

## Letter from the Superintendent, Mr. Steven Alexander

Thank you to all parents, students and teachers for very successful parent conferences during the past two Wednesdays. It was great to see so many parents meeting with teachers.

I would like to remind parents that KAS uses two very good reporting programs that give you quick access to information about what is happening in elementary classrooms and an online grade book that parents of middle and high school students can easily access to keep up to date with their child's academic progress.

## edmodo

This program is accessible for parents who have children in our elementary school. Its applications include reading and assignments. Teachers can post student assignments, collect student responses, post quizzes, load video clips and list a calendar of events and assignments. Students can upload assignments for their teachers to view and grade. Teachers can give instant feedback. Parents can view this website, either through their child's user name or their own account. Parent accounts allow parents to see their child's assignments. Teachers can send information about other school events and even missed assignments by students. Edmodo provides a safe learning environment for students.

## engrade

Engrade is an online grade book that is used by KAS middle and high school teachers. This allows parents to take an active role in their student's progress. It allows teachers to share and create lessons, flashcards, videos, links and online quizzes. Once parents create a free account, they can access their student's grades online anytime they like. Parents can also contact teachers through Engrade. With Engrade parents can know how a student is doing on a continual basis. Teachers can also list on a calendar dates of tests, quizzes and due dates for all assignments.

The best teacher-parent communication is in person through conferences. However, with these programs parents can access up to date information and know important information about what is going on in their child's class and check academic progress to be sure of their child's grades in their classes.

If you are not using these programs you can contact Ms. Egbal, our Computer Coordinator, and she will help you access these informative websites online. You can contact her at emohamed@krtams.org.

Steven Alexander

## Letter from the Middle \& High School Principle, Susan Butros

Dear parents,

## Quarter 3 Report Cards

Today, quarter three report cards will be sent home so please read your son's/daughter's report card over to him/her. If you need to have a discussion with teachers, please contact the school to schedule a meeting. Please also take the time to read over the letter below.

A Letter to my Mom and Dad:
The report card I am bringing home today is a snapshot of myself. This picture will be a time exposure of me that has been developing during the past three months. Considering my many likes and dislikes, my mood changes from day to day, I think it is a pretty good likeness of me. When you see my snapshot, remember this is a report of someone near and dear to you. So, please do not get uptight if you see a blemish. I hope you will accept me as I am and work with me to improve on my areas of weakness. Remember that all children do not learn to talk or walk at the same time, nor do they do math and reading at the same rate, I ask you not to compare me with my brother, my sister, or the kid next door. Help me set realistic goals and help me work to reach my potential.

I want you to understand that my report card is a picture of my school progress. When you look at it, you will learn many things about my life at school, even some things that might surprise you. My teacher knows me as I am at school. You know how I am at home. The real me is somewhere in between. When these two pictures become blended with acceptance and understanding, I hope my snapshot will be a shining portrait.

Your Child
(Author unknown)

The Approved School Calendar for Academic SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015 WILL BE SENT TO YOUR EMAIL.

## August 17, 2014 First Day of School



When a person is described as Mealy Mouthed the implication is they are unwilling to speak plainly or openly about something, in case what they have to say offends. It is often used as a derogatory term for somebody who is trying to please others. Its origin can be found as a phonetic adaptation from the ancient Greek 'melimuthos' which means, literally, 'honey speak'.

## Arablc at IKAS

Student's letter for the enews


## Student's Córner

## Introducing the Students' Corner

My name is Mariam M.ElSanousi a grade 10 student here in KAS. I've been in this school for almost 8 years. I joined the high school elective course "Basic Skills for Journalism" because I'm so passionate about learning journalism. One of my class requirements is to participate in the school newsletter. So I created this corner to share with the KAS community what is happening around school.


This Saturday 5th 2014, we will be coming back to school for 2 events. There will be a college fair that both Middle and High school students will attend. The fair will be held in the US Embassy and is an excellent opportunity for our students to get an idea about universities around the world. On the same day, Ms. Leena's GOAL group is hosting a KAS SPORTS DAY! There will be different sports such as Capture The Flag, Soccer, Basketball, and Volleyball. Also don't miss the STUDENT VS. TEACHER'S basketball game at the end! See you there!

## Enioying the outidoorel

Children at the Nursery level learn mostly through play. That is why we make sure that we provide our little ones with a stimulating environment both indoors and outdoors. Today we'll talk about how the outdoors provides a great opportunity for their overall development.



## Kassporis

It was truly amazing to see 40 students in the pool at the same time escaping the heat and churning the azure pool into a frenzy of bones and arms gliding, and splashing through the water.

The three KAs Swim Squads are busy training hard and we trust that these swimmers will show their parents on Thursday May 1, 2014 what they can do.

## Volleyball

Miss Erika and her troops are busy spiking and digging on the Volleyball court, and the senior girls are having a blast. We will host Unity High School for Senior Volleyball. Dates will be confirmed in our next ENEWS letter.

