



Dear Parents,

As we approach exam week, we want to ensure that students feel prepared and supported. Exams will take place from March 24 to 27, and we encourage students to review their materials and get plenty of rest. Attached to this newsletter, you will find the exam schedule for your reference. Please help your child manage their time effectively and reach out if you have any questions.



## Makeup Exam Policy

We want to remind you that students must be present during exam week. Make-up exams will only be allowed for students with a medical emergency, and a doctor's report must be provided in accordance with our policy.

## International Women's Day

In celebration of International Women's Day, our Round Square team conducted teacher interviews to raise awareness about global women's issues. Through these discussions, we explored the importance of gender equality and the incredible contributions of women worldwide. Did you know? The first country to grant women the right to vote was New Zealand in 1893!



## Parent Survey



Your feedback is invaluable in helping us enhance our programs and better serve our school community. The survey takes only a few minutes, and your responses will help us assess our current programs and plan for the upcoming academic year. Click here to complete the survey:

<https://forms.gle/DRxEVkWvcxBQpvX18>

## Meet Our Advisory Board

We are proud to introduce our esteemed Advisory Board members who play a pivotal role in guiding our school's strategic direction and ensuring educational excellence:



**Lisa Smith:** Currently the Vice Principal of Valley Elementary School in Nova Scotia, Canada, Lisa served as Keystone Schools' principal during the 2014-2015 school year. Her leadership and dedication left a lasting impact, and we are thrilled to have her back on our advisory team.



**Doğa Demirsu-Doran:** As the Head of Keystone School in Toronto, Doğa leads a private institution known for its project-based learning and nurturing environment. She holds a Bachelor of Science from UMass and a Master's in Global Leadership from McGill. Under her leadership, the Toronto campus is on its way to becoming an IB school, expanding its international and local student base.



**Erin Colak:** After serving as Vice Principal at Keystone for several years, Erin and her family have moved back to Austria due to an exciting job offer for her husband. While this decision is bittersweet, we are excited to have Erin continue her connection with Keystone as an advisory board member, allowing her to contribute to the school's success from afar.



**Sema Kızılkaya (Chair of the Advisory Board):** A dedicated educator since 1991, Sema has shaped the early childhood and K-12 education landscape with a vision centered on fostering a sense of belonging and joy in students. She believes education must go beyond knowledge transfer, equipping students with practical life skills, creativity, and adaptability to navigate an ever-changing world. Her approach emphasizes multilingualism, well-being, and core values that prepare students for both academic and personal success.

*Have a great weekend!*