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PHILOSOPHY: Besides meeting the needs of the evangelical missionary community, KICS exists to be a blessing of quality, Christ-centered education available to families beyond the missionary community. So as space permits, non-missionary families who value Christian education and the ethos of KICS and are comfortable with the American based curriculum of the school, are welcome to enroll their children.

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KICS CALENDAR

28 September - Middle & High School "D" and "F" Reports sent home (**see note below**)

30 September - Wacky-Tacky Day

1 October - H.S./M.S. Soccer Games (details below)

3 October - M.S. Soccer Game (details below)

4 October - P.T.O. Meeting (meeting details below)

7 October - School Closed / Teacher In-Service Day

11 October - Tuition payment due (Second Quarter) **Please turn your bank payment receipts into the office.**

11 October - End of 1st Quarter

12 & 13 October - Minimum Days of School / Parent Teacher Conferences

17 - 21 October - School Closed / Fall Break

24 October - School Closed / Teacher In-Service Day

SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

Just for KICS is by students, for students. The journalism class wants fellow students and anyone else interested to have access to what goes on at KICS. Articles range from interviews, riddles and recipes. [Click to read September's Just for KICS.](#)

LIBRARY NEWS

The new and improved KICS' library will be opening on **Monday, October 3rd!** The hours are as follows:

Mondays 10:00-3:30

Tuesdays 10:00-3:30

Wednesdays 11:00-3:30

Thursdays 11:00-3:00

Fridays 10:00-3:00

A big thank you to all of the volunteers who have come in to help barcode and catalogue books- we couldn't have done it without you!

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Wacky Tacky Day Friday, 30 September, is the first dress up day of the year. Come to school dressed in wacky clothes. Wear them backwards, mismatched, different colors, even inside out! Even wear your hair crazy! This is also the first class competition of the year: the more people that dress up, the higher your classes' chances of winning a big prize at the end of the year. Sponsored by Student Council.

LAST CALL FOR BALLS! The entire KICS Student Body (grades K-12) are collecting balls for the kids at Home of Hope Orphanage. Please drop off your new or used balls in the box located by the upper gate, or in the box at the main school entrance lobby. We will be collecting balls from Monday, 19 September - Friday, 30 September.

ART ROOM NEEDS

WANTED: SUPPLIES FOR THE ART ROOM Do you have any of the following items in your home? Please share them with the KICS Art Department. Thank you!

Shoe boxes, newspapers, magazines, empty Pringles can with lids, other items that would be interesting to draw.

LUNCH @ KICS

The October lunch menu is available to view and to print by [clicking here](#). Please remember to plan accordingly and order school lunches ahead. We cannot serve your child a school lunch if you have not pre-ordered and prepaid, preferably at the beginning of the month. We appreciate your help and thoughtfulness in this matter.

KICS REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Proof of legal requirements to live in Rwanda: In accordance with a new Rwandan law on Immigration and Emigration (Law No 04/2011 of 21/03/2011, Article 19), KICS is required to have proof that each student has met the legal requirements to stay in Rwanda. Each student must submit a copy of either: 1) (Rwandan Citizens) The student's Rwandan Passport or other proof

of citizenship OR The visa page from the student's passport showing a valid Rwandan resident visa This document must be in each student's file within the first two weeks of attending class for the 2011-2012 school year. Students not eligible to study in Rwanda KICS pose a liability to the school and will be given a limited time to provide the necessary documentation.

PSAT ANNOUNCEMENT

Wednesday, 12 October

PSAT Testing will be conducted on campus Wednesday, 12 October during school. It will be administered to all students in grades 10 and 11. The PSAT is designed to prepare students for taking the SAT Test in grades 11 and 12. There is a fee of 5,000RWF (the school is subsidizing the rest of the cost) that may be paid at the Reception Desk by Monday, October 10. Information packets were sent home on Friday. Additional copies are available at the Reception Desk if you need one. Please contact Mrs. Nash at kics.registrar@gmail.com if you have any questions.

SAT TEST DATES

Test Date	Register By
October 1, 2011	September 9, 2011
November 5, 2011	October 7, 2011
December 3, 2011	November 8, 2011
January 28, 2012	December 30, 2011
May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/home>

ACT TEST DATES

October 11, 2011
 December 10, 2011
 February 1, 2012
 April 14, 2012

<http://www.act.org/aap/>

SCHOOL START and END TIMES

SPECIAL NOTE: With the numerous After School Activity options available this year, siblings of participants often wait after school until their sibling has completed their activity. The school does not have the facility to accommodate this, and asks Elementary students (K-6) be collected by 3:20, and Middle and High School (grades 7-12) students be collected by 3:30. A fine of 1,000Rwf per child, per minute, is charged for late collection.

Grades KG-Grade 6-8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Grades 7-12 8:00 a.m. - 3:12 p.m.

Drop Off and Pick Up Times

Drop off at lower KICS gate 7:40 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

Pickup at 3:00 p.m. - 3:20 p.m. for Elementary Students

Pickup at 3:12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. for Middle and High School Students

Please note: Students collected after the afternoon pickup times will incur a 1,000 Rwf per minute administrative fee.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

1. **Drama** (ages 12-15) on Wednesdays from 3:15-5:00 (Mrs. Finnerty)
Christmas is just around the corner! Don't miss out on your chance to audition for the KICS play "Nativity Mayhem" Wednesday, 7 September. You can pick up an audition sheet at the front desk before Wednesday.
2. **Soccer (grades 7-9)** Thursday/Friday 3:15-4:30 (Joel Finnerty) First practice on Thursday, 1 September
3. **Soccer (grades 10-12)** Wednesday/Friday 3:15-4:30 (Mr. Nash) First practice on Thursday, 1 September
4. **Tae Kwon Do (Elementary Beginner)** Monday (grades K-2); Tuesday (grades 3-5) 3:15-4:30 (Mr. Koonce) First class on Tuesday, 6 September ****Please note:** The last day to sign up for this activity is 30 September.**
5. **Tae Kwon Do (Middle and Senior Advanced)** Wednesday 3:15-4:30 (Mr. Koonce) First class on Wednesday, 1 September
6. **Tae Kwon Do (Middle and Senior Beginner)** (if interest exists) Thursday 3:15-4:30 Sign up at the reception if interested. (Mr. Koonce)
7. **Jazz Band/Activity Band (grades 7 -12)** Tues. 3:15-4:30 For the instrumentalists that are looking for additional opportunities to stretch themselves, learn to improvise, add to school spirit, have fun and jam. The band will incorporate a rhythm section (keyboard, bass, drums, and guitar) in addition to saxophones, trumpets and trombones, and will learn the fundamentals of jazz and improvisation. Send Mr. Gaskill an email with any questions
8. **American Football Club (grades 5-8)** The "American (style) Football" Club is for boys in grades 5 - 8 to learn the basics of American style football. Sessions will include conditioning, position skills, strategy and the opportunity to enjoy the sport through scrimmage games. The format will be no-contact flag football rules. Join us on Mondays, 3:15 - 4:15. For more information contact Greg Urquhart at 0785278026 or greg@karisimbipartners.com.
9. **Young Life (grades 7 -12)** Campaigners (Bible Study) will begin on Wednesday, September 7th. Club will begin soon-we'll let you know the date. (Ms. Seger)
10. **Student Council (grades 7-12)** Would you like to help plan and implement fun and exciting events at KICS? Student council is looking for motivated students who want to serve the KICS community by providing fun things for the students and families of KICS to do. We will plan dress-up days, Fall Festival games, the talent show, and hopefully several other exciting events. Fresh new ideas are always welcome! We will meet every other Monday afternoon in Ms. Simpson's room (Room 201).
11. **Girl's Fit Club** will be held on Tuesdays **AND** Thursdays from 3:30-4:30. You may come one day - or both! FIT club is open to girls in grades 6-12. The purpose of this club is to empower girls at KICS to lead a healthy lifestyle, and have a healthy self-image. It will be a positive exercise club that will incorporate running, stretching, cardio and ab workouts, kenpo karate, yoga, some sports, and much more! If you are interested or have more questions, see Ms. Griggs, or email at emilygriggs.kics@gmail.com or Mrs. Hanlon at knhanlon@gmail.com.
12. **Science Club** The first Science club of the year will be held on Thursday, 29 September from 3:15-4:15 in Ms. Griggs' room. (4th grade) There will be a sign-up sheet in the office for kids to sign up! Next month's Science Club will be held on Wednesday 26 October.

SPECIAL NOTES

Middle and High School Reports - In an ongoing effort to partner with parents, KICS is sending home report cards for Middle and High School students who currently have D and/or F grades. While this is only a current reflection of 1/3 of the semester it is our belief you may be able to encourage the necessary change for the remaining 2/3. These reports are to be signed and returned to their homeroom teacher by Friday, 30 September. Please remember, students and parents are able to review current scores online by logging in at <http://www.engage.com/user/login.php> Username and Password information has been provided to your child by their home room teacher.

Attention Football Players and Fans!

This Saturday KICS takes on Ecole Belgue in football!

Both age groups are playing at Utexerwa.

The High School team plays at 8:00 am and the Middle School team plays at 10:00

Make sure that you come watch these great games and cheer us on to victory!

Also for middle school we are having a game against Good Shepard on Monday. This game will be at the field directly on the right of the MTN center.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL AUDITIONS (grade 2-4): Friday, 23 September 12:00 - 12:30; Monday 26 September 12:00 - 12:30; Singing solo auditions: Wednesday, 28 September 12:00 - 12:30. Call backs, if necessary, will be announced on Wednesday, 28 September @ 3:00.

P.T.O. - All parents are invited for the next P.T.O (Parents Teachers Organization) meeting. Tuesday the 4th of October 2011 at 6pm, Aberdeen House. Come let us plan for the fall festival and other events of the year. The Fall festival date is scheduled for Saturday, 19 November. (Directions to Aberdeen: From the kobil petrol station instead of taking the road on the left to Caisse Sociale estates or to KICS you take the road on the right that goes up the hill and keep going until you see a sign post of Aberdeen on the right. For further direction call Shiprah on 0784114078.)

KICS CLASSIFIEDS

A phone has been turned in at the front desk. If you are missing one, please come by to see if it belongs to you.

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