



Dear Parents,

We know that you want to strengthen communication with the school, and we are making great efforts to achieve this. However, despite sharing our survey through various channels over the past three weeks, we have only received 90 responses out of 400 families.

We send you the Friday Newsletter every Friday, yet many parents have indicated that they do not read these emails. However, this bulletin shares all important announcements, updates, and school events. Using these communication channels will help you stay informed about the school and your child's education. Additionally, we will be holding our **Parent-Teacher Meeting on Friday, March 22, from 09:00 to 16:00.**

- Teachers will contact primary school parents to schedule an appointment.
- Grade 5 and 6 parents will be at school from 9 AM to 12 PM
- Grade 7,8 and 9 parents will be at school from 1 PM to 4 PM
- High school parents will come from 1 PM to 4 PM
- Those who have more than one child can come according to their appointment

Your participation in this meeting is crucial for closely following your child's academic and social development. Please mark your calendars in advance.

Dear Keystone and Kilittaşı Community,

Technology has become an indispensable part of our lives today. Its benefits in education, communication, and daily life are undeniable. However, we are also aware that **unconscious and excessive use** can negatively impact our children, leading to **distraction, difficulty focusing, emotional instability, and challenges in social relationships.**

With this awareness, our **Dual 8** class embarked on a unique research project and successfully completed a **21-day technology detox.**

Our goal during this process was to help students **explore alternative activities beyond screen time, improve their focus, and strengthen their social relationships.**

We incorporated expert insights and evaluated students' experiences using pre-tests, post-tests, and observation methods. By the end of the 21-day detox, we observed **significant improvements** in students who successfully completed the challenge, including:

- Increased attention span
- Stronger friendships
- Improved emotional expression
- Enhanced self-regulation skills



We sincerely thank our esteemed expert Dr. Nilüfer Devecigil, Ceyda Düvenci, our supportive parents who trusted the process, and most importantly, our dedicated students who completed these 21 days with great determination. Through this experience, they discovered that quality time is possible without being dependent on technology and gained invaluable personal growth. Moving forward, we will continue to promote such awareness initiatives to support our students in leading a **balanced and healthy life**. We are excited to extend similar efforts across the school community in the near future.

ÇANAKKALE TRIP

This week, our students embarked on a journey through history! 42 students and 4 teachers participated in an unforgettable trip to Çanakkale. This overnight visit was not just a tour but an opportunity for our students to experience one of the most significant moments in history.

Çanakkale holds great importance not only for Turkish history but also for world history. The Gallipoli Campaign of 1915 was a turning point that demonstrated the spirit of independence, sacrifice, and solidarity. Moreover, this battlefield, where soldiers from different nations once stood against each other, has now become a symbol of peace and friendship.

Our students had the chance to connect with history and discover the valuable lessons the past holds for the present. We look forward to hearing about their experiences!



Celebrating Francophonie Day on March 20!

Francophonie Day is celebrated every year on March 20 to honor the rich cultural heritage of French-speaking communities worldwide. This special day reminds us that language is not just a means of communication but also a bridge that unites cultures and values.

We will mark this occasion with various activities and welcome guests from the Canadian Consulate to explore the global influence of Francophonie.

We encourage our students to come to school on this day wearing outfits or accessories that reflect French culture. Will they wear a beret, dress in the colors of the French flag, or bring a Paris-themed accessory?

We can't wait to see their creativity!

au revoir

Kilittaşı's Champion Girls Are Heading to Ankara!



Kilittaşı Tennis Team continues to make history! After winning the Marmara Regional Tournament, our incredible players Almıla, Naz, and Duru claimed first place in the interregional championship in Zonguldak.

Now, they are preparing to compete for the Turkish Championship in Ankara!



We are incredibly proud of their dedication, discipline, and team spirit, and we wish them continued success!

Interhouse Competition Excitement

On Friday, March 14, the Social Studies Department organised the Interhouse Competitions, where our students showcased their teamwork and knowledge. This exciting event featured challenges in history, geography, and general knowledge as house teams competed for the championship. House of Caribous for the Middle School, and House of Orcas for the High School claimed victory!



Have a great weekend!