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Dear KISMS Parents:

Welcome to the close of an excellent first semester. Our students have had a great first half of the school academically and in clubs, activities, and in general. We know everyone is looking forward to a much needed break. We hope that you and your children have the opportunity to relax and reconnect over the holidays. This is an excellent time to reflect upon all of the great things that we experienced at the start of this school year, even as we begin planning for next semester.

Principal's Coffee

On January 23rd, we will be hosting a principal's coffee in the Conference Hall in G building. This will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions a little less formal setting. After the meeting, 8th grade parents are invited to stay for presentations and information from counselors about registering for HS classes for next year. The meeting begins at 10 am, with the counselors beginning their presentation at 11:30 am.

Lockers

We have had questions about locker location and how students are assigned them. We assign these lockers and their locations based on where students are for their midday classes. There are no current plans to make changes to the way these lockers are assigned, as this has managed to be the most effective placement of the lockers for our students.

Semester One Grades and Report Card

The Powerschool view for parents and students closed beginning on December 8th and will remain closed until 8:00 am on December 15th for grading. Our teachers are working hard to gather assignments and write comments. This window of time allows us to organize all of the data and information. Also, grades are updated frequently throughout the semester and if there are ever any questions regarding grades, please contact the teacher directly. The official Semester One Report Cards will be sent by mail in late December. If you would rather pick the report card up from the MS office, please email Ms. Kelly Park at mssecretary@kis.or.kr.

Questions about a class?

At KISMS, we want to urge all parents to contact teachers if there are questions or concerns pertaining to any of the classes their child is taking. All of the teachers will gladly respond as soon as they are able to any emails or phone calls. Please remember that communication is key to a successful school system.

What to do if my student has an issue or trouble in a class?

Dr. Elethia Rhoden is our MS Counselor and she is here to support all of our students and parents if

there is a challenging time. We also believe it is important for our students to address issues that come up by speaking directly to their teachers (Dr. Rhoden or our administration can help with this conversation) so they can take responsibility for their own education. Our administrative and counseling offices are open and accessible so please encourage your student to connect with us anytime.

Have a great semester break. We look forward to seeing you and your children back in January!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Slaid". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "S".

Jim Slaid
Middle School Principal
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School