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**THE KINDERGARTEN STARTERS - DUBAI
CIRCULAR
OPEN DOOR Parent Survey-March 2021**

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Dear Parents,

The Open Door initiative has been in place in KGS since 2016 and has strengthened year on year. We opened our doors to parents and invited them to observe lessons and provide feedback to us so that we could improve. Since then, 3000 parents have come in each year to sit in on lessons and give us their feedback about the teaching learning process at our school. This practice has brought about a cultural change in the school in the mindsets of all stakeholders. Parents were appreciative of the unique strategies the teachers used in their lessons to cater to the needs of different groups of students, the teacher pupil bond and the visible student thinking in the lessons. Parents became our critical buddies and suggested a few modifications, most of which were taken on board. The teachers became more confident as they built stronger partnerships with their parent community taking on board their suggestions and addressing their concerns. Our students were happy to see their parents in lessons and took pride in their active engagement in their learning journey.

During this academic year the pandemic and the resultant remote learning opened our classroom doors wider to all our 5000 families with no invitation required. In addition to all our parents, we had around 50 representatives of the Parent in Partnership Committee and the Local Advisory Board representatives, who were invited for a learning walk with the SLT across all grades in the school. Valuable feedback from our parent community and the Local Advisory Board were fed forward into making our remote learning absolutely robust and effective in drawing the best from our students during this challenging period.

It is time to measure the impact this new normal Open Door Learning has had on our student outcomes. We request you to take 5 minutes to reflect on and answer a brief survey with regard to your remote learning Open Door Learning experience at KGS in the last 10 months. Please click on the link appended to take the survey. **Please submit the survey on or before 14th of March.**



[Open Doors Survey Link](#)

The entire KGS Team extends its deep gratitude to you for your dedicated time, strong partnership, valuable feedback and unstinted co-operation throughout the year.

Thank you.

Warm regards,

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