



# BRAEBURN KISUMU INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

## Term 2 Week 13 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The second term of the academic year has finally come to an end. When we started in January, a lot of uncertainty was the order of the day. Team BKIS has managed to navigate through all these with a considerable level of success to be proud of. The COVID-19 protocols have been faithfully followed both in school and at home. The last week of the term provided an opportunity to test our adaptability; and we did not disappoint. From the little babies to senior students, transition into Remote Teaching and Learning has been seamless. I commend our boys and girls, parents and BKIS staff for all the support witnessed in this smooth transition. As we previously mentioned in our earlier communications, Regardless of whether the school site is open or closed at the start of next term, we are confident that the children's education will continue uninterrupted.

### **Parents Portal**

We are glad to mention that we officially launched the parents' portal in our iSAMs platform. For it to be effective, all parents are expected to register. Once this is done, the following will be some of the immediate benefits:

- Provides basic electronic forms that can be used for surveys,
- Provides secure access to school information - policies, handbooks, school timetables etc.
- Publishes downloadable PDF versions of each child's academic report,
- Publishes individual pupil timetables, and
- Publishes attendance information - morning/afternoon class and lesson registration.

We are in the process of piloting the release of end term reports for Year 1s to Year 11s using this. You will receive a link that will direct you to the portal.

### **IGCSE Preparations**

The preparation for the May/June series is ongoing. Our candidates are having final touches on their revision as they wait to officially start the exams on 4th May. We are working closely with our exam body CIE (Cambridge International Examinations) and are assured by their commitment as captured here, "*We continue to plan for exams to go ahead in June 2021 where it is permitted and safe. We know exams are the fairest and most accurate way of assessing students' performance*". This together with the government's stand on candidates, we are looking forward to written exams. Our teachers are at hand to support the candidates even during the holidays. It is our hope that with the drive to finish strong, the results will be rewarding.



## Peek at the Week

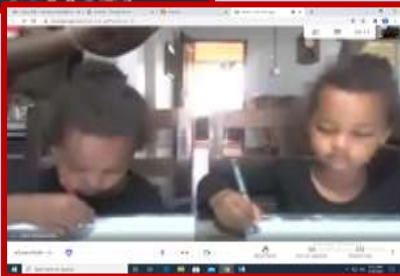
Below are some of the activities which took place in various classes to mark the end of the term. Some involved a reflection of key highlights of the term.

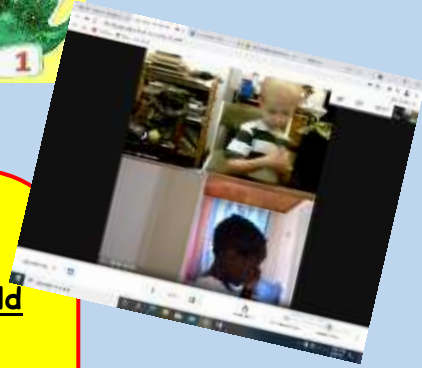
This is how we ended our term with Remote Teaching and Learning.



Physical Development, Expressive arts and Design, Mathematics, Understanding the World, Literacy Personal, Social & Emotional Development and communication & Language:

Children adjusted to this kind of teaching & learning and were still able to explore. They constructed and counted, talked about colours/shapes, made marks about what they had learnt, (water play) floating the cut out fish/frog in the water and did exercises during P.E /cycling lessons.

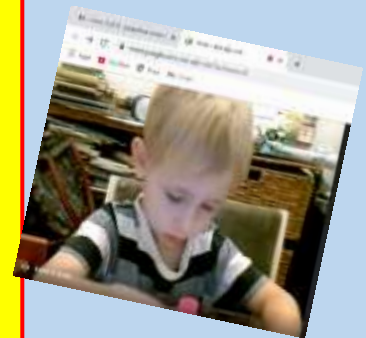
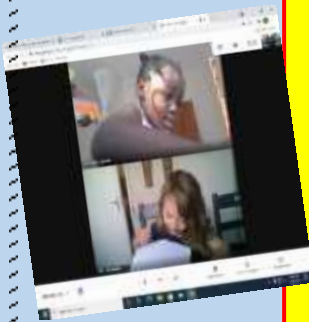




**Communication & Language,**  
**Literacy, Understanding the World**  
**and Physical Development.**

This week children were able to work independently from home. They were able to do number activities, mark making, colouring and were actively involved in discussions.

In **letters and sound** Children made silly soup with items that have the same initial sounds.



Note  
Have a great and restful holiday!



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## Foundation Stage 2

### Literacy

During phonics session we reviewed phase 2 and 3 sounds in both reading and writing. We looked at new Easter vocabulary during our 'in the moment learning'



### Numeracy

We practised skills that we have covered e.g. simple addition to 10 and formation of numbers 1-20.



### Communication and Language

The children had a discussion about what Easter is, how it is celebrated and who celebrates it. One of our students had a story book to show the events that occur during Easter.



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Expressive arts and designs/Understanding the World

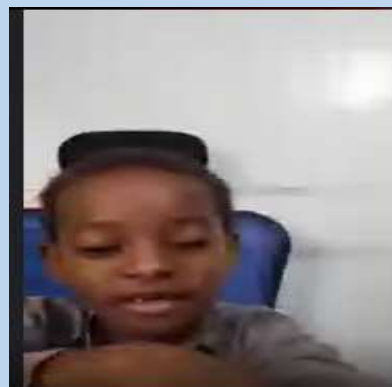
Developing our artistic skills is part of our learning and this how creative we were during our RTL session.



Yummy Easter chocolate Bunny



My Easter Bunny



# Year 1

## Look What We Did!



We have come to the end of an exciting term. I have packed holiday learning packs, find time and do them but don't forget to enjoy your holiday. Happy holidays! Remember to take care and follow all Covid -19 protocols while at home. Stay Safe.



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# Year 2

Watching exhibitions during MFL Day, getting dressed up and doing fun activities.





# Year 3



## SCIENCE

The students did an experiment to find out how water is transported in plants.



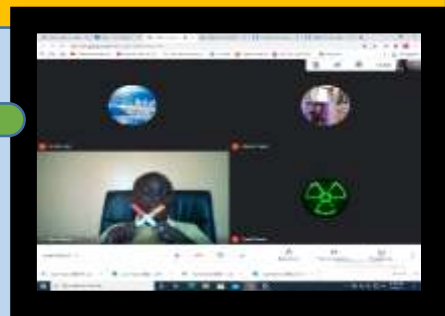
## COMPUTING

In the computing lesson, the year 3 students displayed their creativity by making Easter posters using word program.



## MATH

This week, we revised the end term exams.



## MUSIC

We reviewed the work we did in the term. The children tapped the different rhythms as a song played.



## OTHER NEWS

- Happy Easter and have a restful Holiday.
- Homework will be on study ladder and Education city.



# Year 4



As we say goodbye to each other at the end of this term, we look back on an exciting period where we enjoyed learning together in school. We are grateful for all the things we learnt, the skills we have achieved and the fun lessons teachers created for us.

We look forward to a new, exhilarating term but first, we will enjoy our well-deserved Easter holiday! We wish all BKIS members an amazing holiday and we hope to see you all next term!

Love,  
Year 4



Word cloud containing various farewell phrases such as: Goodbye, Sayonara!, Au revoir, Fare thee well, Hasta la vista, baby, and many others.



# Year 5



**English**  
Photos of students writing their English



**P.E**  
Photos of students warming up after reviewing various body muscles' facts.



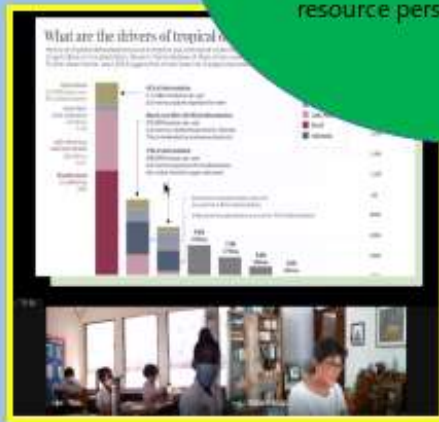
Dear parents,  
It has been yet another fruitful and successful term despite the Covid 19. A big thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Have a look at some of our term's highlights.



What a special and memorable moment!  
The class marked Arav's birthday by  
planting flowers.



It was yet another successful  
virtual class trip on rainforests. A  
big thank you to Mr. Achira and  
Ms Paban for accepting to be our  
resource persons. We are proud of  
you.







### French

Students demonstrating their listening and speaking skills through self-expression in French.



### PSHE

Sharing our views on the value of saving and spending money wisely during our PSHE lesson was extremely fascinating.

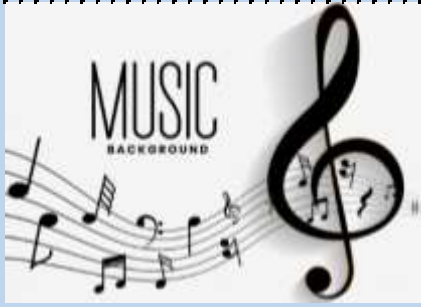




We this week focused on reviewing our end of term exams in both arithmetic as well as reasoning. We were able to make corrections as well as reinforce our knowledge in various concepts.







This term has seen Key stage 3 students attend most of their music classes out of the music room. They either used the field where the space was adequate or the tent area. The students learnt to read short melodies from scores. Some of the tunes were learnt through rote method.



Year 7s practicing by rote.



Year 8 and 9 s practicing the Kenyan national anthem.



We covered history of western Music and the students in particular remember to the famous composers like J.S Bach, G. F Handel, Beethoven, Mozart and Schubert. Did you Know that: Handel wrote the famous 'Joy to the world?' Mozart is also known as "Twinkle Twinkle little star?' This is because he composed this famous nursery rhyme.



The end of term written exam was also done out in the open. This has been our 'new normal' and we all enjoyed working outdoors







The learners were making flowers and tables out of paper during Art club time.





## Stars of the Week

CLASS	NAME	REASON
CRECHE	Ariella, Roma, Aaira, Iba and Leo	For displaying confidence and adjusting to RTL for the first time.
FS1	Liam, Abigail, Zara, Emma	For adjusting well to the RTL and always logging in time for lessons.
FS2	Alex, Nirav, Svetlana, Jayrald and Resian	For rapidly adjusting to RTL, showing cooperation and helping each other in peer learning.
YEAR 1	Lara, Wilson, Nathaniel, Ari, Rosa and Emmanuel	For embracing RTL and staying positive.
YEAR 2	All Year 2 students	For great cooperation, team working and readiness to learn which has ensured successful learning this term.
YEAR 3	All the year 3 students-	For being READY(TAYARI) during the term and working enthusiastically to achieve their goals. For adjusting well to RTL by being punctual for the google meet sessions and submitting their assignments on time.
Year 4	Natasha K.	For showing a mature attitude towards the abrupt switch from physical to online learning. Natasha hasn't used excuses to not be present during online lessons or to complete her work. Natasha would visit a cybercafé to make sure she wouldn't miss any lessons and would stay online longer to ask teachers to assist her when she struggled.
YEAR 5	Kieran P.	For being extremely proactive during the RTL sessions.
YEAR 6	Joel O.	Exhibiting remarkable progress and commendable improvement in his end of term exams.
YEAR 7	Emilia O.	Throughout the week, Emilia kept time both for form tutor sessions as well as the lessons. She consistently turned her camera on and remained focused in the sessions.
YEAR 8	Levi O.	Having worked so hard throughout the term posting as the most improved student in class this term and also achieving the highest house points in year 8 class.
YEAR 9	Fidel W.	Has displayed consistent spirit of determination, diligence and high quality work throughout the term in nearly all subjects. In the transition to RTL, he has shown swift adjustment and was always in time during the form tutor sessions.





YEAR 10	Aiden M.	For a quick and smooth transition to RTL this week. He was punctual during form tutor sessions even though he had some infrastructural challenges and even sent reminders to his classmates to attend class. He remains actively involved in the online lessons. Well done Aiden!
YEAR 11	Safiyah L.	For being punctual for Form time and a general commitment and positive attitude towards learning.

### WEEK 13 HOUSE POINTS TALLY

#### HIGHEST PRIMARY

PERCH	TILAPIA
Saahil R. Linda I. Gerald O.	Natasha K.

#### HIGHEST SECONDARY

PERCH	TILAPIA
Mohammed H. Aiden M.	Pete M. Hussein L.

#### 25 POINTS ACHIEVERS

	Perch	Tilapia
Primary	N/A	N/A
High School	N/A	Mohammed H.

#### 50 POINTS ACHIEVERS

	Perch	Tilapia
Primary	Tyrell O.	N/A
High School	N/A	N/A



## TOTAL HOUSE POINTS

	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK	GRAND TOTAL
PERCH	2204	95	2299
TILAPIA	2016	72	2088

## Assembly



Thank you Ashley for singing the National Anthem today.



Thank you Saahil and Natasha for your musical presentation during today's assembly.



## Toyota Dream Car Contest Kenya

Congratulations to Dhara for achieving Silver Award this year.





## Birthday Celebrations

We wished Francis, Gwen, Nitai and Tyler happy birthdays!



Have a lovely Easter holiday. Remember to stay safe.

Mr. S. Atonga

**Head Teacher.**



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