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INTRODUCING KUTUBEE INTERACTIVE PLATFORM FOR READING 2024-25

Dear parents / students of Grade 1 to 9,

Greetings!

We are happy to inform you that we will be using Kutubee as our interactive reading platform at our school for this academic year 2024-25. In cooperation with Kutubee, we conducted a training workshop to our teachers to inform them about the improvements and updates on the platform to facilitate their follow-up and to use it in an interactive and effective way this year with our students.

Please find below a list of the Kutubee updates:

- A new and improved French leveled reading program.
- New content was added to Kutubee, please find it below:
 - Biographies of Arab scientists and global figures.
 - Scientific series and non-fiction content
 - Award-winning stories from various publishers
 - Novels for higher grades.

A summary about Kutubee Platform is attached for your reference.

Kutubee is a digital educational platform that is specialized in children's audio and visual books that can be read in a fun and interactive way. The platform contains more than 1600 titles for children ages 5 to 14 in Arabic, English and French languages from several well-known Arabic and international publishing houses.

Books available on **Kutubee** are classified by:

- Levelled Reading
- Subject
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Age

Features of Kutubee:

Some of the students-related features are:

1. Reading Placement test: The student starts their reading journey with a placement test that will help them in identifying the reading appropriate reading level.



- 2. <u>"Read to Me" Feature</u>: Enables students to listen to audio stories while highlighting the read word simultaneously and without internet connection by downloading them on any smart device.
- **3.** Recording voices using drawing: Parents, teachers and students can enrich the content of the stories by recording their voices creatively inside and outside the classroom.
- **4.** Recording the students' voice and sharing with teachers: Students can record the story with their voice and share it with their teachers.
- **5.** <u>Highlight and Add to Vocabulary Feature</u>: Students can highlight any word in the story or add it as a vocabulary entry and classify it based on different parts of speech.
- **6.** Reading Assignments Feature: The teacher can assign a reading homework for each student, for a group of students or for the whole class depending on students and classes learning needs.
- 7. <u>Writing tool</u>: which allows students to rewrite any story on the platform in their own words and unleash their creativity.

Using Kutubee application:

- You can download the application on your smart phones, tablets, and computers using this link: https://www.kutubee.com/download
 Also, you can check the Kutubee application online using this link: https://read.kutubee.com
- 2. To enjoy reading on Kutubee, you need to enter your username and password, which will be provided by the school through respective class teachers.
- 3. For additional help you can visit support.kutubee.com.
 - English guide video: http://youtu.be/XqQUrhWxsS0

We are committed to keeping you informed with our plans for improvement of the school curriculum and will issue any follow up communication as necessary.

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