

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term! I hope everyone was able to have a nice, restful holiday. My family and I were on home leave last term, so I feel refreshed and ready to begin this new year and new term and I hope you are too. With it being the beginning of a new year, many of us try to make New Year's resolutions or goals. Some of them might be for fitness or academics or getting closer to God. The data shows that sadly only 8% of people actually achieve the goals they set for themselves at the beginning of the year. That is not very encouraging news, is it? I think the big problem with the goals we set is that we, ourselves, try to have will power over them, but that's not what we need. We need a higher power, God. We need for God to come into our lives and transform us into what He wants us to be.

This term, our theme is character. It is taken from our community profile which states, "KISC believes in the importance of building character. Therefore, community members seek to be humble and teachable; full of hope, honesty, integrity, perseverance and passion; always giving our best and taking responsibility for our actions."

God wants us all to have good character and represent Him well. How will you do that this year? How will your character reflect who Christ is? What will you do differently this year to continue to improve your character? What do you want people to think about when your name is said?

How do you change a character trait that you're not happy or pleased with? It can be done with the help of God. God loves comebacks and there are many comeback stories in the Bible. One example is Paul who killed Christians, but ended up serving God and helped to write 14 of the 27 books of the New Testament. Another comeback story in the Bible is Peter who was one of Jesus' 12 disciples yet denied Him 3 times and also walked on water but then doubted and began sinking. Peter came back to God each time and repented. The ultimate comeback story of the Bible is Jesus who died and came back to life!

We can comeback from our circumstances and from any character that might not be pleasing to God. God is a God of comebacks. Seek Him for a change in your life and that will be a resolution that's worth it.

Samantha Seymour, Primary Principal

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

<u>January</u>	
Thu 12 - Wed 18	Exams Y10-13
Fri 27	Y10-13 Grades/Reports Out
Mon 30	Y10-13 Options Books
<u>February</u>	
Thu 2	Global Day of Prayer
Fri 3	KISC 30 th Anniversary
Thu 16	Newsletter

WORLD AROUND US OPEN HOUSE



Primary School is organizing a "World Around Us" Open House. This will be an after school event for parents and students on February 21. They will be able to "visit" a different country in each primary classroom and learn about that culture. Each student will receive a "passport" that will get "stamped" at each country/classroom. You are all encouraged to attend, and have fun traveling with us.

SAVE THE DATE

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GLOBAL DAY OF PRAYER 2017

2 February 2017
00:00 - 24:00

<http://signup.com/go/eRoNMU>

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever. Psalm 136



Of particular note are the following students who were recognised for exceptional contributions:

- **Vishal Karmacharya** received a special mention for his contribution to UNES committee and received a certificate.
- **Zachary Zimmerman** was awarded an Outstanding medal and certificate as advisor to Jayant Prasad from the Indian Cabinet.
- **Prateek Samson** received a verbal mention for his contribution as a delegate for Iran.

This year was particularly competitive as the event became an international MUN with a delegation from India taking part. While many new skills are learnt, particularly the art of diplomacy, negotiation and public speaking, it was also an opportunity to network and make new friends from other schools.

Congratulations go to our MUN team, ably lead by Vishal Karmacharya, with Prateek Samson, Anuja Thapa, Karuna Kurian, Alana Pradhan, Aryen Shrestha and Zachary Zimmerman.

The MUN is a curriculum developed for young people to explore the nature and tasks of the United Nations, the world’s largest and most widely supported peace organisation. The MUN encourages and stimulates young people to think further about the world they live in, the issues faced and the contribution that can be made to solving these issues.

Students are required to act for a country and it can be challenging when one’s personal views conflict with the values of that country. Each KISC student (along with the other students present) were given a delegate role for the country they were representing. The KISC team performed admirably, with all students making an excellent contribution to the discussion.



FAREWELL



Anita Shrestha left KISC at the end of last term. She made the decision as the family business has been growing and she is playing a greater role in its expansion. We thank Anita for her 11 years of service and know her cheerful disposition and

interactions with staff and students will be very much missed.

We wish Anita all the best in her future endeavors.



We also farewell Eveling Campana, who has taught Spanish to our Year 7 and 8 students this academic year. We thank Eveling for her willingness to step in and help in this area, the work and effort she put in, and the fun students had in learning Spanish.

“TO BE LIVING WITNESSES OF CHRIST’S LOVE THROUGH EXCELLENT EDUCATION”

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WE ARE ALWAYS HAPPY TO HEAR FROM YOU, OR IF YOU ARE IN NEPAL, PLEASE COME VISIT!

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