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# KIBS Newsletter

Local roots, global understanding

# Have a lovely Autumn break!

The KIBS team would like to wish all of you a relaxing half term holiday.



#### **KIBS News:**

New staff: We are welcoming two new staff members to our team - from 1st October, Ms Laura Büttner and Ms Melina Oppermann start their apprenticeships here at KIBS. This practical work-experience here at KIBS is part of their dual study programme in social work. As part of this course, both will work in the KITA and school on a fortnightly basis for the next three and a half years. Also joining us to teach German and German immersion in primary school is Jannik Bade. Please find their introductions in the separate attachments to this newsletter. We wish them a fantastic start!

Apetito: At the beginning of the new school year, the transfer to Apetito came with some organisational challenges. Despite the difficulties, we are finally on the right track! To ensure that everything runs smoothly, we have a request for you: It takes on average up to 5 banking days for your transfer to be credited to the Apetito account - only then can you order the food for your child. The easiest way is to set up a monthly standing order with a fixed amount so that there is always enough credit on your account. When ordering, please always click on "continuous orders without an end date" (the activation for continuous orders takes about 24 hours, so it would not be valid for the next school day). You do not need to worry about the closing times or holidays and excursions. Apetito receives the appropriate information from us, you don't need to cancel lunch or worry about having to remember this. Only in case of illness will you have to log in to the system and cancel the meal for your child by 8 am.

#### Important dates:

1st November: Halloween Parties / 9th November: Lantern Parade KITA (16:30 Uhr)



#### iPads in lessons

Finally - the iPad learning in our primary school has begun! In the next newsletter we will be able to tell you about our coding



#### Reminder - PE kit

Please remember to buy the sports clothing for PE lessons. A sports shirt and long or short trousers are necessary - our website brings you to the Dress for School order page.



#### **Staff Parking**

Please remember . The first two bays on the left are reserved for staff members only.

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## Interview with Mr Paul

#### Our head students interviewed Mr Paul:

#### Why do you think the iPad was the right choice for KIBS?

We compared many manufacturers in the educational technology market before we chose the iPad. Microsoft and Samsung were also on the list. But in the end it wasn't that we decided on a specific product, but on a set of competencies. These are competencies that have to be taught in a school in the 21st century. For example, communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity. The iPad with its mobility was, of course, already at the forefront. You can carry it back and forth from classroom to classroom and you can also use it outside. But we're even more enthusiastic about the multimedia aspect of the iPad. The iPad is not just a tablet, it is also a camera, magnetometer, barometer, sound studio and it can do a lot more. In the end, other criteria were added, such as data protection, price and, of course, durability - the devices can fall down and survive unharmed. All these criteria ultimately led us to want to use the iPads in class.

What exactly are your tasks as head of educational technology here at KIBS?

My tasks at KIBS are very varied. Together with the school management, I am responsible for the media pedagogical orientation of the school, i.e. which media are used in which way in lessons. I am also responsible for creating media pedagogical concepts or training teachers in the use and handling of media and also in teaching about media. Finally, I also take care of some technical aspects such as the preparation of the iPads, in case you forgot your password, you also come to me. I also take care of the strategic planning of the infrastructure, i.e. with questions like: does the wireless work, is the bandwidth of the connection high enough? Very few people know that I do all these tasks not only for KIBS, but also for six other schools of the Oskar Kämmer School.



#### What is your opinion about "screen time" and media safety?

I think that especially in our society, which is very much shaped by digital media, it is extremely important that pupils are trained in how to deal with media. Topics such as data protection, privacy, respect and self-protection, but also a critical approach to one's own media consumption are very essential. If we compare that now: many adults didn't learn these skills at school, they couldn't because they didn't even have a smartphone at the time. So it doesn't surprise me much when I sit in a restaurant in the evening and see a smartphone lying on the table, or when I see a driver in traffic looking at a screen, or when many adults send their last message or e-mail before going to bed. These are all times, for example, when a smart device simply should not have a place in our life at that given moment. Moreover, who actually sticks to using a new password for each website, which is ideally changed every three months? These are some of the things I think summarise topics like screen time and media education: there are times when digital media should be - and can be - used very safely and productively, if you have learned how to do so. But there are just as many times when the devices should simply remain switched off and out of reach - and by that I don't mean in the trouser or jacket pocket, where it can quickly be retrieved at any moment, but in the schoolbag or in the briefcase.

#### Do you think Apple will continue to lead the way for KIBS in the future?

I've already thought a lot about that. Technological development is progressing rapidly, so maybe we first need to look back a little. The first iPhone on the market was launched in 2007. The iPad came onto the market in 2010 and I don't think anyone can imagine the world today without digital devices. At this pace of technological evolution, I think it's very difficult to tell which technological direction we're heading towards. It is difficult to assess which manufacturer will prevail and which developments will promote learning in education in the long term. As a school, we must first wait for the results of science and research in this area in particular. We want to remain flexible in our decision in favour of Apple and have therefore opted for the three year leasing model, so that we can evaluate the technological possibilities of the future in terms of promoting learning and can incorporate new advances such as Augemented Reality. Or, if there are new studies, then you could simply say: we are phasing out the leasing contract and we will reorientate ourselves. I personally think that in three years Apple will still be the right choice for KIBS, but I think, for example, in ten years it could look quite different. For the next three to six years, however, we are quite well positioned.

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# **KIBS House System**

Our new Heads of House have been appointed and the vice-captain elections have started - who will win? Our head students are planning for the school year ahead and present their ideas for committees and fundraising - we are looking forward to your support!

#### Dear KIBS parents,

At first we (the Head Girl and Head Boy) would like to thank you for your great support, and an amazing last year! As time doesn't stand still, and the new school year has already begun, we would like to start having bake sales again, and would kindly request your help in baking as well as organisation. Please have a look at the chart below - it shows the bake sale schedule.

The money raised with these bake sales will mainly go towards the planned playground improvement (which can be seen at the staircase in the ground floor level) as well as the budgets of our new founded committees - more on these in the next newsletter! The other part will go into projects of the "Welthungerhilfe", which include helping countries like Syria, the Central African Republic, Tajikistan, Madagascar, and Haiti. For more specific information about the individual projects, please contact us at <a href="mailto:ron.peschel@kibs-hannover.de">ron.peschel@kibs-hannover.de</a>. We thank you very much for your support and wish you a pleasant weekend!



#### Aneta Kukuckova & Ron Peschel

Class	Bake Sale
10K + 9K	30th November
6Z + 8T	25th January
7M	22th February
5M	29th March
5S	26th April

#### **New Heads of House**

Mr Wiles, Mr Pearson and Ms Piecuch have started in their new positions and first on the agenda were



the vice-captain elections in Year 3 - our students have really outdone themselves with their campaign posters this year!



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## Parent's corner

#### **Cruise offer**

The cruise offer exclusively for all KIBS parents during the KIBS whitsun break has been extended until October 14th!

You can also win two vouchers with on-board credit (1 x 100€, 1x 50€) - if you would like to take advantage of this one-off opportunity, now is your last chance!

Please contact Ms Marjakaj for a specific quote or other questions! <a href="mailto:info@fernwehexpertin.de">info@fernwehexpertin.de</a>



# PHILCO MMA TEAM Kampfkunst & Gesundheit Fighting like a Family!

#### **PHILCO MMA Team**

Special conditions for the membership in the "Philco MMA Team" are available as of now (you may not the studio from the BJJ club hosted here at KIBS). From now on, KIBS families and staff are entitled to reduced prices

for memberships and courses. More information can be found in the attached overview of fees / offers. If you are interested, please contact Mr Martinez directly: <a href="mailto:info@philco-studio.de">info@philco-studio.de</a> / Telefonnummer: 0511- 64666376

