



KIS NEWS

At Kinabalu International School we are dedicated to providing an excellent education in a caring, respectful environment, challenging students to achieve their full potential as successful world citizens.

6th January 2017

From the Principal

Welcome to Term 2

It was wonderful to see all the bright smiling faces in school on Wednesday morning and everyone full of energy for the new term ahead.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to those families who are new to KIS. Please do make yourself known to your son/daughter's teachers and to other parents. We do hope that you will settle into the KIS family very quickly. If there is anything we can do to help please do not hesitate to ask. We have an active PTA at the school, who are very happy to help. Please see their invitation to a Coffee Morning later in this Newsletter. Once again, welcome!

Welcome back to all our returning families. I do hope that you have all enjoyed a relaxing Christmas holiday with family and friends. The term ahead promises to be a very busy one, with lots of different learning activities taking place. Please do check the [school calendar online](#) for further information.

Term 2 ECAs

Please note that Term 2 ECAs commence on Monday 9th January. A list of club attendees can be [downloaded here](#) and payment for those ECAs which incur fees needs to be made on Monday 9th January.

Swimming Programme

The Swimming Programme for Term 2 will commence on Monday 9th January. Please note that all lessons will be conducted at Sutera Marina.

Wishing you a Happy New Year!

With warm regards,

Alan Connah

Principal

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 6th Jan:	Deadline for Pass Club Applications and Payment
Monday 9th Jan:	ECAs and Primary Swimming Programme
Monday 9th Jan:	Payment Deadline for Term 2 ECAs
Mon 9th Jan to Fri 13th Jan:	Year 11 Mock Exams
Tuesday 10th Jan:	Primary English Curriculum Meeting, 8am
Thursday 12th Jan:	Primary Maths Curriculum Meeting, 8am

PRIMARY NEWS

Primary PASS Club

Further to my letter at the end of last term, please be advised that all booking requests for attendance at Primary PASS Club for Term 2 should be submitted with the correct payment to the School Office by 4pm today by completing the [attached form](#). (Please note the cost of RM 10 per student per hour).

Following a review of Pass Club by the Board of Management and SMT, the service has been improved for this term and will now be coordinated by an individual member of staff who will have overall responsibility to ensure that the facility is well organised, staffed efficiently and resourced properly. The students will have access to new games, craft materials and books so that they can enjoy their time in PASS Club and be gainfully employed. Students will also be given a small snack.

It should be noted that PASS Club is only available for students from Foundation 2 to Year 6 who are in the following situations:

- they are waiting for the school bus
- have a sibling who is in a Club
- have a sibling in Secondary
- are a child of a staff member

PASS Club is not an extra-curricular activity and we respectfully ask all our families to use this service only in accordance with the four categories stated above.

For health and safety reasons, spaces will be limited to 40 students per session, 15 in the Primary Library and 25 in the EYFS Outdoor Area/ Multi-Purpose Room. Key Stage 2 children will be given the opportunity to work quietly and independently in the Primary Library to complete homework tasks under the direction of the School Librarian.

Parents collecting their children from PASS Club should do so from the EYFS Outdoor Area, the Primary Library or the Multi-Purpose Room. Children who have not registered to attend PASS Club must be collected from school promptly at the end of the day. We will not hand over your child to anyone who has not been authorised to pick him or her up.

Nicky Russell
Head of Primary

STUDENT COUNCIL UPDATE

Christmas Angels

The Student Council wishes to thank all families who generously donated to the Christmas Angels. The gifts were delivered to the Care Haven Day Care Centre and the Sabah Chesire Home where the recipients were touched by your kindness.

KIS Student Council

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Happy New Year! The KIS Board of Management welcomes back all returning children, parents and staff to an exciting new calendar year. We would like to wish each and every one of you a happy and prosperous 2017 and look forward to seeing you around the school and community over the next twelve months. It's going to be a busy year ahead and the new Board is looking forward to working for and with you all to help advance our school to even greater heights.

For further information or for any questions that you as a parent may have about the Board then please feel free to contact us through our email address bom@kis.edu.my. The next Board of Management meeting is to be held on the evening of the 12th of January.

KIS Board of Management

PTA NEWS

New Friends of KIS Term 2 Coffee Morning

The New Friends Team would like to welcome all parents new to the school this term to our Term 2 Coffee Morning this morning at 8am at the Marina Cafe, Sutera Harbour Marina, Golf & Country Club. Please do let us know if you are able to join by contacting:

Naree - 012 8113147

Aini - 016 8330060

Claudia - 012 8387268

KIS Parent Teacher Association