

Partners for Learning March 10th, 2021

All offerings are presented in both sessions

5:30pm: Opening [Zoom link](#)

5:50pm: Session 1

6:40pm: Session 2



Link	Topic	Presenter
Zoom	<p>Understanding WIDA Assessment in GES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The purpose of the WIDA assessment • The information it can give us • How we use the data to support children's learning • How families can support your child's English Language Learning at home 	Lisa Pongpiriyaporn
Zoom	<p>Parenting Young Children – A Crash Course in Positive Discipline.</p> <p>Parents will gain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valuable support and parenting strategies that will empower them to guide their children's social, emotional and behavioral development. • Positive, long-term solutions for raising kids who feel confident and capable. • Non-punitive, respectful methods that incorporate kindness and firmness into parenting and help parents get to the core of their child's misbehavior. 	Yasmeen Ghunaim Josh Doyle
Zoom	<p>Social Media and Our Children – A Force for Good or Ill?</p> <p>Come join a small-group screening of <i>'Like'</i> – a provocative indie film on the impact of social media in our lives today.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watch the documentary on the effects of technology on our children's brains • Join a post-screening discussion on how we can help our children find balance in a digital age • Contribute to a discussion on how we can use this film at KAUST to support digital responsibility <p>Note: this film and subsequent discussion, will run for the duration of the two Partners for Learning slots.</p>	Dr. Paul O'Callaghan Donovan Hall
Zoom	<p>MYP Personal Project – All You Need To Know!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the Personal Project? • What do I have to do? • How can I be successful? 	Pete Powell Evie Vaoga

Zoom	<p>Reading Illustrated Books With Your Children – Tips From a Book Creator</p> <p>This is a virtual author visit just for TKS parents!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get to know Shanda and her work • The power & skill of "reading pictures" (in tandem with words) • Demonstration - storytime for grownups and Q&A 	<p>Shanda McCloskey, children's book author and illustrator, supported by Candace Taylor-Weber, TKS KG Librarian</p>
Zoom	<p>Help! How can I help support a struggling reader?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Background to understand why some children struggle to read and write. • Importance of decoding over learning sight words. • How can parents help at home? 	<p>Heather Gatenby</p>
Zoom	<p>The Extended Essay and CAS—The Core of the Diploma</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How do Diploma students fulfil their CAS and EE requirements? • How do students balance these with their subject area academic workload? • How can I support my child as they embark on this journey? 	<p>Catherine De Levay Beth Lincoln</p>
Zoom	<p>Cycling For Life: Well-Being and Health Through Cycling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting young people's growth and well-being through cycling • Examples of different types of activities that you can do with your children on a bike • Sharing the research behind physical activity and well-being 	<p>Andy Vasily</p>
Zoom	<p>What is Going On With My Middle Schooler?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ever wonder why middle schoolers act the way that they do? • Learn more about what is happening to the brain during these challenging years. • Understand the developmental, intellectual, social and emotional characteristics of this unique stage of development. 	<p>Adam Kuestermann</p>
Zoom	<p>Elevating and Engaging Learning Through TKS and KAUST Partnerships</p> <p>The presentation will share how partnerships between TKS and KAUST have led to enriched learning experiences through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successful student engagement with KAUST divisions • Authentic contributions from TKS students to KAUST projects • Connections to future careers through the WISE internship programme 	<p>Azra Hanif Emma Nason</p>
Zoom	<p>Foundation Skills in Kindergarten</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are foundation skills and the Kinetic Scale? • The connection between moving and learning • An in-depth look at each of the six Kinetic Scale physicalities 	<p>Katarina Sladakovic Zack Smith</p>
Zoom	<p>Building Strong Readers and Writers in K3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is balanced literacy? • What does it look like at school? • How can families support at home? 	<p>Dawn Verdoni Kate Loucks</p>

