



# BROOKHOUSE SCHOOLS KAREN BULLETIN

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## From The Director...

Welcome back from the half-term break. My choice of servant leader this week is based on both merit and the fact that I like saying his name: Boutros Boutros-Ghali. He was the sixth UN Secretary General during the unquiet times of the 1990's. Of Egyptian birth, Boutros-Ghali became the first African and the first Arab to hold the post. Many look back on his time at the helm of the UN as plagued by daunting global challenges, but that reminds me of just how remarkable the ambitions of the UN really are.

- Mr O'Connor, School Director

SERVANT LEADER



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*The concept of peace is easy to grasp; that of international security is more complex.*

Boutros Boutros-Ghali

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## Global Focus at **MUN**

With the annual East African Model United Nations (EAMUN) happening at Gigiri this week, we send our students to participate, not to learn the solutions to global problems necessarily, but to be more aware of the powerful challenges that face our global village. The event is also a great forum for the enhancement of research skills and the development of confident public speaking skills. I wish our delegation every success at EAMUN this year.

- Mr O'Connor, School Director



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK



## Before half-term...

there were various sporting fixtures for our teams throughout the week, Year 10 Business Studies and Economics students went on a trip, we had a Rhino Charge fundraiser, the intermediate Mathematics challenge took place and the Father's breakfast morning was well attended. Prep school hosted a Music Tea-time concert, a Welcome to the Piazza Art event and the Prep Inter-House Art competition.

## This week...

is MID-YEAR ASSESSMENTS WEEK and it marks the commencement of A2 Mock Examinations as well as assessments in Prep for all Year groups and will run until Friday. The East African Model United Nations conference takes place at the United Nations Office in Nairobi and delegations to the POPS Conference in Carlifonia, to the Boys basketball tournament in South Africa and to the Young Round Square conference in South Africa all depart this week and we look forward to hearing about their experiences. There are a variety of sporting fixtures taking place, both at home and away. Over the weekend, Mr Maswai and his team will accompany the participating students as they undertake their PAK Pre-Gold expedition to the Ngong Hills and there will be some sporting fixtures.



## Examination Matters...

Examination entries for candidates taking IGCSE, AS and A2 level examination in the May/June 2019 session have been completed and we are awaiting the Statements of Entry from the examination boards. These will need to be checked for any errors. We are able to make corrections on the Statements of Entry until 19<sup>th</sup> February 2019, after which the examination boards charge amendment fees. On another note, students are required to be in school every day of the week during the Mock examinations period. In this regard, students must arrive in school at the normal time in the morning and leave at the end of the day as usual. No student will be allowed to leave school early, even if they do not have an examination on that day.





## Secondary news...

Welcome back from a well deserved half-term break. Before the break, we had a fruitful Father's Breakfast meeting whose theme was "Responsible Use of Social Media." Our delegates to the RITS Global Summit in Japan arrived from a successful trip. The A2 Mock Examinations and the EAMUN conference commence this week. Our candidates in Year 11, 12, 13 and IFY are expected to work intensively with their teachers for the forthcoming final examinations.

- Mr Mulindi, Head of Secondary



## Business/Economics Trip...

On 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019, Year 10 Business Studies and Economics students had the opportunity to experience learning outside the classroom when they visited Shell Petrol Station and KFC Restaurant in Hurlingham. The students found the trip very useful as they were able to learn more about franchising, effective marketing strategies and general business and economics concepts.

- Mr Mwai and Mrs Kaniaru, Teachers of Business Studies

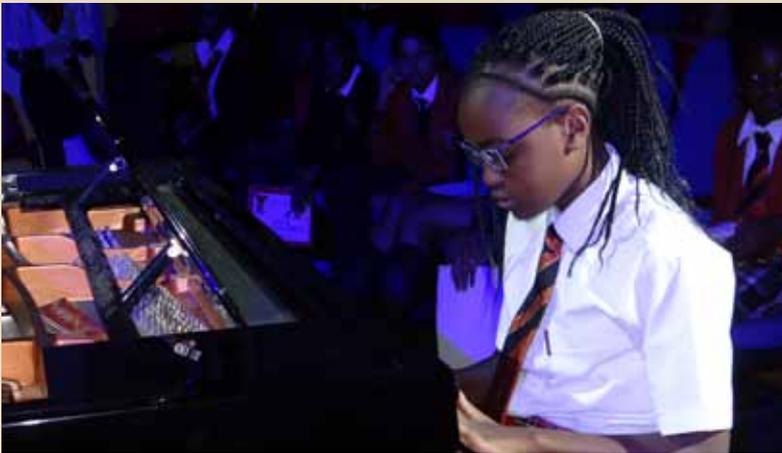




## From The Prep...

The school was ablaze with colour, with displays of everyone's Inter-House art entries. Considering the short time allowed to complete the work the standard of many pieces was fantastic. The Open Book morning went very well with many parents taking the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher and look at their work. For some parents they were able to gain a good insight into their child's half-term grades. We start this half-term with our mid-year assessments.

- Ms Forsyth, Head of Prep



## Open Book...

The Year 3 to 6 Open Book morning was very well attended with a record number of parents in attendance. Several parents commented on how pleased they were to get an overview of what their children had been doing in their books this half-term. They also mentioned how pleased they were to see the wide range of topics covered during such a short term.

Ms McCormick, Year 6 Teacher



## ELS news...



This term in our Service Learning Projects, the Early Years have been focusing on growing plants. We have had some really exciting activities. Stage 1, 2 & 3 are growing their own beans and vegetables using recycled plastic bottles. The Reception class have been focusing on growing herbs. The Year 1 children are focusing on indigenous trees and seed balls. The Year 2 children are making miniature succulent gardens.

We feel it is vital that our children learn to grow and care for plants and understand their needs. Look at the pictures and see how much they are enjoying the projects.

- Ms Gammon, Head of ELS



## KEY DATES FOR THE TERM

- Term 2 classes commenced on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019
- East African MUN takes place from 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019
- 14 – 15 Years Round Square Conference at St Stithian's Girls Johannesburg, from 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- A2 Mock exam are from 18<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019, inclusive
- Year 9 Choices Evening on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- 12 – 14 Years Round Square Conference at Dainfern College Johannesburg, 20<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- ALAMAU Conference in South Africa from 20<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> March
- Inter-House Debate finals on Wed 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- Term 2 concludes on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at lunchtime.
- 16 - 18 Years Round Square Conference at St Andrew's School Grahamstown, SA 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019



## ROUND SQUARE CONFERENCES

### St Andrews School, SA

Round Square Regional Conference at St Andrews School, Grahamstown 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 for 16-18 year olds.



### Emerald Heights School

Round Square International Conference for 16 - 18 year olds hosted by the Emerald Heights International School, Indore India 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

### South Asia and the Gulf

Round Square International Conference 2019

## Why participate?

The global network of 200 Round Square schools are guided by the Round Square IDEALS (Internationalism, Democracy, Environment, Adventure, Leadership and Service) and through the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills set of the Discovery Framework. The programme of conferences, international service projects and student exchanges continue to take our children all over the world to gain the wider exposure of a global citizenship mindset.

*- Mr Ng'ang'a, Round Square Rep*



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## Boarding news...

We hope that our boarding students had a well deserved half-term break. Year 13 Mock examinations and Mid-Year assessments commence this week. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the resources available to them. Mentors, as part of their pastoral role, continue to provide guidance towards ensuring that students manage their academic endeavours productively, while getting involved in extra-curricular activities to enhance their student portfolio's at Brookhouse.

- Mr Kimwele Head of Boarding



## Sports news...

Before half-term, the U15 boys' basketball squad lost to St Austin's whilst the U19 girls' football squad defeated the Swedish School 2-1 but lost to RVA. The U15 and U17 boys' basketball squads both defeated Strathmore, 47-03 and 59-16 respectively whilst the U19 girls' hockey squad lost to Rosslyn 2-1. This week we have a busy week of fixtures and tournaments at the weekend whilst the U19 boys' basketball squad travel to South Africa for the annual tournament.

It's all about Golf!

Belinda Macharia continues to shine in the golfing world of Kenya. Having emerged the winner of the Ladies KLGU event held at Muthaiga Golf Club with a net score of 66, she recently won the Sigona Ladies Open. Coached by Nicholar Rokoine, she began golf at the age of 4 and has already represented Kenya in South Africa, Malaysia and Scotland. Watch the interview with Tony Kwalanda from Sports Hub at the link: <https://youtu.be/49WFg0qAl5k>

- Ms Curley, Head of Sports Faculty

