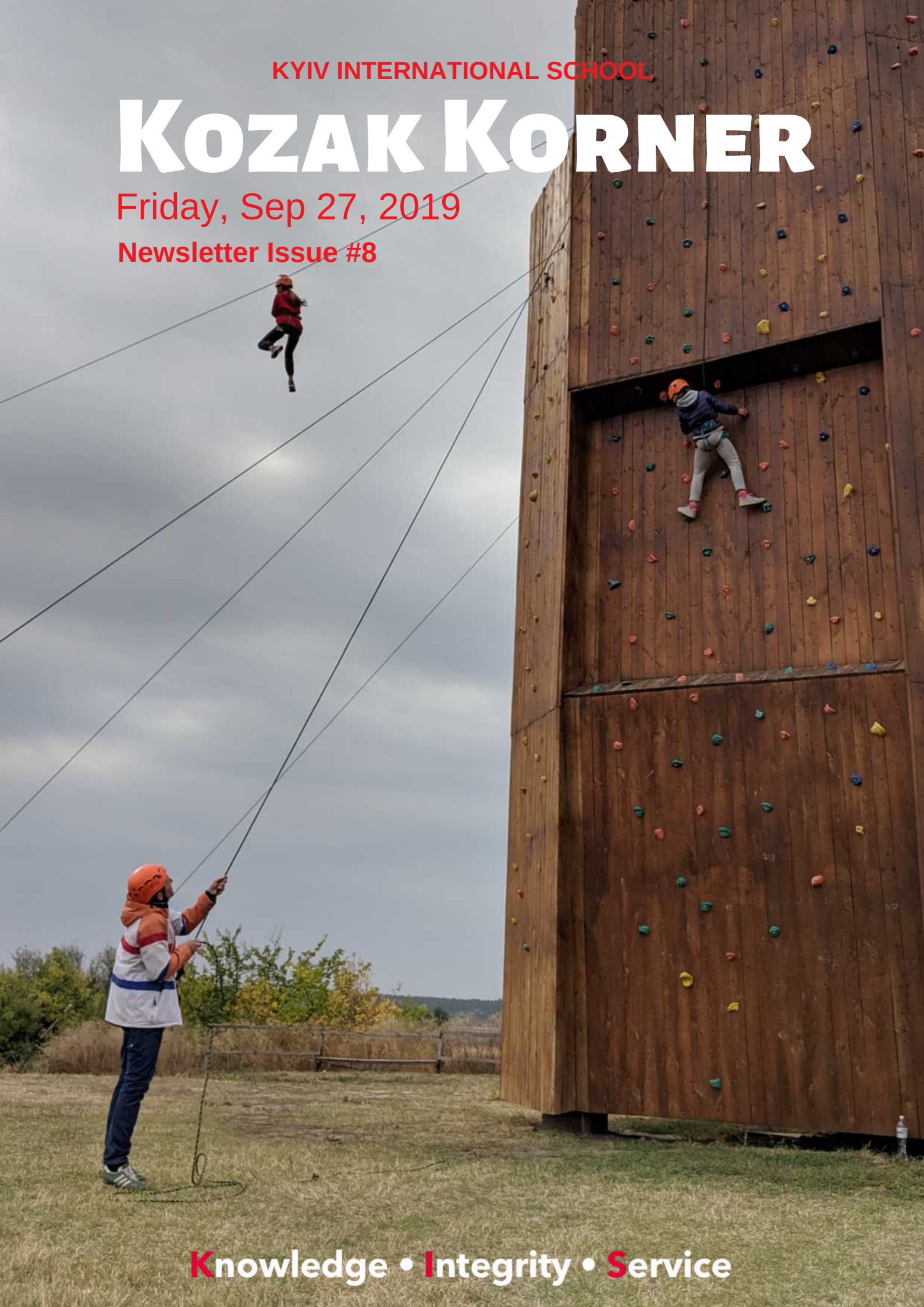


KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

KOZAK KORNER

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Newsletter Issue #8



Knowledge • Integrity • Service

SCHOOL CALENDARS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

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September

28: PTO Garage Sale

30: Elementary Soccer Tournament

October

1: Blue Shirt Day

2-4: Individual Student Portraits

4: Elementary Soccer Tournament

5: International Night

5: SAT Exam

7: PTO Preschool and Elementary
Parent Lunch

9: MAP Test Parent Workshop

10: PTO Middle and Secondary School
Parent Lunch

11: Status Reports Issued

14 - 18: Fall Break

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GOOD EATS

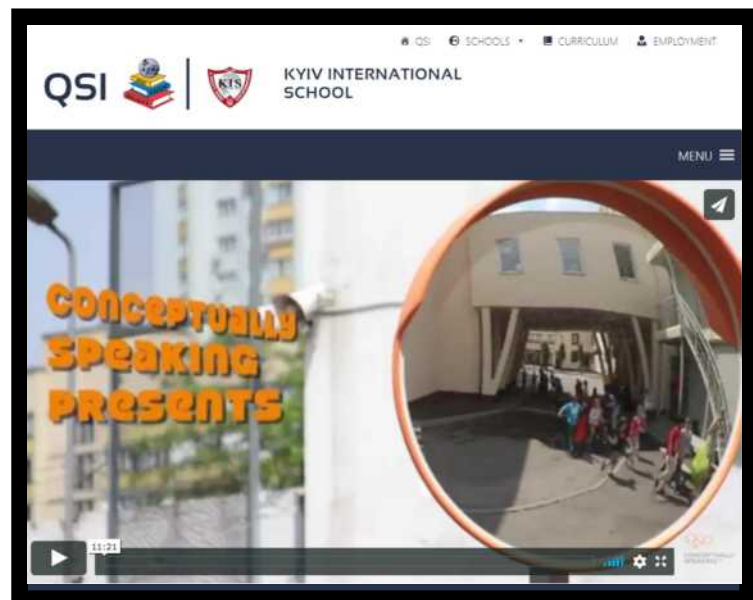
AT KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Visit kfn catering.school for our weekly menu



SCHOOL CALENDAR

2010 - 2020 SCHOOL YEAR



NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE: KYIV.QSI.ORG

QSI is in the process of updating and improving the online experience for our school community. While the transition from our old website to the new one is underway, you might experience download delays or missing information. Thank you for your patience during this process.

A NOTE FROM QSI HEADQUARTERS

QSI Systems Accreditation

This summer, a group of QSI educators and some outside stakeholders from the US State Department came together to begin work on the process of becoming accredited as a system.

The first step in this process was to start the "self-study," which is when we examine our strengths and weaknesses and come up with a strategic plan and goals to accentuate these strengths and try to improve on our weaknesses.

What is systems accreditation and why are we moving in this direction?

Systems Accreditation is the process of accrediting QSI as a system, as well as accrediting individual QSI schools under the QSI umbrella. This type of accreditation is perfectly suited for QSI as our organization is: a legal entity; a system comprising more than one component school; led by a single governing body; bound by common foundational documents, including the QSI Mission and QSI Philosophy.

Systems Accreditation is the logical next step for QSI as a growing organization.

When a school seeks accreditation, the school looks critically at all areas of functioning and creates a school improvement plan. Schools will continue to create their own improvement plans, and additionally QSI will create an organizational improvement plan that will strengthen the functioning of QSI as a whole.

QSI



According to Middle States Association (MSA), "*The Systems Approach examines school systems as a whole, ensuring that all levels are strategically aligned and working collaboratively to meet common goals and grow and improve student performance.*"

What's next?

The first step in the Systems accreditation process is for QSI to seek accreditation as an organization. QSI will complete its self-study in 2020, and will hopefully gain this system accreditation by 2021. Once QSI HQ is accredited, then individual schools can begin seeking Systems accreditation.

Each school will still complete an individual school self-study, host an MSA visiting team, and receive an individual accreditation certificate. We hope all individual schools will be accredited under Systems by 2024.

If you have any questions about this process, please talk to your school's Director.

Sincerely,

Debbie Downs

Accreditation Coordinator

Quality Schools International

SEPTEMBER 28

SEPTEMBER, 28

YARD

SALE

9:00 AM - 13:00 PM

3A Svyatoshinsky Provulok
Kiev International School parking area!



OCTOBER 1

WEAR BLUE

WORLD DAY OF BULLYING PREVENTION™™



Blue Shirt Day, our annual school-wide celebration of bully-free culture at Kyiv International School, is being observed on Tuesday, 1 October.

The World Day of Bullying Prevention kicks off the month of Bullying Prevention Awareness Month each October.

On the **1st of October** all members of the school community should wear blue to signify our commitment to stop bullying.

Students and staff will gather on the field for a sing-along and group photo 9th period.

Let's all **#blueup** to celebrate our commitment to being bully-free!



OCTOBER 1

INDIVIDUAL PORTRAITS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

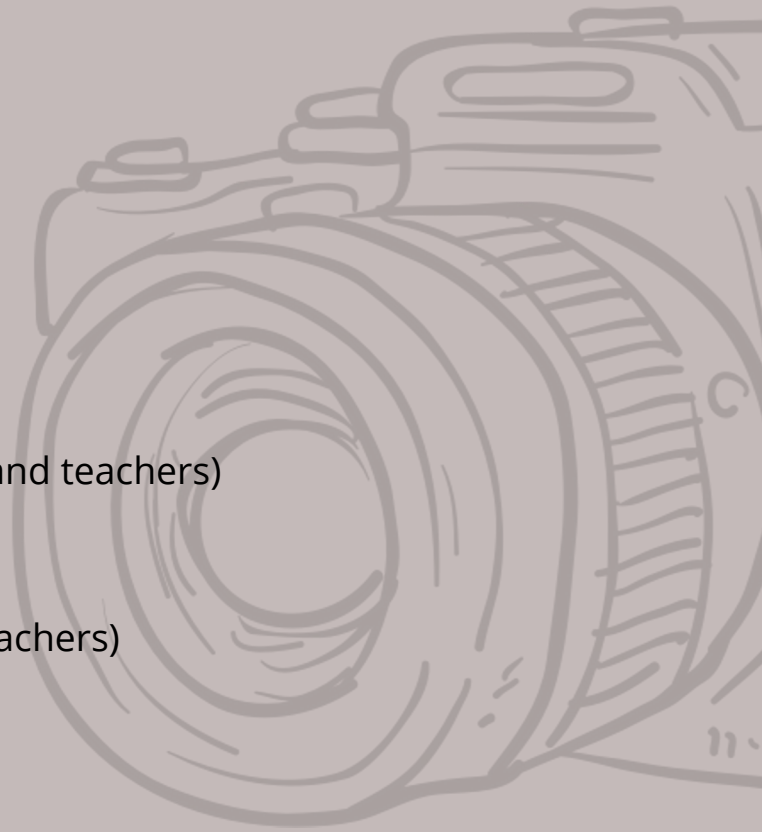
PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY (students and teachers)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

MIDDLE & SECONDARY (students and teachers)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

ALL RETAKES, ALL staff



OCTOBER 5

KIS invites you to...

International Night!

Saturday, Oct. 5th, 5:00-7:30

Our Favorite KIS Event, International Night is fast approaching! This is an opportunity for the entire KIS community to meet, socialize, and share a bit of their culture with others. Contact your compatriots to see if together, you can represent your country at this event.



Enjoy food from around the world!

Host a table with a display of pictures and food and drink samples (preferably non-alcoholic).

To **BOOK A TABLE** contact
ludmila-stetskova@kyiv.qsi.org

Choose a few children to carry your country's flag in the Opening Flag Parade.

For information about the **FLAG PARADE** contact olga-kardash@kyiv.qsi.org



Join the Flag Parade!

Demonstrate a dance from your country and come to the event wearing your national costume.

If you would like to **SET UP A PERFORMANCE** contact kateryna-anyshchenko@kyiv.qsi.org



Share your culture!

For **GENERAL INFORMATION** contact patricia-shapka@kyiv.qsi.org

OCTOBER 7 AND 10

ANNUAL PTO LUNCHEONS

Parents are invited to join the Kyiv International School PTO as we host our annual luncheon. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the board of the PTO, the school's leadership team, as well as fellow members of the school community.

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OCTOBER 7

PRESCHOOL AND ELEMENTARY

OCTOBER 10

MIDDLE AND SECONDARY SCHOOL

12:00PM TO 2:30PM



OCTOBER 9

KIS New Cafeteria

NWEA MAP PARENT MEETING

Map Assessments: A Parent's Guide

Presented by Cheri Carpenter

QSI Regional MAP Trainer



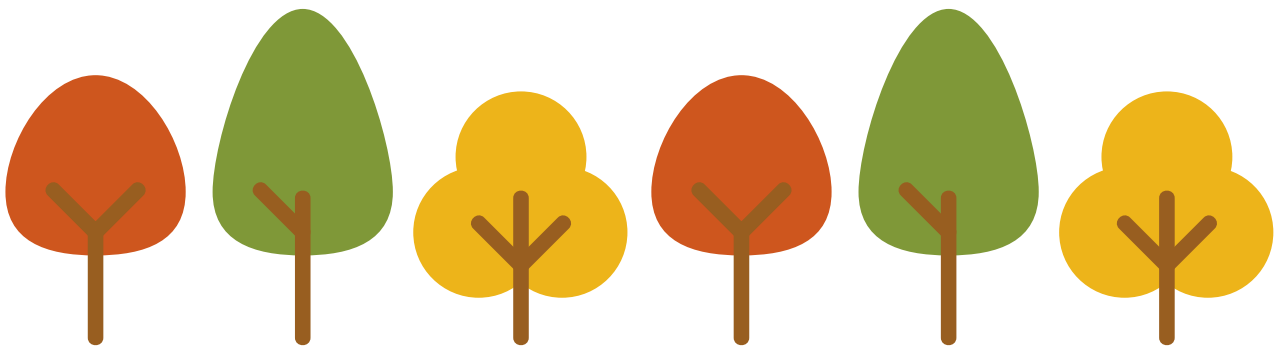
**October 9, 2019
8:30-9:30**

OCTOBER 14 TO 18

**WEEK OF
OCTOBER
14 TO 18**

**SCHOOL
HOLIDAY**

FALL BREAK



OCTOBER 31 TO NOVEMBER 3

KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

CROSS COUNTRY

RUN

TEAM

DISCLAIMER

Rain, sleet, snow, wind.
Forests, hills, mud & bugs.
We run, run, run.
Mondays.
Wednesdays.
Fridays.
3:45pm till 5:15pm.

INGREDIENTS

Work.
Hard work.
Fresh Air.
Nature.
Joy.
Strength.
Endurance.
Kozak Pride.



CEESA CHAMPIONSHIPS, KYIV UKRAINE
OCTOBER 31 TO NOVEMBER 3

NOVEMBER 10

November 10th

— Take part in a —

Global Kindness FlashMob!

WWW.DANCEFORKINDNESS.COM



Kyiv International School invites our campus community to join us for the 2019 Dance for Kindness (www.danceforkindness.com) event.

Contact kateryna-munteanu@kyiv.qsi.org for details.

STUDENT PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photo by Nell Castillo

PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Hello from the PTO,

We are busy getting ready for the Garage Sale on Saturday, September 28. This year's yard sale is open to the whole neighborhood.

While at the yard sale, please consider donating books, puzzles, board and card games to the PTO - we will have our very popular 4th Annual PTO Used Book Sale in November fundraising for the December Winter Festival.



You might not be aware that we have to raise all our funds for all of our events so every little bit helps in creating unforgettable events for our children and the whole community.

New Spirit Day long and short-sleeved T-shirts in all sizes as well as Kindness bracelets are available at the PTO Shop (open Mon-Wed-Fri afternoons and Tue mornings) for Blue Shirt Day (anti-bullying) which is celebrated worldwide as well as at KIS. Children are encouraged to wear blue on October 1 and everything you need is available at the PTO Shop.

Talking about the shop - we get many requests to sell various items but unfortunately our shop policy only allows us to sell educational material and spirit wear displaying the school logo. Thank you for your understanding.

Our annual parent lunches are coming up - we have two dates, October 7 for pre-school and elementary school and October 10 for middle school and high school parents. School administration and department counselors will join us for this social event and it's a great opportunity to chat and mingle - and try Ronin's delicious food.

We are still looking for volunteers for the Fall Festival. Email us if you'd like to be involved and we'll add you to our viber chat group.

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas to discuss, you can always join us for our weekly PTO Coffee Morning in the lobby which begins right after drop off. Or email us about anything. Our email is pto@kyiv.qsi.org

Robotics at Kyiv International School



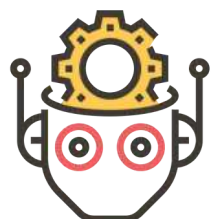
After school on Wednesdays and Fridays, 20+ middle school students join robotics enthusiasts/coaches Nancy Steedle, Bill Rech and Artem Sydorenko.

Mr. Rech explained his passion for MS robotics: students find thousands of ways to fail, but they keep going, creating, innovating, building and then it happens the code works, their bot works, and everything is right in the universe.

The Middle School Robotics team will travel to Budapest in November to compete in the CEESA competition.

Currently, students are working in groups of four to design, build, and program their Lego-based robots to solve problems related to this year's challenge theme called City Shapers through the First Lego League. Ten students will travel with coaches in November to Budapest to compete.

To get an idea about the challenges our MS robotics students are focused on this fall, check out the challenge kick-off video at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y_mTQZQ8Kzc



STAY ENGAGED. BE INFORMED.

KOZAK CONNECT

FOR PARENTS

Campus **News & Updates** directly to your favorite messaging app.

1. Pick a messaging app and **scan** the **QR Code**
2. Or **click** the QR Code to open invitation link.
3. Follow instructions on screen to **join a broadcast**.
4. All broadcast are private, secure and peer to peer.



Facebook Messenger



Telegram



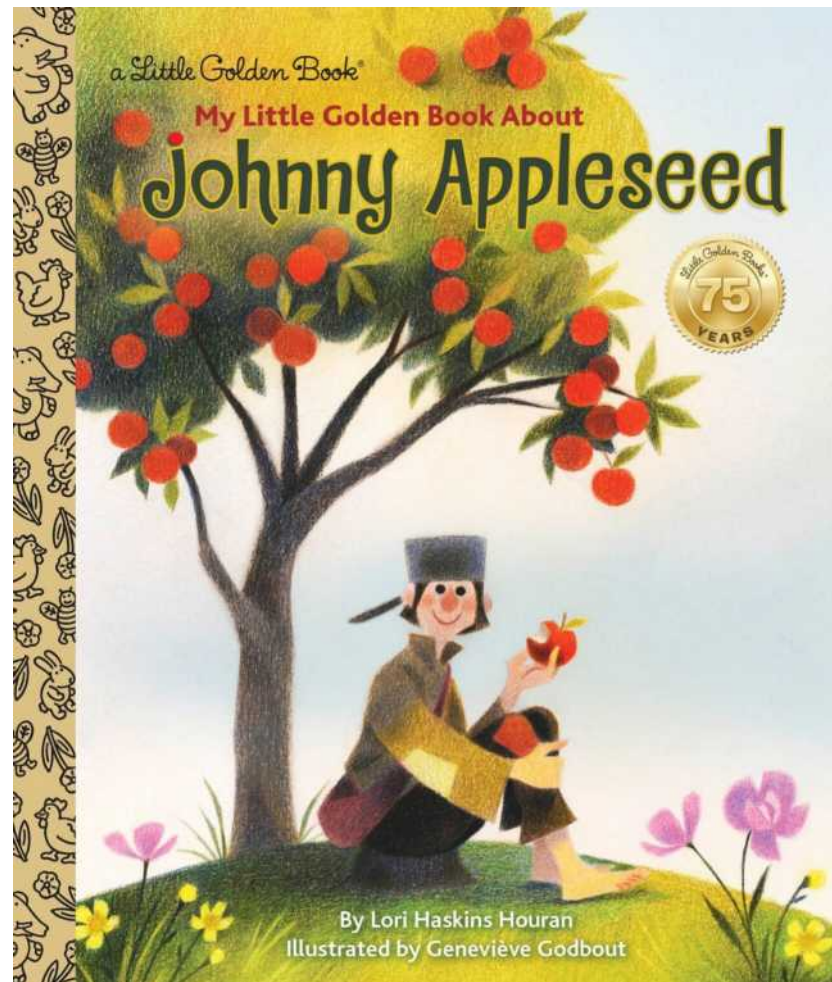
WhatsApp



Viber

Having problems joining a broadcast?

Email kozakconnect@qsi.org for technical assistance.



4F Class

This past week in class, Mrs. Freemont's students have been learning about and celebrating Johnny "Appleseed" Chapman.

On Monday, the students watched a cartoon about Johnny and learned how to juice apples. On Wednesday, they read a book about apples and made some delicious applesauce. And on Friday, they made apple pie in a cup.

The whole week was very a-peel-

MIDDLE SCHOOL



Cultural Studies Highlight: Ancient China Party

One of the student's favorite ways to start the school year in Mrs. Herndon's class is the Ancient China Party, celebrating the end of EU1: Ancient China.

This year, the 12s shared cultural foods, participated in a LEGO Great Wall of China building activity, tried their hand at the ancient art of Chinese calligraphy, and worked on creating an army of terra cotta soldiers out of clay.

What a thrilling way to end the first unit!

11 Year Old Week Without Walls Program



A great time was had by the 44 students and 5 staff who attended the 11 year old Week Without Walls program at Camp Maximum this past week. Check out more photos and videos at www.instagram.com/kyiv_qsi. #teambuilding #groupinteraction



IB Extended Essay is Underway

If you were tasked to write a 16 page research paper, what would write about? What are you interested in? How do you decide on a topic? How do you come up with something unique and original? These are the questions that the Year 1 IB students are currently examining. Students seem both frustrated and excited about the opportunity to research topics of their desire.

Currently, these Year 1 students are mapping out their individual interests in hopes it leads to a unique and exciting research question. Meanwhile, the Year 2 students are much further into the research and writing process as they are putting their final touches on their first drafts. Here are some of the topics being explored:

To what extent does the Uber Eats business model economically benefit B2B, costumers, and partners in the development food sector?

Do some types of analgesics dissolve more than others in the same time period, and how does the pH of the solvent influence the amount of the analgesics dissolved?

What effect have gender ideals have on the differences and similarities between Beauty and the Beast and the retelling Beastily?

To what extend did Frida Kahlo's health complication throughout her whole life impact her art style?

How does monopolistic power of KFN affect consumers at KIS?

To what extent did the war in Afghanistan have on the eventual fall on the USSR?

How did the negative treatment of US Vietnam veterans affect them economically and psychological compared to WW II veterans?

In November, Year 2 students will have completed their extended essays and will share their papers and reflections with the community. So be on the look out for this event.



Up to the Standard

If you walk into most higher level science classes and ask students “what industry do you want to impact when you graduate from school?, “ the most common answer is the medical field. Whether it be doctors, psychologists, pharmacists, it is a popular field of study. But it takes a certain kind of person, with specific skills to be successful in this field.

Two skills necessary for medical careers are accuracy and patience. And this is exactly what was being practiced in IB Chemistry this week. Students were learning to make Standard Solutions; these are solutions with a known concentration of a substance and are used in analytical analysis of unknown solutions.

Next class, these standard solutions will be used to test unknown chemicals.

If the standards are up to the standard, students will be successful and will be able to correctly analyze the unknown solutions.

If they did not meet the standards.....they will have to do it again. They will repeat the process until they have mastered the skill of accuracy and patience.



Behind the Scenes - Holiday Concert

Every year, in every school worldwide puts on a holiday music show. The audience is festive, the performers are filled with nerves, adrenaline and excitement.

Shows are usually under 60 minutes long and when the final curtain is closed, a huge sigh of relief is heard because regardless of what happened all year, the show was a success.

So, what does happen all year? In May, KIS students help decide on next year's program and repertoire. Mr. A then purchases and rearranges the music to the students' readiness and availability.

By the first day of school, secondary students are starting to learn their individual parts, measure by measure. They are taking notes, learning new skills, new vocabulary all in the effort to make many voices sound as one. It is a long, sometime trying process, but the growth of the students and final product makes it all worth it!

INTENSIVE ENGLISH



Team work during IE classes

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH



On **Monday, September 16**, the Spanish Club had the first meeting dedicated to the celebration of the **Independence Day of Mexico**.



We are thankful to Mrs. Becerra and her group of volunteers for organizing the event, to our creative IB students for decorations and to our staff for coming and celebrating with us.

Kozak Soccer



- Monday September 30, 1 PM HSG vs. Kyiv Club at KIS
- Monday Sep 30, KIS Club team HSB 5.00 pm at KIS
- Friday October 4th, 4 PM HSG vs PSI

KSSL Race Results

This past Thursday our Middle School Cross Country team ran in their first race of the year. The Kozaks sent five runners to compete on the 2.5k course.

All of our student athletes did an excellent job of representing #kozaknation... especially Mykola Zadikara (Nick) took 2nd place.

Congratulations Kozaks!

Coaches Herndon, Herndon and Thompson.



ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES

THERE IS A LOT GOING ON FOR STUDENTS AT KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL.

Soccer
Cross Country
Student Council Choir
Knowledge Bowl Basketball
Dance Crew Math Counts
Speech and Debate Volleyball
Cross Fit Kung Fu Robotics
Environmental & Service Initiative
Media Crew MUN Cultural Arts
National Arts Honor Society
Sports & Activities Council
National Honor Society Drama
Chess Club Table Tennis
Dance for Kindness
Track and Field
Swimming



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Kozak 30

Student Life and Activities

Kozak 30 is a daily block of time at Kyiv International School dedicated to student led activities and is used to promote **Student Engagement** in **Mastery Learning**, **Leadership Development** and **Extracurricular Activities**.

Students have the freedom to chose what they do each day as **Kozak 30** is a time for them to cultivating interest and skills in a wide range of activities



Monday

Academic Support and **Quiet Study** in the Student Center
Band Camp and **Podcasting** in the Recording Studio
Basketball in the Old Gym
Chess Club in the Coffee Classroom
Chill Zone in the Student Center and on the Gym Top
Soccer in the Cage and Blacktop
Table Tennis in the Student Center
Yoga in the MPR



Tuesday

Academic Support and **Quiet Study** in the Student Center
Band Camp and **Podcasting** in the Recording Studio
Chess Club in the Coffee Classroom
Chill Zone in the Student Center and on the Gym Top
Dance and **Cheer** in the Student Center
Soccer in the Cage and Blacktop
Table Tennis in the Student Center
Volleyball in the Old Gym



Wednesday

Academic Support and **Quiet Study** in the Student Center
Badminton in the Old Gym
Band Camp and **Podcasting** in the Recording Studio
Basketball in the Old Gym
Chess Club in the Coffee Classroom
Chill Zone in the Student Center and on the Gym Top
 Secondary **Keeping Safe** Curriculum
Soccer in the Cage and Blacktop
Table Tennis in the Student Center



Thursday

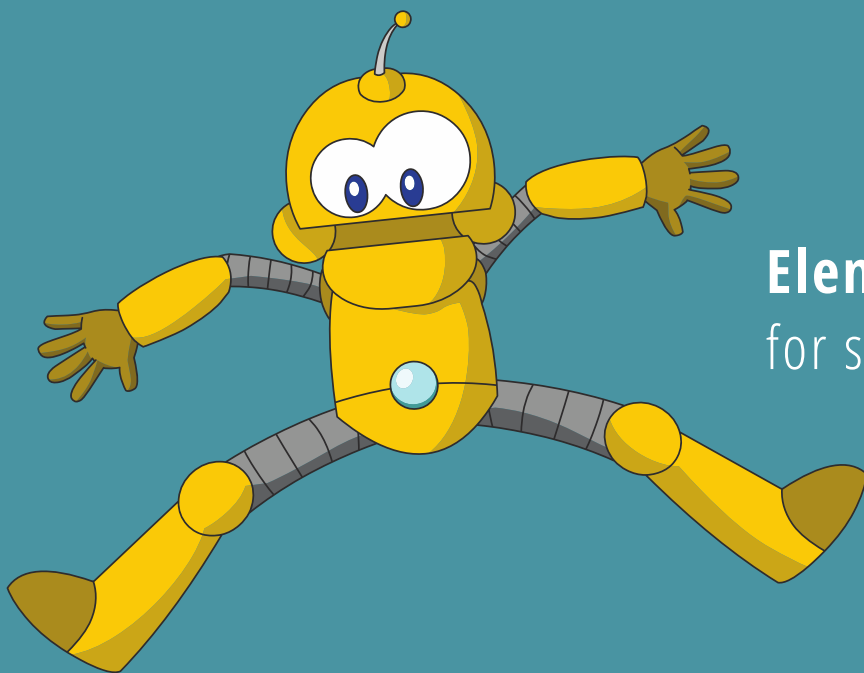
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Friday

Academic Support and **Quiet Study** in the Student Center
Band Camp and **Podcasting** in the Recording Studio
Chess Club in the Coffee Classroom
Chill Zone in the Student Center and on the Gym Top
Dance and **Cheer** in the Student Center
Soccer in the Cage and Blacktop
Table Tennis in the Student Center
Volleyball in the Old Gym





Elementary Activities
for students ages 5 through 10

KOZAK 45

Session 1: September 2 to November 1

Session 2: November 12 to January 24

Session 3: February 4 to April 3

Session 4: April 14 to June 5

kozak45@kyiv.qsi.org

Student Life and Activities
Kyiv International School

STUDENT LIFE



KYIV INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL AND WEEKEND ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES

PRESCHOOL SOCCER

STUDENTS AGES 4 - 5

9:00AM TO 10:00AM.

STUDENTS AGES 2 - 3

10:00AM TO 11:00AM.

SATURDAYS

SEPTEMBER 21 & 28, OCTOBER
5 & 26, NOVEMBER 2 & 9.

THE FEE IS 400 UAH AND INCLUDES A T-SHIRT.

FC Kozaks with Coach Alex

Ages 9-11 on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays.

Ages 7-8 on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

The Cage. 4:00pm to 5:30pm



Basketball with Coach Masha

Ages 9-11 on Tuesdays & Thursdays.

The Old Gym. 4:00pm to 5:00pm



Gymnastics with Coach Nadiya

Ages 9-11 on Wednesdays & Fridays.

The MPR. 3:45pm to 4:30pm



Parkour with Coach Ivan Karate with Coach Natasha

Saturdays in October.



CONTACT KOZAK45@KYIV.QSI.ORG FOR INFORMATION.

CLASSIFIEDS

IWCK INTEREST GROUP



PYSANKA

TO JOIN EMAIL LYDIA
MATIASZEK
LMATIASZEK@YAHOO.COM



Purchase the latest and greatest **#kozaknation** gear from the PTO store. Open daily.

Piano teacher is available.
Jazz, classic, pop music, etc.
Only for Russian speaking adults
and children. Close to KIS (7 min
walking). Vitaliy 0937269283

Are you offering a service that
would benefit the Kyiv
International School
community? Submit your
advertising request to
kozakconnect@qsi.org.



Join the **Ukrainian Pickleball Association** every Wednesday (7pm to 10pm) and Sunday (10am to 1pm) in the new gym at Kyiv International School. No experience required. Equipment and instruction provided.