

KAOHSIUNG AMERICAN SCHOOL

PREPARING BALANCED INDIVIDUALS, INDEPENDENT LEARNERS, AND GLOBAL CITIZENS

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Dear Parents,

This past weekend, our chapter of Model United Nations hosted the 7th annual Southern Taiwan Model United Nations conference. It was the largest ever of this event, hosting over 200 students from eleven schools across Taiwan, plus one from China. The students, led by Frank Tseng and Meg Shieh, along with their faculty advisers put on a first-class conference that was an excellent experience for all involved, representing and showcasing KAS wonderfully.

Next week, students in the high school will have semester exams from Tuesday - Friday. Lunch will be served after the last exam at 11:30 after which students will be released on Tuesday through Thursday. On Friday, students may opt into Sports Day events from 10:30 - 12:00. Otherwise they are released at 10:30. Busses will depart at 12:15 on each of these days for high school students.

Congratulations to all of our high school students that performed in the courtyard on Thursday after school. If you ever get a chance, come listen to our very talented musicians. It is always a treat. I am writing this before our Winter concerts but I assure you they were outstanding as usual.

I know student safety is always a concern for parents. Be assured that we are all working very hard to make sure we are always watching out for each and every student at KAS. We have increased security and done much more to make sure our school is safe. Please help us by checking in at the reception desk if you need to come to school during the day.

Middle school students are required to leave immediately after school is finished at 3:00 p.m. unless they are involved in a school-sponsored activity or if a parent is supervising them directly.

We will have Sports Day activities next Friday, December 18. Elementary activities will be in the morning and middle school activities will be in the afternoon. Please ensure your child is dressed for outdoor activities that day.

Several parents have inquired about what items in the construction of Phase II we need donations for. Here is a short list of items we do not have in our current construction budget but would like to have:

1. The Elementary School Student Playground
2. The roof of the cafeteria for an elementary school sports area
3. Stoves and refrigerators for the new cafeteria so we can cook lunches on campus. That allows us to monitor the food preparation.
4. Additional funds to upgrade the quality of the turf for the soccer field.

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5. Equipment for the training and weight room.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Warm regards,

Dr. Tom Farrell
Ms Dawn Rock
Mrs. Carmen Peters

親愛的家長您好：

上週末，KAS 主辦了第七屆南台灣模擬聯合國會議。這是一場前所未有的盛宴，有超過 200 個學生出席，他們分別來自台灣 11 所不同的學校以及中國的一所學校。Frank Tseng 和 Meg Shieh 帶領我們的學生們呈現了一流的會議，對所有與會的人來說此次模擬聯合國會議是一個很棒的經驗，也為 KAS 做了一個完美的呈現。

下週高中部學生在星期二到星期五將會有期末考試。在 11 點 30 分考試結束之後會提供午餐，之後即可回家。星期五當天高中部學生們可以自由選擇是否參加從 10 點 30 分至 12 點的運動會項目，若不參加，10 點半即可離開學校。下週搭乘校車的高中部學生們都請在中午 12 點 15 分發車前上車。

恭喜所有在禮拜四放學後在中學部廣場表演的學生為我們帶來精彩的表演。如果有機會的話我們誠摯邀請您到學校來聆聽學生們專業的演出。這是件值得您共同參與的樂事。雖然這封信是我們在冬季音樂會前就寫好的，但我們仍確信冬季音樂也會是如同以往的出色。

我們了解學生安全永遠是家長的擔心的部分，我們深信學校每一份子都很努力在注意每一位學生的安全。我們已增加警衛人數，也做了比以往更多的努力來確保學校的安全。也請您若是需要在上課時間到學校的話，請先至我們一樓接待處告知我們的人員您的需求。

中學部學生們被要求在 3 點放學就必須馬上離開學校，除非他們有參加學校舉辦的正式活動或是有家長在旁陪同監督。

我們將在下周五，12 月 18 日舉辦運動會。國小部的活動在早上，中學部的則是在下午。請您幫忙確認學生們當天有穿著合適的服飾到校。

有些家長們在詢問二期工程興建的內容有什麼需要捐贈的部分。以下是我們目前在預算裡面不夠但仍希望能擁有的部分：

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1. 國小的遊樂場
2. 為了國小運動區域設置的新餐廳屋頂
3. 新餐廳使用的爐子以及冰箱，能讓我們自己煮午餐，進而控管食物品質
4. 額外的資金來升級足球場的草皮
5. 健身房的設備

祝週末愉快！

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