

ST CONSTANTINE'S INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 22, OCTOBER 5, 2020

Karibu! We are looking forward to seeing you on Parents' Day - it is an important and worthwhile day.

Formal reporting events like this support any communication we have with you at other times. Formal reporting, like Parents' Day, supports on-going, formative, more informal, communication between parents and us.

Teachers will let you know about your child's

1. Effort and attitude
2. Strengths and weaknesses
3. Progress - part of our vision is celebrating a pupil's *individual* successes and progress.
4. Development compared to where they have come from - where they should be
5. Future targets and your support in these
6. Required changes needed - if anything
7. Homework
8. Efforts outside the classroom like their contribution to our Round Square IDEALS, development against the Round Square Discovery Framework, their Electives, contribution to Inter House, Music, Drama, or involvement with: Word mania, Art exhibition, volunteering, or position of responsibility.

Best wishes,
Tony Macfadyen
Headmaster



Parents' Day on Friday 9th October from 8 am to 4.30pm

Teachers will be ready for their first appointment at 8.00 am sharp and Parents Day closes at 4.30 pm
However last appointments are 4.00 pm with a half hour 'wind down'
As a parent / carer you must in place at a teacher's room at 4.00 pm
You should expect only one appointment from 4 pm onwards - Please plan your day accordingly

TOWN CAMPUS

Front page top: Year 2 students at Town Campus studied Text Type in their English lesson. Students learned how to give instructions by using “bossy” verbs (Commanding verbs) like jump!,mix!,add!,turn!. Miss Restuta checks Asher-Clara Joseph’s book to see her examples



Above: Mr Emmanuel had a chance to sit with Renee-Nancy Kinabo, Samarah Kabangu and Joanne Kweka all in Year 2 in Town Campus last week and had a reading intervention. This was to enhance the girls’ reading fluency, phoenix knowledge and comprehension.

OUR BUDDING ARTISTS FROM YEAR 3

Miss Pauline took Year 3 students on a journey into the abstract expressionist movement of American painter Jackson Pollock during their IDEALS art class. They did some amazing paintings copying the artist in their creations –



Imani Muchiri (front page) used the dripping style while Ayana Suleman (above) the sponge style and Mikael Ferrera (left) created a Blowing Art Abstract.



BEWARE THE SCAMMERS

A few parents have faced a scam (a text message from 0683 411 305) that claimed their child was ill at school / been taken for medical treatment.

We do not know how the scammers got these numbers (NOT from ISAMS - which is secure), but sometimes it is from 'social engineering' - simply asking around, including your driver, for your number under some social pretense.

These messages refer to your child fainting, or hitting their head and being taken to hospital. In one case the scam artist had a second contributor who played the part of a Doctor to make it more convincing.

The scam is they ask you to MPESA money to them so they can pay for immediate treatment (in this case at Mt Meru hospital).

A genuine call about your child's health from us will come from either :

- 0754 216581 - Nurse Lina, OR
- 0753 871855 - Ms. Sarry (Reception)

In the unlikely event of a serious issue a member of the Extended Leadership Team may call you: one of the Assistant Head Teachers or Mr Murray, Mr Nderitu or Headmaster, Mr Macfadyen.

IN ALL CASES:

1. If we have to take your child for medical attention, we call you immediately. **We will actually ring to speak to you.**

We will always tell you who we are, where we are from and the name of your child. It is unlikely that the scammers know your child's name, so if you are calm enough to do so, ask them which child are they talking about - it is unlikely they will be able to give you the correct name, while we will always know.

2. If we cannot get hold of you, we will keep trying, and will send an email to your designated email addresses (from iSAMS). The communication from us coming from @scis.sc.tz email (we own this domain and we are able to trace it). **We will not go into medical details** of a case in a text or email, but will tell you we need to speak to you and to call us back - we'll leave our number.

3. PLEASE put school Reception phone number in your contacts: **0753 871855.**

4. IF you are sent a text, or get a call about any school matter and do not recognise the number or the caller's I.D. call school reception on **0753 871 855** to get confirmation from us.

5. We will NEVER ask you to MPESA us any money by text.

As a school we do not share your contact details with anyone (unless you give us specific permission for something).

Parents should report any suspicious communication to us by contacting Reception please

Primary Prefects

Prefects are elected in the Primary School as part of the Spirit of Leadership in our Round Square philosophy.

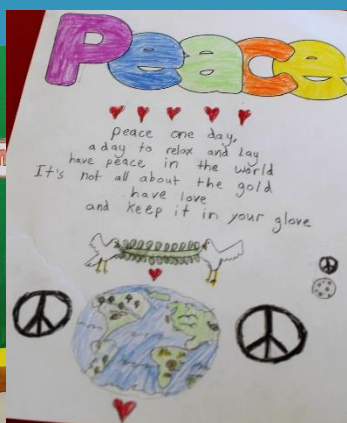
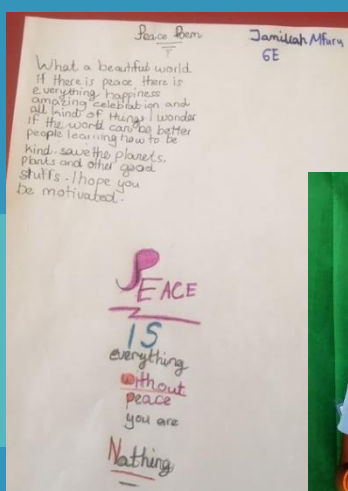
Prefects can nominate themselves and then write a letter of application to Mr Murray, whereby they are then shortlisted to give a speech to the student body. Students from Upper Primary in Years 3-6 listen to their speeches - this year conducted via a Zoom session in assembly - and then vote for their chosen representative in the classrooms. Mrs Marandu and Mr Murray will work with the Prefects during the school year to develop their leadership skills and help them to discover their potential to grow as leaders. They will carry out various responsibilities around the school and are encouraged to be fine examples of what a SCIS student should be, and to encapsulate the Round Square Discoveries through their role.



Top – left to right: Daneen Shahbhai 6E, Alina Fazal 6E, Alexia Shirima 6W
Bottom – left to right: Ethan Osmond 6W, Dhrove Verma 6E, Leon Van Bracht 6E

International Day of Peace.

As The 2020 theme for the International Day of Peace is 'Shaping Peace Together', Mrs Maina and her Year 6E students decided to celebrate the day by spreading good cheer through colourful artwork and poetry.





PRIMARY CLASS AWARDS 2019-20

presented via Zoom on Friday 26th June 2020.

**Class Teachers gave awards in the following categories:
ONLINE LEARNING, PROGRESS, EFFORT**

As Primary students were not able to receive their recognition in person, please find below our outstanding students and the awards they received. Progress and Effort prizes were calculated based on

the first two terms when children were physically in school. Online Learning was given for all-round participation during the online period for students who had been most engaged / active / proficient in class.

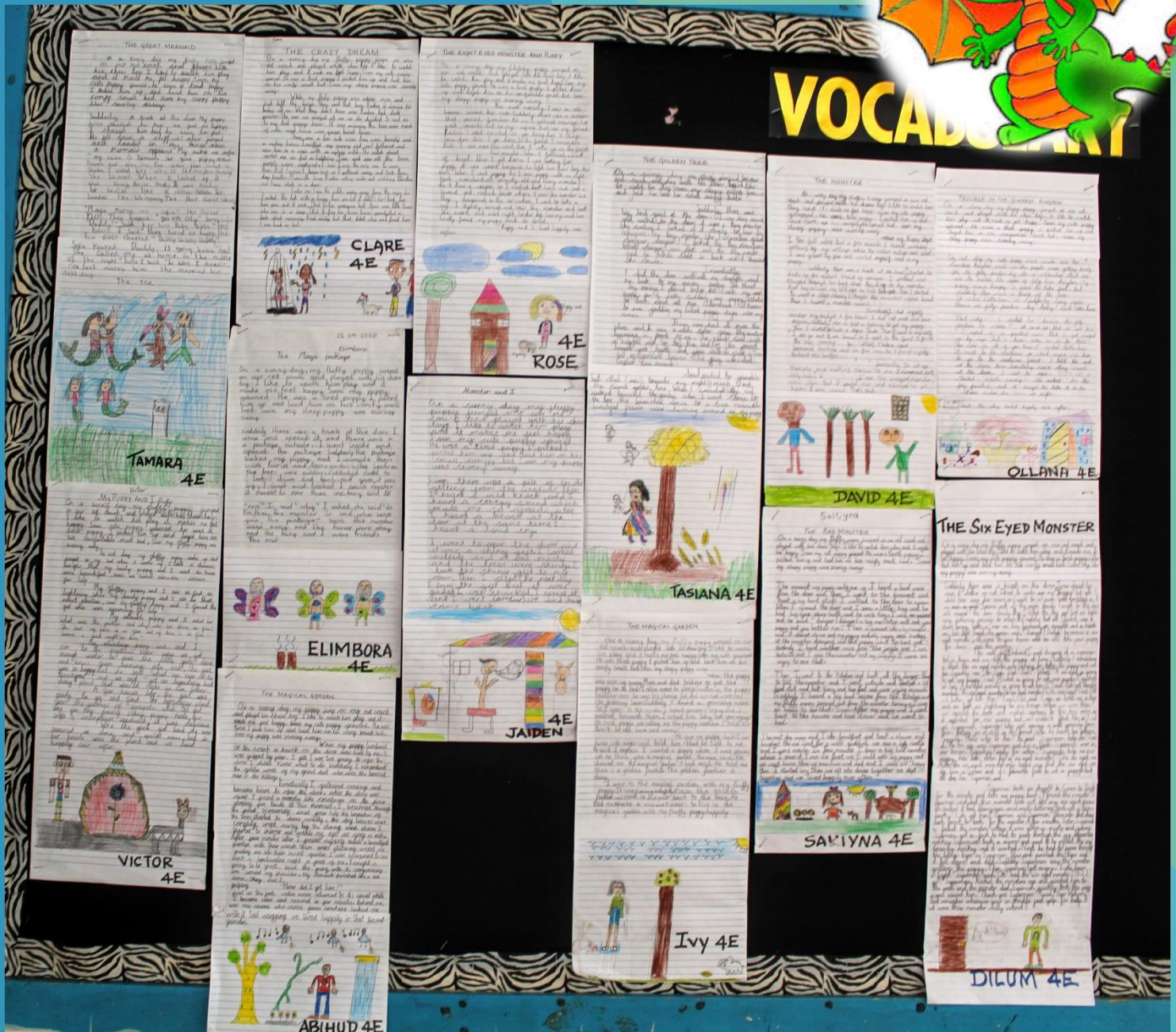
Year	Effort (T1 & 2)	Progress (T 1 & 2)	Online Learning (T3)
NMC		Reina Richard	Aaliya Sajan
RMC	Jean-Pierre Mbugua	Olivia Murray	Jasiel Mwangi
1MC	Natalia Mwanyika	Hussein Ezzi	Hassanali Karim
2MC	Jamian Mwangi	Natalie Kishe	Emmanuel Utah
3E	Preston Mbuya	Rose Ngowi	Vraj Patel
3S	Hansel Mwapachu	Trevor Kimea	Sarayu Gummalla
3W	Abeer Kothari	Victor Amani	Clare Mwanri
4E	Kimberly Mfinanga	Jessica Onyewe	Johnson Uher
4W	Aaron Osmond	Jeremy Mwangi	Darice Tindamanyire
5E	Purnansh Goel	Alina Fazal	Leon Van Bracht
5S	Harsheen Panesar	Dhrove Verma	Etienne Godbout
5W	Alexia Shirima	Kaylah Mangeni	Ira Aori
6E	Angelo Himbaza	Yasmeen Muhampi	Michael Mombo
6S	Muema Katonga	Celine Mgoyo	David Mosley
6W	Christian Shemkai	Muhammed Hussein Karim	Aveer Hans
NTC	Clara Kamau	David Ngereza	Alijaward Pardhan
RTC	Kashvi Shah	Kendrick Kinabo	Aasiya Giga
1TC	Samarah Kabangu	Joseph Mangeni	Waliko Munthali
2TC	Abbas Bhimani	Imani Muchiri	Ayanah Suleman



Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

No, Mr Nderitu is not conducting a new teachers' choir, he is making a point during the teachers CPD session. Last newsletter we featured PLC (Professional Learning Development). During PLC the teachers meet in small groups and discuss specific areas of learning; while in CPD all teachers meet and present what was discussed during PLC. Our teachers are constantly upgrading their learning, discussing concepts, understandings, models and new developments they can use in their classes to increase the success of their students.

Ms Leena's YEAR 4 entered the world of fairies, dragons and magic over the last few weeks. Firstly, they learned about the features of fantasy text type blended with the fronted adverbials, adjectives, adverbs, sentence starters and sentence structure. They had mastery over making their own stories with fantastical elements. As you can see in the picture below, they've excelled in this topic and in their handwriting. Kudos 4E!



Our interactive Round Square Environmentalism board

Students this term are to reflect on their experiences in IDEALS each Wednesday. They will write or draw reflections on their learning. This week we will have Year 6 comments which could be:

- a quote about the environment
- a picture or image that reminds them about taking care of the environment
- a comment about what they have learned
- why the environment is important to them
- why we should take care of the environment
- advice on how to take care of the environment
- a poem about environment



DIARY:

The PE Department is organising a dance flash mob on Thursday at 1:50 pm. I am sure you have heard of the "JERUSALEMA DANCE CHALLENGE" (see pic below from USA) This whole school dance will be fun for the close of term.

October

Tuesday 6 6th Form Intervention
Thursday 8 Jerusalema Dance
 Challenge
Friday 9 Parents' Day
Monday 12 - 16 School Break
Monday 19 School Re-Opens

Electives:

Mondays

1. Basketball Team U15 Boys - Mr Tozer/Mr Ighalu
2. Netball U13 - Ms Mamuya
3. Football Team - U19 Boys Mr Mulima - Pitch 1
4. Football Team U19 Girls - Mr Macmbinji - Pitch 2
5. Football Team U13 Girls - Mr Jai Weston - Pitch 3
6. Football Team U13 Boys - Mr Macfadyen - Pitch 4
7. Athletics - Mr Ngugi
8. Chamber Orchestra - Mr Kalule
9. Student council - Ms Mbugua
10. Art Extravaganza - Mr Namulala
11. Bootcamp Fitness - Ms Thiongo
12. MUN - Ms Thami/ Mr Muchela
13. Basic Spanish & Latin American Culture - Ms Laura
14. Computer Programming Club - Mr Mapara
15. TED ED Talks - Ms Wint/Ms Isojick
16. Bar Mock Trial - Ms Tozer

Wednesdays

1. Basketball Team U15 Boys - Mr Tozer/Mr Ighalu
2. Basketball Team U15/U19 Girls - Ms Lerato Pheko/ Ms Kwendo
3. Football Team U19 Boys - Mr Macmbinji
4. Swim Team - Ms Macfadyen
5. Chess Club Yrs 7/9 - Mr Machuwe
6. Volleyball - Mr Kimei
7. Mountain Biking - Mr Mgaya/ Mr Mapara
8. Nature Walk - Ms Gillespie/Ms Murray
9. Round Square - Ms Wint
10. Tennis - Mr Lebris
11. World Scholars Cup - Ms Karen Gichobi /Mr Muchela



Thursdays

1. Basketball U15/U19 Girls - Ms Pheko/Mr Tozer
2. Swim Team - Ms Macfadyen
3. Cross Country - Mr Ngugi
4. Frisbee - Ms Mbugua
5. EAMUN Yrs 10-13 Ms Thami /Ms Gichobi
6. U13 Girls Football - Mr Jai Weston
7. Band - Mr Kalule
8. Aerobics - Ms Thiongo
9. Titans News Network - Ms Laura
10. Mountain Biking - Mr Mgaya/ Mr Mapara
11. Chess Club yrs 10–13 - Mr Machuwe
12. Yoga/meditation KS 4 & 5 - Ms Gillespie
13. Ethical Discussion - Ms Tozer/Ms Makau
14. Acting Club - Mr Derrick/ Ms Kwendo
15. Tennis - Mr Lebris



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