martina C (200m freestyle,100m freestyle), Atrem P (200m freestyle), Olexiy S (50m breaststroke), Svyatoslav S (50m breaststroke), Elizabeth O (100m IM), Andrey M (100m breaststroke)

KK VIRTUAL SWIM MEET 2021













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Hello Kozaks NEAR & FAR!

PHOTOJOURNALISM PROJECT

The Photography I and II students are embarking on a photojournalism project that needs YOU the KOZAK COMMUNITY to share your KIS stories. We are creating a "psychogeographic" map of our campus and THE KOZAK NATION using both photographs and text.

Yes - the place we are unable to be for the next three weeks. The place we all miss. We want to illustrate what our KOZAK NATION is made really of...

Not bricks, or gates, or walls or even classrooms but memories, impressions and living breathing stories of YOU. KOZAKS. Past and present.

Fill out this SHORT 5-minute-long survey and share your "KIS site" and "site-specific story."

There are NO wrong answers. YOU CAN DO THIS!

CLICK TO FILL THE FORM



KOZAK COACHING STAFF



DAN BURKE

REVERE, MA USA Kozak Coach since 2002 MSG/MSB FOOTBALL



"Fino alla fine!"

GUY EDMUNDS

MONMOUTH, UK Kozak Coach since 2017 HSG/HSB FOOTBALL



"If you believe it, you can achieve it!"

KATARINA LEGAN

BRATISLAVA, SK Kozak Coach since 2014 HSG/HSB CROSS COUNTRY



"Never Give Up"

OLENA RUBANOVA

KYIV, UKRAINE Kozak Coach since 2012 HSG/HSB cross country



KOZAK COACHING STAFF



"Fortune favours the brave."

MARTIN BUTLER

NORTH WALES, UK Kozak Coach since 2018 HSB FOOTBALL



MIKE HERNDON COLORADO SPRINGS, CO Kozak Coach since 2018 MSB, MSG CROSS COUNTRY



you play in a game!"

RANDI ASSENOVA

BAY SHORE, NY Kozak Coach since 2019 MSB FOOTBALL



"You got this, push through it!"

SARAH HERNDON

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO Kozak Coach since 2018 MSB/MSG cross country

KISMET MEDIA

wants you to participate in a special documentary video project



KISMET MEDIA

Ryem Khanin // publicity

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March 18, 2021 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



KIS IN A DAY 2021

The Fabled Documentary Makes a Grand Return

Kyiv: March 18, 2021 – Ladies and Gentlemen, once again, the day has come when the entire KIS community is invited to come together and create a lively, action-packed video project.

KIS IN A DAY, the highly successful KISMET Media project which has taken place twice before (in 2016 & 2017) will happen again this year.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1, the entire 15 - 20 minute documentary film will be shot in a single day. Anyone and everyone who wants to take part is hereby invited.

All you have to do is record 30 second clips of your day. We'd love to get something from everyone, and we're hoping that some of you will commit to shooting 5 clips over the course of the day, one **before school**, one in the **morning**, one over **lunch**, one in the **afternoon**, and one **after school**.

All you have to do is hit record, and encourage your friends to follow your example. Any moments you capture and share with the KISMET filmmaking / editing team may be immortalized for the entire KIS community.

On April 1, let's prove that no pandemic is an obstacle to our school-wide KOZAK spirit.

Let's Show Everyone We Are



KISMET MEDIA

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18 марта 2021 г. ДЛЯ НЕЗАМЕДЛИТЕЛЬНОГО РЕЛИЗА



KIS ЗА ДЕНЬ 2021

Всеми Любимый Документальный Фильм Вернулся

Киев: 18 марта 2021 г. – Леди и джентльмены, снова настал тот день, когда все сообщество KIS приглашено создать яркий, насыщенный документальный фильм про нашу жизнь в KIS.

KIS ЗА ДЕНЬ, успешный проект "KISMET Media", который ранее проводился дважды (в 2016 и 2017), снова повторится в этом году.

В четверг, 1 Апреля, весь 15-20-минутный документальный фильм будет снят за один день. Приглашены все желающие принять участие.

Все, что мы вас просим сделать, это записать короткие 30-секундные клипы вашего дня. Мы хотели бы получить что-нибудь от каждого, и надеемся, что некоторые из вас решатся снять 5 клипов в течение дня: один до школы, один утром, один в обед, один днем, и один после школы.

Все, что вам нужно сделать, это нажать на кнопку записи и побудить друзей последовать вашему примеру. Любые моменты, которые вы успеете заснять и поделиться с командой кинопроизводства / монтажа KISMET, будут увековечены для всего сообщества KIS.

Давайте докажем 1 апреля что никакая пандемия не является препятствием для нашего общешкольного духа КОZAK.



Let's Show Everyone We Are



STUDENT LIFE

The NOVA International School has invited KIS Middle School and Secondary students to The NOVA ESPORTS INTERNATIONAL. https://novaskesports.wixsite.com/nova

Good Luck to our KIS Students!

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MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA

MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA WILL START ON APRIL 5TH AND STUDENTS WILL WORK VIRTUALLY. DRAMA STUDENTS WILL BE PREPARING SOLO/SMALL GROUP ACTS/SKITS TO PRESENT AT THE END OF MAY

EMAIL <u>RACHEL-GEARY@KYIV.QSI.ORG</u>

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ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES



KOZAK NATION WE'LL BE BACK!



VOLLEYBALL, TRACK AND FIELD AND SWIMMING WILL ALL START/RESUME ON APRIL 12TH, WHEN SCHOOL REOPENS!

KNOWLEDGE BOWL WILL MEET ONLINE DURING THE LOCKDOWN

MS DRAMA WILL START VIRTUALLY ON APRIL 5TH. LOOK FOR DETAILS FROM THE DRAMA COACHES!

TUTOR SNIPPET

Parents,

Does your student need extra support for homework? Is your student struggling with certain subjects?

The benefits of tutoring can include: one-on-one instruction, improved academic performance, improved self-esteem, encourages students to ask questions, facilitates discussions, improves ability to manage time, and more!

We have a tutor list available for you!

Please email corene-anderson@kyiv.qsi.org for more information!