



# KIBS Newsletter

## Local roots, global understanding



# Our new media concept is here !

Dear parents,

In the last two years, KIBS has done a lot in terms of media education and use. For this reason, we have not only updated our media concept but also completely redesigned it. The use of tablets now allows us to make our daily lessons even more action-orientated, creative and individual. In our primary school, we promote logical thinking with Coding in addition to Mathematics. Starting in the coming school year, our pupils in the Secondary will critically and constructively deal with all facets of contemporary media-use in a specially conceptualised subject of Media Studies. In the older year groups, we are incorporating further content from the Computer Science curriculum. All teachers regularly take part in extensive training courses to ensure the pedagogically valuable use of digital media. Additionally, we have intensified our cooperation with Smiley e.V. to offer all interested parents an insight into new developments in the field of media education and to receive assistance in dealing with these advancements. You will find all of this information and much more in the new media concept, which will be available in our school reception from now on.

### Important dates:



## Primary School: Cambridge Exams, (1.-5. April)

**Classes 3-8:  
KILP Info,  
1st April, 6pm  
(registration required!)**

**Kindergarten:  
Parent Evening,  
30th April at 7:30pm**

**KIBS:  
24th May from 3pm  
KIBS Bazaar;  
24th August 2019  
Summer Festival**

### Parents in corridors

In the last few weeks and months it has been noticed that many parents in the Primary and Secondary school have started to accompany their children to the classroom / lockers. Please give your children this little bit of freedom and self-sufficiency to walk into the school building by themselves. This independence is important for children to start their day confidently.

### Workshop Smiley e. V. "Think about and discuss media use today"

On February 26th 2019, Mr. Ralf Willius from Smiley e. V. visited us. After a charming introduction, he first shared the current state of research with everyone before he made it clear that media use today has to be thought of jointly as a task for parents, children and schools. It quickly became clear, however, that we as parents often serve as role models with our own media use and are therefore responsible for giving our children guidance and accompanying their media consumption at eye level.

### Exhibition

On 7th March 2019 we opened our first exhibition in the art room, which was very well attended. There were fantastic exhibits from all classes to marvel at. Many thanks to all the organisers and special thanks to Ms. Brinsmead for this great exhibition!

### Shuttlebus

For the coming school year we have a lot of prospective customers for our shuttle bus, therefore we will use a second bus. However, we will not be able to meet the great demand - even with this second bus. On 13th March 2019, we asked all parents concerned to a small meeting in the Mensa to discuss the possibilities of a carpool. Unfortunately, not many parents could participate. Therefore, we would like to try again to bring together as many parents as possible who would like to carpool. In the e-mail with the link to this newsletter, we have prepared a Doodle list in which you can register online until 26 April 2019.

### Apetito

We still have a lot of children whose lunch has not been ordered from Apetito. Please use either a monthly bank standing order or the direct debit authorisation so that the Apetito account has a credit balance. Food can only be ordered if there is a credit on the account. You will regularly receive an email from Apetito if the account only shows a minimum amount. Please understand that after the Easter holidays we will no longer issue food to children who do not have food orders on their payment chip for that day.

## Primary School

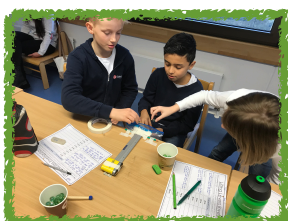
The primary school has started the spring with full throttle - the Spelling Bee, STEM week and year one and two class trips were on the program! Here are some impressions:



Our first classes use the iPads for their coding lessons and to compose songs!



The chickens (see Secondary section) were a source of enthusiasm in all classes - an authentic learning experience!



STEM Week - our primary school students were intensively involved with STEM projects - experiments were on the agenda everywhere!

School trips - our year one classes went to the Wakitu playground and the year two classes to the art museum!





## Secondary

### “Working with iPads - Students Train Senior Citizens”

The students of 10K conducted a workshop on Tuesday 12th March. They taught four senior citizens how to work with an iPad. The seniors were thrilled: they learned a lot and were able to chat over coffee and cake.



From Monday 4th March until Friday 29th of March we have had five chickens here at KIBS. For the first two weeks, the secondary students took care of our visitors, with the Primary and Kindergarten students taking charge for weeks three and four. The student tasks included clearing out, cleaning up, feeding, collecting the eggs and catching any

chickens that escaped. The learning was, of course, also thematically integrated into our lessons.





# Kindergarten

Dear parents

This year your children planned the carnival together with the teachers. This means that the children did a lot of voting. The children had to decide which food they wanted to have for their buffet, they voted on how the kindergarten should be decorated for carnival and which activities should take place. The children had a lot of fun at their party and had their first experience of how democracy works.



We would also like to thank you for your support of our carnival.



Last week we started a new project together with the primary school. Second grade primary school pupils are allowed to read to the kindergarten children once a week. The children from both, the kindergarten and primary school, had a lot of fun.



Please remember to pick up your DVD of the Christmas performance at the kindergarten office. The additional childcare week in summer, from 22.07.2019-26.07.2019, will not take place due to the small number of interested participants.

From 01.04.2019 Mrs. McPherson will start working for KIBS as a new English-speaking teacher. From 01.06.2019 she will succeed Mrs. Oesterlein in the Busy Bees. Mrs. McPherson will introduce herself personally in an introductory email.

