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Re: Holy Month of Ramadan, Examinations, Spring Holidays & Third Term Events.

Dear Secondary Parents,

We are in the Holy Month of Ramadan. Ramadan is the ninth month in the Islamic calendar and is a period of fasting, prayer, self-control, charity and goodwill to others.

During this sacred month, we have implemented the following adjustments:

- **Timing of Secondary lessons during:** The school hours have been reduced during the Month of Ramadan, starting at 08.00 am and finishing at 1.00 pm. Our students are regularly attending school during the month of Ramadan. Lessons have continued as normal and the high standards of teaching & learning have remained in place. Our aim is to ensure that our pupils are given the opportunities to achieve their full potential.
- **Canteen:** The canteen has been closed during the whole month of Ramadan. Secondary students who are not fasting, were bringing their own food and drinks.
- **Physical Education lessons:** PE lessons were carried on as usual with some modifications.

Special Activities during the month of Ramadan:

- **Gurgian:** Gurgian was celebrated on March 24, 2024.
- **Iftar:** Iftar is the meal to break the fast after sunset. Our Student Council organized a special Iftar in the theatre on March 28, 2024. It was successfully planned by our students' council executives: Hassan, Head Boy; Farah, Head Girl and Cedra, Prefect. Our objective is to develop the leadership skills of our senior students.

Examinations:

We have now entered the crucial period of examinations; please ensure that your child is well prepared and manage the religious duties of Ramadan with their studies. I want your child to achieve the best he/she possibly can in all aspects of his/her work including performance in examinations.

❖ KNES Internal Examinations – Secondary Second Term Examination (April 2024 session)

Ramadan falls within our second term examination season (March 27, 2024 – April 08, 2024).

Note: Since the Government has officially announced that Thursday April 04, 2024 is a holiday; examinations scheduled for Thursday April 04, 2024 will take place on Sunday April 21, 2024. (After the holiday!)

❖ Cambridge External Examinations from the United Kingdom (June 2024 session):

The following External examinations from Cambridge will be taking place during the Holy Month of Ramadan:

- Saturday March 23, 2024 - First Language English (Speaking) - Examiner Mr. Michael.
- April 02, 03, 2024 - Foreign Language Arabic (Speaking) - Examiner: Mr. Omar.
- Saturday April 06, 2024 - English as a Second Language (Speaking) – Examiner: Mr. Michael.

Spring holiday: (Sunday April 14, 2024 – Thursday April 18, 2024)

Our Secondary Second Term examinations session are running smoothly. After the examination session we will have our Spring holiday (Sunday April 14, 2024 – Thursday April 18, 2024).

Important dates for your diary for the Third Term (April 21, 2024 – June 13, 2024):

I want to remind you of some important dates for your diary for the third term (April 21, 2024 – June 13, 2024):

Date	Activity
Sunday April 21, 2024	Starts of Third Term
Thursday April 25, 2024	Second Term Reports to parents
Thursday April 25, 2024	UK Mathematics Challenge (Y7, 8 & 9)
April 30 & May 01, 2024	Secondary Parental Meetings
Thursday May 30, 2024	Secondary Graduation ceremony

Date	Activity
June 02 – 06, 2024	Secondary Third Term Examination
Monday June 10, 2024	End of Third Term for students.
Wednesday June 12, 2024	Third Term reports to parents.
June 16 – August 29, 2024	Summer holiday
Sunday September 01, 2024	Start of First Term Academic Year 2024/2025.

Thank you for your continued support. Ramadan Kareem to our KNES community.

Yours sincerely,

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