

## KAS Middle School Dance

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# Letter from the Superintendent, Gres Hughes 

Dear Parents,
What school year would be complete without a feature newsletter article about sport at Khartoum American School? Beyond the day to day academics, many of our students take part in one or more of our sporting teams that are available throughout the course of the school year. Whether watching our students take part in the Basketball, Swimming, Soccer, Volleyball or Dodgeball teams, it never ceases to amaze me to see the energy, enthusiasm, and passion that they bring to the court. Win, lose or draw, I am always confident that they will represent the school with pride and put teamwork and sportsmanship above all else.

Our Basketball season has just finished and the highlight was our Varsity Boys Team winning back-to-back championships. This year's team took on a completely new look as Coach Paar was replaced by Coach Hovde, of Amazing Math Contest Fame, and several of our star players from last year were no longer at the school, and in turn, this left the younger generation of Basketballers to defend the title, but defend they did. They dominated in the final match against Unity High School, and in general, did the school proud in terms of flying the KAS flag high.

While several of our other teams played well throughout the season they were unable to reach the same heights as the Varsity Boys. Our Varsity Girls team came the closest, losing the final by a single point. It was agonizing watching the few final minutes tick away without us being able to sink that final basket, but the girls really acquitted themselves well, and I am sure that Coach Shannon and the girls will redeem themselves next year.

With the Basketball season now behind us thoughts turn to Soccer and I am sure that we all wish our teams good luck as the first matches kick-off. I would like to take this opportunity to pass on a huge thank you to all of our coaches who really have contributed so much towards making our sports program such a phenomenal success, and of course an even bigger thank you to our Athletic Director, Justin Kirby whose planning and preparation has been outstanding.

As the year rolls on, I am sure that parents will become more and more aware of sporting activities that will be taking place. This Friday sees the return of our morning soccer club for Elementary students, and I hope that this too will be as successful as last year.

As always, have a great weekend.


## Letter from the Midle and High School Principal Susan Boutros

Dear Parents,
As many of you know, I was away from campus during the week before break. I was part of a Visiting Accreditation Team for the Council of International Schools (CIS) and the Middle States Association (MSA) dual evaluation.

I joined a team of administrators and teachers drawn from other schools from all around the world.

During this visit the team spent time observing classes, examining teaching/learning materials and inspecting the facilities. I talked with staff, Board members, students, and other representatives of the school community in order to gain a better understanding of the school. As a team we prepared a Visiting Team Report covering all aspects of the school's operations and made a recommendation with regard to accredited status to the CIS and MSA Boards. I also had very long conversations with the other members of the visiting team.

The school that I visited was the American International School of Lagos. When I reached Lagos, I was not really excited as I made my way to the school. This was because I already missed KAS and my home in Khartoum and knew that I had a week of really hard work ahead. I was so happily surprised. As soon as I stepped inside the campus, I felt like I was at home! Just like at KAS, there was a marvelous mix of students and teachers from all around the world and there was excitement for education evident in every corner. AISL is an excellent school. At one point, I bumped into a teacher who had been at AISL for a long time. She told that they had had students come from our school before. "You've sent us some wonderful students," she said. "KAS students do really well at AISL," she concluded.

Later in the week, I met one of the Administrators of the school who immediately recognized me as being from Khartoum American School. He said, "I have heard that you have an excellent school in Khartoum."

My visit to AISL and my conversations with qualified administrators and teachers from all around the world made me once again realize what a great school we have. Indeed, we do have wonderful students at KAS and we are doing some wonderful things here. And, as great as my experience was in Lagos, it is wonderful to be back in KAS and back home in Khartoum.


## Elementary ESL Gade 5

Grade 5 ESL students have been applying the Steps of the Writing Process to their writing. They are learning different strategies to pre-write such as drawing, brainstorming or using mind maps. Moreover, they are learning to draft, to revise and to edit their own writing pieces. To complete the final step to the writing process, they have spent time in the computer lab typing up their final drafts. They are very happy to share their writing accomplishments with you.
Great job, Grade 5 ESL!


Bane, Pre-write Sample

## Middle School Dance supported by PTA!!!

KAS is having a dance tonight from 6:30pm to $10: 00$ pm for middle school students! The PTA is generously supporting the students who have been busy selling tickets and planning a bake sale to raise money for their event. The middle school student council also collaborated with the Community Service class to raise money for the dance and local charities. This is the first time that the middle school has organized their own event and the students are very excited. The bake sale took place today at lunch.



## College Testing

Many of our students intend to apply to attend American Colleges and Universities. The majority of these schools look at SAT scores as they contemplate admissions for each candidate. Many of our eleventh and twelfth graders have taken the SAT, and many more intend to take it some time this school year and/or early next year. In order to prepare for this, the school currently offers an SAT math course, and our high school teachers dedicate a lot of time to SAT skills, vocabulary and practice. At the Learning Center, we'd like to do our part regarding SAT preparation. Starting November 21, we will be offering SAT preparation and practice sessions from 2:05 until 3:00 on Mondays and Wednesdays. Eleventh and twelfth graders are welcome.


Here are the winners from last week:
Hafiz Grade 1,
Mohanad Grade 2,
Franke Grade 3, Hafizi Grade 4.
There were no Middle School and High School correct answers.

Elementary School Math problem:
Grade 1: Solve: 25
Grade 2: Create a bar graph, showing the number of boys and the number of girls in Grade 2. How many more boys than girls are there?
Grade 3: Write a funny number story. Show the number model.
Grade 4: Put these numbers in order from smallest to largest: 0.8, 0.008, 0.6, 0.74
Grade 5: Write your own creative multiplication number story. Then, solve the following.
a) List the numbers needed to solve the problem.
b) Describe what you want to find.
c) Open sentence
d) Solution
e) Answer

Middle School Math problem:
If Lance travels 852 miles in 12 hours, how far could he travel in 42 hours, assuming that he could maintain the same rate?

High School Math problem:
With the start of school approaching, a store is planning on having a sale on school materials. They have 600 notebooks, 500 folders and 400 pens in stock, and they plan on packing it in two different forms. In the first package, there will be 2 notebooks, 1 folder and 2 pens, and in the second one, 3 notebooks, 1 folder and 1 pen. The price of each package will be $\$ 6.50$ and $\$ 7.00$ respectively. How many packages should they put together of each type to obtain the maximum benefit?

Solutions from the last week: Grade 1: $\bigcirc \triangle \bigcirc \bigcirc \triangle$ Grade 2: a) Saturday b) 7 c) 12 , Grade 3: $751-478=273$; $\$ 273$, Grade 4: 8, Grade 5: a) 1991, 18 b) The year Carlos turned 18 c) $1991+18=Y$ d) 2009 e) The year 2009, Middle
School: 2521, High School: -12 and -12 with a product of 144


## KAS Sport News

On Thursday, November 3rd, the last basketball game of the 2011 season was played. The 11 \& under boys played at KICS in the 3rd place game against Nile Valley Academy. As soon as the tip off started the game, it was clear our boys were going to do very well. They scored a few times very quickly, and never looked back. The defense was also amazing. In the end, KAS won by a score of 12-0!
Congratulations, boys!
We will now shift our focus to the soccer season. The first games start next week! If you have not signed up for your team yet, you better hurry. You can speak with your coach, or see Mr. Kirby if you are unsure of who to talk to. Good luck this year!

## PIA Bake Sale

The KAS PTA (Parent/Teacher Association) will have a Bake Sale on Thursday, November 24, 2011.

We need your delicious contributions to make this Thursday a sweet success! You can simply send your homemade treats with your child on the day of the Bake Sale. The treats may be dropped off to Ms. Haska in the Library. The bake sale will take place at KAS during lunch time, from 11:31am to $12: 24 \mathrm{pm}$. All proceeds will go to the KAS PTA. If you would like to contribute, please contact us at pta@krtams.org.

Suggestions. Brownies, cookies, popcorn, pancakes, cakes, cupcakes, donuts, etc.


## Dates to Remember

| Thursday, November 20, 2011 | Soccer Season |
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## Wanted: Pre-School Teacher Assistants

Please submit your curriculum vitae by email on: ghughes@krtams.org. We will only accept applications by email.

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blazing fire with red and black colors. Last but not leasty there is a Mickey Restaurant. It has great food like pizzas, pastas, soups, chicken nuggets chicken and hickey's food Also you can let Mickey and his friends sign on your Mickey book. You have to bring the boot that you trave tobulter inside the restaurant. Disney land has excellent games and roller coasters for many reasons. that's why it is a great place togo.

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To begin with, Disney Land has water boat rides. It looks like a roller coaster but the boat is plastic and huge. It's amusing because all my clothes become wet.

Second of all, there are games, like Play Station 3 , Wii , Xbox , hockey, gun games and cars.

There are expeditious roller coasters that go up and then straight down. One of the roller coasters looks like a blazing fire with red and black colors.

Last but not least, there is Mickey's restaurant. It has great food like pizzas, pastas, soups, chicken nuggets and Mickey's food. Mickey's food looks like chicken nuggets shaped like Mickey Mouse with his face on them. Also you can let Mickey and his friends sign on your Mickey book that you have to buy from the counter inside the restaurant.

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Bane Grkovic
10/3/2011
ESL Class

> Naruto

Naruto is a ninja. He is the strongest ninja in the world. He was alone when be was 6 until he was 8 years old. He was the worst student like me. When he was 10 years old he met one old man who told him that he possessed the strongest power from the beast, NINE TALE FOX !!! He can do different kinds of rasengan! He can do: rasengan, rasengan shurican, rasengan barage, Iegendary rasengan and masive rasengan!!! The old man taught him how to do rasengan. Naruto is trying to bring Saske back. Narutos crew will help Naruto to bring Saske back. But he will not win. Naruto will accomplish his dream to become Hokage one day. He can become NINE TALE FOX when he gets so mad. Naruto and I had the same life as me when we were 10 years old. I wish one day I become strong and I wish one day I meat the real Naruto• •


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