NEWS LETTER I

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The first quarter of this academic session has been truly amazing. It was amazing as SEE Batch 2074 maintained another milestone in glorious history of KMC School. Out of 137 students, 93 got A+ and 44 got A. Three students (Aarya Gautam, Jeena Shrestha and Mansi Yadav) got GPA 3.95. This result is outcome of hard work of all the teachers, staffs, students and you, the parents. I am really indebted towards parents for their continuous support and motivation upon us in maintaining standard of KMC. We have lots of activities coming up for the second quarter of the session. My team is completely ready to meet the challenges and demands for the same.

Instructional Areas

Preschool

Languages skills (Nepali and English), Mathematics skills, Social and Science skills, Practical Life Skills, Motor skills, Social and emotional skills, Classroom Works Habits and Developing Creativity are the main areas of instruction. School also offers performing and visual arts such as Dance, Music and Arts. School has adopted the latest technologies and resources including the smart books, talking books, and smart TV in each classroom. Teachers use the talking books in class, and students get 17 smart books including 12 story books which parents can even use in their smart cell phone/TV at home.

Elementary and Senior Schools

We have offered all the subjects as per the government policy in all the classes. However, we

also have offered International languages, Optional Subjects (Mathematics, Accountancy, Computer, and additional English course), ECA Classes (Sports, Music, Dance, Arts and Crafts) to supplement students with diverse knowledge and skills required to be the global citizens and thus enhance their individual intelligence.

Performance Evaluation Policy

Students at KMC School are frequently assessed with the objective of giving students feedback on their performance and to motivate them to consistently work hard in school. There are three terminal assessments in a year.

In Preschool, the grades are given based on the learning gained in each objective. The curriculum includes development of Language (Nepali and English) Skills, Math Skills, Social and Science Skills, Practical Life Skills, Social Emotional Skills, Classroom Work Habits and Creativities, and developing Motor Skills in students. Observation of the student's works, classroom participation, home assignments, group works, project works and class tests are the basis for awarding the grades. There will be no formal tests for in Pre-school. However, Busy Preparatory students will sit for the final term to make them prepared for higher classes. Since a Continuous Assessment System (CAS) is followed, students have opportunity to improve the grades right up to the end of the session. Student's Portfolio also contributes the CAS. The grades offered are based on the following standard:

А	В	С	D	NA
Excellent	Very Good	Good	Developing	Not Assessed
Student has fully	Student has achieved the	Student has achieved the	Student has difficulty	The learning
achieved the learning	learning objective to some	learning objective	to achieve the learning	objective is not
objective, and can	extent, and requires some	partially, and requires	objective, and requires	applicable at the
perform the related	support during the	more support during the	intensive support to	moment or not
task independently.	independent practice to	independent practice to	perform the related	introduced yet.
(Achieved over 90%)	perform the related task.	perform the related task.	task.	
	(Achieved 70%-90%)	(Achieved 50%-70%)	(Achieved below 50%)	

The grades/marks in the Primary Level are given on the basis of in-class work/ participation, assignments/ project works, group works, unit tests and term assessments as a part of CAS. This evaluation system expects students to become active learners. In the middle and the senior schools, besides the three term examinations, there are three mid-term examinations (one in each term) to contribute the CAS.

Students missing the class tests will be assessed through alternative measures (re-test/ assignment/ observation), but mid-term and term exams are not offered again if missed once.

Language Policy

Most instructions are delivered in English; however, we give equal emphasis to Nepali language too. Besides additional English, the School also offers International languages such as Chinese and French. Students are expected to speak in English except with Nepali teachers and in Nepali classes.

Public Speaking Club and Language Lab

Since the beginning of the club days, the club members have been doing various activities displaying their English verbal skills. In the Club, we are sharing more ideas for effective actions and fun learning. We are trying to make a difference in the language level of the Public Speaking in Action club members and for this we have chosen and acted out many kinds of language games and plays. For clubs with younger participants, more organized group activities and presentations have been scheduled. So far up to now, activity games like 'honkey ponkey', 'run to the board', 'two truths and a lie', 'what would you do if I ...; 'find out what I am speaking' and many others have entertained the club members. We are looking forward to have more in the upcoming days; more like the impromptu speaking sessions and group works equipped with PowerPoint slides. We too have set up and started use of wellequipped language lab for English Language Classes. The purpose of a language lab is to involve students to actively participate in language learning exercises and get more practice than otherwise possible in a traditional classroom environment.

Mathematics Lab

We have set up Mathematics Lab for the students and the teachers to explore the world of mathematics, to discover, to learn and to develop an interest in mathematics. It is equipped with collection of games, puzzles and other teaching and learning materials related with Mathematics. The teachers can create interest among students or in anybody who wants to explore, and test some of their ideas, beliefs about mathematics. Every class has minimum one class in Mathematics Lab a week. We are pretty confident that this will add extra motivation among the students for Mathematics and will also work as a means to remove students' fear of Mathematics.

International Tour

As part of School's vision of developing students to adjust and make themselves standout in global platform, the school organized Internation Educational Tour to UK. The School's Vice Principal Mr. Shiva Shankar Ale led the team of nine students for the tour. The students were: Shristi Dangi (X GS), Samriddhi Shrestha (IX GS), Sulav Neupane (IX MP), Stella Lamichhane (IX AP), Arpan Bhattarai (VIII MP), Sujen Chapagain (VIII MP), Nitesh Bajgain (VIII MP), Aayushma Baniya (VII DG) and Bisakha Parajuli (VII AP). The students had English Language Classes with the Native Teachers from the UK. They also visited various parts of Cambridge and London. The programme did not only help them to make new friends and know about new place, and aware people about our culture but also enriched them with adaptation skills and knowledge required to be competitive in this globalised world.

Meditation and Motivation Classes

We organized motivation classes for the students of Grade VI, VII and VIII in collaboration with Art of Living Nepal. We believe motivation has vital role in making students' learning and development effective and systematic. That's why we had a week long motivation classes in group for the students of Grade VIII in collaboration with National Institute of Psychoeducational Counselling. We have plans for such motivation classes in upcoming days too. Our School's Counsellor Mrs. Prativa Tuladhar has been taking

motivation classes for individual students and groups on a need basis regularly.

Pre School Activities

Hygiene is one of the important aspects of our life. In order to make the pre scholars aware about it, hand washing activity was done in the month of Baisakh. Month of Jestha started with Dental Camp for Busy Preparatory students. The students not only had their dental check-up but also got information about oral and dental hygiene. To overcome the scorching summer heat, pre-scholars also had swimming activity. Preschool celebrated World Environment Day with various activities. Busy Preparatory Students went to the UN Park and had cleanliness activities over there. This way they realized their role as a member of community. In the same way, rest of the students (Pre School) got involved in cleaning their own pre-school premises. The month of Jestha ended with children putting on White Dresses during the school day (31st Jestha). The white them symbolized cleanliness, innocence, lightness and goodness.

On 15th of Asadh, Pre School students got involved in rice plantation activity in the paddy field of Bhaktapur. The students had real life experience of paddy plantation and at the same time had close connection with nature/mud and water. They also enjoyed our tradition of *Dahi Chiura* on the same day. On 29th of Asadh, Fruits and Vegetable Exhibition was organized in Pre School premises. It was not only about presentation of real fruits and vegetables, but more than this, students understood importance of fruits and vegetables as part of nutrition and balanced diet.

The month of Shrawan began with Mehendi activity for the students. Shadow play programme was also organized during this month. In this, the students had fun of storytelling skill through formation of shapes and arts in the shadow. As part of the theme for this month, children put on green dress, signifying respect for nature and greenery.

Primary School Activities

Primary school had English Handwriting Competition in the month of Baisakh. From Grade I, Prinsika Bhattarai, (I DG), Safal Karki (I GS) and Nabina Pun (I MP) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. Similarly, in Grade II, Aayush Aryal (II MP), Aarohi Udash (II GS) and Prabigya Shrestha (II DG) secured top 3 positions. Raunak Shah (III DG), Aryan Shrestha (III GS) and Manasi Dangi (III AP) held those positions in Grade III.

In the month of Jestha, there was Nepali Handwriting Competition. Nabina Pun (I MP), Prinisha Bhattarai (I DG) and Aaisha KC (I AP) held top three positions in Grade I. In Grade II, top three positions were secured by Prabigya Shrestha (II DG), Malina Rana (II MP) and Aakrit KC (II AP), respectively. Raunak Shah (III DG), Prayush Shakya (II MP) and Aryan Shrestha (III GS) secured top three positions.

Primary School also celebrated World Environment Day. The students from Primary School had Best from the Waste Exhibition on that Day. For this, students with the help and guidance of parents and teachers had produced various materials from the waster products. Grade I students were involved in making paper bags and then distributed those paper bags in the community in order to raise awareness against use of polythene bags. Students of Grade II and III were involved in cleaning their classrooms and their own blocks.

In the month of Asadh, Primary School students celebrated *Dahi Chiura* on 15th of Asadh. Bhanu Jayanti was also celebrated in a grand way by organizing Nepali Poem Recitation Competition. From Grade I, Kreation Acharya (I MP), Swaratmika Acharya (I DG) and Saksham Pandey (I MP) secured top three positions. Similarly, in Grade II, Ebosna Thapa (II MP), Shatabdi Bhatta (II AP) and Aayush Aryal (II MP) secured top three positions. From Grade III, Aahana Shrestha (III MP) secured First, Aayush Koirala (III MP) and Bipashyana Subedi stood Second and Bidhan Sapkota (III GS) secured Third Position.

Middle School and Senior School Activities

The academic session began with election for Student Body. The students went through election process for selecting student leaders. Following students have been selected as members of Students Council:

Name	Class	House	Designation
Pranjal Regmi	10 GS	Rupa House	School Prefect(Boy)
Aayusha Karki	10 AP	Rupa House	School Prefect(Girl)
			School Vice
Deep Neupane	9 AP	Rupa House	Prefect(Boy)
			School Vice
Subekshya Baral	9 MP	Rupa House	Prefect(Girl)
Saillee Singh			
Maharjan	9 MP	Phewa	House Captain
Siddhartha			
Amatya	8 MP	Phewa	House Vice Captain
Aayush Pathak	9MP	Tilicho	House Captain
Kezia Poudel	8 GS	Tilicho	House Vice Captain
Grishma			
Dhungana	9 MP	Rupa	House Captain
Prasoon Poudel	8 MP	Rupa	House Vice Captain
Satish Rawal	9 DG	Rara	House Captain
Irashu Karki	8 AP	Rara	House Vice Captain

On 21st Baisakh, Inter-House English Handwriting competition was organized for all the students from grade IV-IX. Following were the winners of this competition. In Group A Category, Yunish Neupane of IV GS (Rara), Suruchi Pandey of IV DG (Tilicho) and Manthan Kattel of V AP (Tilicho) secured First, Second and Third positions, respectively. Similarly, in group "B" Category, Prasanga Khanal of VI GS (Rupa), Aarogya Regmi of VII MP (Phewa) and Upasana Dhamala of VII DG (Tilicho) secured First, Second and Third position, respectively. In Group "C" category, Prerna Yadav of VII DG (Tilicho), Irashu Karki of VIII AP (Rara) and Ivanjila Poudel of IX DG (Rara) secured First, Second and Third positions, respectively.

The month of Jestha began with Inter House English Story Writing Competition. In Group "A" category, Roshi Yadav of Tilicho House (V AP), Swastik Adhikari of Phewa House (V GS) and Divyam Khadka of Phewa House (IV DG) secured First, Second and Third positions, respectively. Krish Singh of Rara House (VII DG), Eva Bhattarai of Phewa House (VII GS) and Swikriti Shrestha of Tilicho House (VI AP) stood First, Second and Third, respectively. In Group "C" Category, Yukta Sunuwar of Rara House (IX AP), Resha Acharya of Tilicho House (IX DG) and Aayush Raj Shah of Phewa House were First, Second and Third, respectively. on 11th of Bhadra, Dance Department organized Inter House Dance Competition. The competition in the beginning had

audition round for Choreographers and Participants from Dance Teachers. After the selection, the student choreographers along with participants went through practice before and after school time. Students competed in three categories of performances which included solo, duet and group dance from each individual houses. In the competition, Rupa House, Tilicho House and Rara House secured First, Second and Third positions, respectively. Students of Grade VIII, IX and X participated in Mathematic Exhibition at Nepal Academy Hall organized by Council for Mathematics In the exhibition, the students Mathematical applications in real life and many Mathematical verifications and investigations.

Like every year, this year too, World Environment Day was celebrated in grand manner organizing various activities. This year's theme for the day was "Stop Plastic Pollution". The day began with EPH Department conducting morning assembly activities with speech and news related with environment issues. Group of students performed a song on the theme of "Environment Conservation". The song was composed by ECA Incharge Mr. Siddhanta Rai. The students and teachers pinned Green Ribbons on their shirts to show their solidarity for the cause of environmental conservation. Inter-House Collage Competition (Best out of Waste) using Plastic and other waste materials was organized by Arts and Craft Department in which Tilicho House, Phewa House and Rupa House stood First, Second and Third, respectively. Similarly, Inter House Nepali Essay Competition was also organized on the same day. Stuti Panthi (Rupa), Prashun KC (Rupa) and Lunibha Maharjan (Tilicho) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively in Group "A" Category. In Group "B", Anmol Sen (Tilicho), Sneha Giri (Rupa) and Pratha Pokharel (Phewa) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. Pranisha Niraula (Tilicho), Yukta Sunuwar (Rara) and Aabhushan Kafle (Phewa) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively in the category of Group "C". Blood Donation Camp in coordination with Red Cross Society Nepal was held at the school premises which saw participation from teachers, staffs, guardians, members from community and students from different colleges of KMC Educational Network. In Inter House One Act Play Competition, Phewa House was the winner followed by

Rara and Tilicho as Second and Third. The winning House (Rara) staged the play at Sankhamul Chowk in coordination with the local community. The students from Grade VII to X were involved in Community Cleanliness Campaign whereas the students from Grade IV to VI cleaned the classrooms and school premises.

Grade IV students under guidance of Social Studies Teachers organized awareness rally against Child Marriage within the school premises. They had made placards with different slogans. Similarly, as part of Social Studies Curriculum, Grade X students were taken to the field visit of Pashupatinath Old Age Home. Grade VI Students put on costumes representing different cultural groups as part of "Diversity of Nepali Society" in Social Studies Curriculum. The month ended with Inter House Quiz Competition. In Group "A", Rara, Rupa and Tilicho Houses secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. Phewa, Rupa and Rara Houses stood First, Second and Third in Group "B". Similarly, in Group "C", Phewa, Rupa and Tilicho Houses secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively.

The month of Asadh too had various activities. The month began with Grade X Students organizing wonderful Farewell Programme for the SEE Batch 2074. The students showcased their Dance, Music and Anchoring Skills at the event. The passed out students along with their parents were felicitated at the event. Department of English organized Inter House Elocution Competition in order to build oratory skills with special emphasis on clear and expressive speech, distinct pronunciation and articulation. In Group "A", Aparna Nepal (Phewa, V AP), Ashishree Basnet (Tilicho, V DG) and Yunisha Neupane (Rara, IV AP) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. Stuti Panthi of IV AP (Rupa) and Prasiddhi Mainali of IV GS (Tilicho) won consolation prizes. In Group "B", Swikriti Shrestha (VI AP, Tilicho), Krish Singh (VII DG, Rara), Asmita Neupane (VII DG, Rupa) and Anjali Sharma (VI MP, Rupa) secured First, Second, Third and Consolation Positions, respectively. In Group "C", Aabhusan Kafle (Phewa, VIII MP), Resha Acharya (Tilicho, IX DG), Avignya Gautam(Rupa, VIII DG) and Yukta Sunuwar (Rara, IX AP) secured First, Second, Third and Consolation Positions, respectively.

On 29th of Asadh, KMC School commemorated 205th Bhanu Jayanti by organizing various activities. The assembly started with School Principal offering garland and flowers on the image of Aadikabi Bhanu Bhakta Acharya. The students recited lines from Bhanubhakta's version of Ramayan, and also recited poems penned by themselves. Level wise Poetry Competition was organized. The competition saw the list of stellar performances and recitals by young budding poets. In Group "A", Jessica Shah (Rara, IV GS), Aditi Amgain (Rara, V MP), Sakshyam Poudel (Tilicho, V DG) and Shivani Nepal (Rara, IV GS) secured First, Second, Third and Consoloation Prizes, respectively. Saubhana Bhandari (Tilicho, VII AP), Yuthika Neupane (Rara, VI AP), Swikriti Shrestha (Tilicho, VI AP) and Swapnil Sharma (Tilicho, VI DG) secured First, Second, Third and Consolation Positions, respectively in Group "B". Similarly, in Group "C", Noorshikha Neupane (Rupa, VIII AP), Aabhusan Kafle (Phewa, VIII MP), Pratikshya Kafle (Phewa, VIII DG) and Protsahan Bastola (Rara, IX GS) secured First, Second, Third and Consolation Positions, respectively.

The month of Asadh ended with Table Tennis Competition. In Boys Category of Group "A", Tenzing Lama (Rara, IV MP), Arush Sharma (Phewa, V AP) and Samyoj Kandel (Rara, V AP) secured top three positions. In Girls Category of the same group, Jyoti Dhakal (Rupa, IV MP), Kriti Shrestha (Rupa, V DG) and Sambriddhi BC (Rupa, V AP) secured First, Second, Third and Consolation Positions, respectively. In the boys category of Group "B", Rahul Sharma (VII MP, Phewa), Kamal Kharel (VI DG, Phewa) and Rohit Yadav (VII AP, Rupa) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. Saubhana Bhandari (VII AP, Tllicho), Sonika Rijal (VII MP, Tilicho) and Bandana Gyawali (VII MP, Rara) secured First, Second and Third Positions, respectively. In group "C" Boys Category, Anup Subedi (Rupa, IX AP), Raunak Byanjar (Rara, IX DG) and Bhridayandra Shahi held top 3 positions, respectively. Among the Girls, Sneha Poudel (Rara, IX DG), Prashamsha Kunwar (Tilicho, VIII MP) and Yojana GC (Phewa, IX GS) were in top three categories.

Interschool Competitions

Jessica Bhandari (SEE Batch 2074) secured 2nd Runner Up Position in Miss Teen SEE. Similarly, Stuti Swar of VII

AP secured Second Runner Up Position in Miss Cinderella Nepal. Yuthika Neupane of VI AP won Miss Punctuality Title and Suvika Dubey of Grade V won Miss Talent in the same competition. Our students participated in Inter School Debate Competition organized by Bhrihaspati School. Team KMC stood Fifth out of 14 participating schools. Our School Football Team participated in three Football Competitions: Inter School Futsal Tournament (Vidhya Sanskar School), SEE Cup (Modern Indian School) and SEE Open Football Tournament (Sano Gaucharan Club). Aayush Neure and Bipin Ranabhat of Grade X participated in 3rd Football 2018 organized by English Quiz Competition Preparatory School. They reached semi-final of the event.

Training and Development

Training and development of human resources has been one of our focus for this academic session. We believe quality human resource can only deliver quality services in every sector of school life. This year we conducted intensive teachers training, Front office staff training and Canteen staff training.

We started the session with teacher training on 26th and 27th of Chaitra, 2074, and also from 4th to 7th of Baishakh, 2075 with the theme - "Action Based Instruction". We guided the teachers to develop activities and organize classroom setting for interactive, experiential and joyful learning environment. During the workshops, we even had special sessions for levelwise and subject specific teachers. Expert for action based learning, Mr. Arjun Bhatta, senior teacher trainer and curriculum expert, Mr. Krishna Pokharel, Academic Advisor, Prof. Dr. Ramesh Bhattarai; and the School Principal, Mr. Dwarika Nath Amgain led the workshops. Teachers also worked on developing policy issues including SWOT analysis, the action plans, positive discipline strategies, lesson plans for progressive instructional approaches, CAS implementation and so on.

Arrival of Mr. Peter Hermann Assilinger, world-class Educationist and Trainer from Switzerland, added a very significant impact in teacher development. His stay from 19th May to 16th June 2018 contributed a lot to change the instructional activities. He, along with the

School Principal, observed 45 full classes and offered Feedback to each teacher after class observation. He offered 6 training sessions for teachers and shared many wonderful ideas and strategies. He also led a day leadership workshop at Nagarkot for the Head of Department, Incharges and Executive team of the School. His observation and feedback on other aspects of school life are also highly appreciable.

teachers from Mathematics Department attended one day National Conference on Mathematics in Nepal. The conference's issue was "Mathematics in Nepal; challenges and opportunities in the competitive edge of 21st century". Two teachers of Pre School and two from Primary School attended a day workshop at Rato Bangala School on "Read Aloud". Four Pre School Teachers attended Phonics Training organized by ECEC. All the Pre School Parent and Teachers attended one day workshop on using Smart Books in classrooms and at home. Teachers from English Department attended workshop on "ELT Methods". Three other members from the same department attended one day workshop organized by Professor Dr. Shreedhar Lohani.

We continued the Canteen Staff Training this year as well. Mr. Uddav Ghimire supported us for making our canteen team more professional in their works. Mr Ghimire, parent of one of our students, has been working at Hotel Yak & Yeti as Convention Sales Manager. We highly appreciate his time and contribution.

We also organized one day training for the Front Office Staff. We invited front office staff from our network organizations too. Mr. Ajay Regmi and Mr. Preetam Paudyal (Positive Vibrations) led the program. We will continue such training and development activities for the entire session.

I would like to thank all of you for your support and cooperation in successful completion of this first quarter. Thank you KMC Team and students for accomplishing many activities during this period.

Principal Dwarika Nath Amgain