

September 11th 2020

Dear Parents,

We have had another successful week as students have adjusted to the new routines and have become familiar with expectations. We have been able to relax some of the protocols for PE and sports activities, and for allowing students to do group work in the classroom. We are still social distancing where possible and appreciate your support in modelling this at pick up and drop off times. Hand Sanitizing, mask-wearing and surface cleaning are still areas of diligence throughout the school.

Mr Paul has shared some important information about daily “Contact Tracing “ requirements by the Ministry of Education. We have tried to make this an easy process for everyone as we all need to comply. Thank you for your continued support. Here is the link in case you need it again.

Coffee Meetings

A big thank you to everyone for attending our back to school coffee meetings, we hope you found the presentations informative and useful. Copies of the presentations will be uploaded to the blogs for you to review. If you have any questions about the programme please contact your child’s homeroom teacher or Gerry and I in the office.

We have now set dates for the EY2 and EY3 back to school meetings, these will take place:

- Wednesday, September 23rd EY2 - 8:00 am in the auditorium
- Tuesday, September 22nd EY3 - 8:00 am in the auditorium

We will organize an EY1 coffee meeting to take place after the conferences.

The agenda will include a brief introduction by Mr Paul, followed by a community update from myself and then an introduction to the teachers and specific information about your child’s class. We look forward to seeing you there.

Parent Workshops and Forums

We have arranged several parent workshops and forums for you, beginning with an ICT workshop relating to the platforms and programmes used in primary school. Dates and further information can be found on the Primary Community Blog.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Our parent-teacher conferences will take place after the long weekend, starting Monday, September 28th. The sign-up sheets will be available next week, please [click here](#) for additional information regarding sign-ups and dates.

Blogs

Please register for your child's grade level blog, you can access the blog portal via the website at www.kis.ac.th. By clicking on the red portal tab you can access not just your grade level information but a wealth of other school news, updates and information to help you keep informed. Our blogs are updated every week and are always current, don't miss out, subscribe to your grade, and any others you may be interested in for email notification of updates.

Staffing Updates

We are pleased to welcome Ms Lindsay back after her maternity leave, we are all happy to see her back and working with the Library team.

In the Early Years, Ms Dinnhe Krebs in will be joining Ms Sian, in EY1. Dinnhe has experience with the Primary Years Programme and with early learners and will bring her experience and knowledge to the team.

Ms Cassie Blythe will also join our team as the PYP coordinator. Cassie has previous experience as a PYP coordinator, we are looking forward to her collaborating with the teams, and sharing her experiences here at KIS

Swimming Programme

We are planning to start our swimming programme after the September long weekend. We will send further information shortly. This is just a "heads-up" so you can make sure you have the KIS swimsuit, a cap and towel ready for the start of the programme. Your child's teacher will provide more information about what is needed shortly.

MAP testing

Our Grade 3-5 students begin their MAP assessments on Monday, these will be ongoing until the Midterm break. Information about the assessment process, schedules and how you can support your child can be found on the PYP Community Blog.

If you have any questions about any of the information shared here please do not hesitate to drop me line at junev@kis.ac.th.

Warm regards and Many thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "June van den Bos". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

June van den Bos

Primary School Principal