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87,000 students start new school year today in Kuwait

Ministry of Interior in full gear for new school year



KUWAIT: Archive photos showing public school students on their first day of school. — KUNA photos

KUWAIT: About 87,111 students from kindergarten and elementary levels start their 2019-2020 school year today. In a statistical study published by Ministry of Education, the total number of kindergarten students reached up to 31,558 in 196 schools in all educational areas. On the other hand, the ministry said that the total number of elementary school students reached 148,866 students, 126,362 of them are Kuwaitis. However, 126,056 students in middle schools, and 81,491 students of high school will begin their new year tomorrow and Tuesday respectively. The ministry announced that 72,045 teachers have begun their school year last Sunday in 853 schools on different educational levels. This year witnessed the opening of 20 new schools that have successfully operated and have provided all necessary human and financial needs.

Meanwhile, Kuwait's Ministry of Interior (MoI) is in full gear for the start of the new school year



Traffic lights adjusted according to cars' flow

2019-2020, launching a media campaign and deploying police forces to ensure safety of students

and facilitate traffic. MoI will distribute patrol vehicles on highways, major roads and intersections as well as deploy police forces at entrances and exits of schools to make sure cars move smoothly, according to a statement by the ministry's Public Relations and Security Media Department yesterday. It added that timings of traffic lights would be adjusted according to flow of cars in order to reduce congestions. MoI called on people to leave their homes as early as possible in the morning in order to avoid traffic congestions, which would ultimately minimize accidents. It urged drivers to wear seat belts, abide by speed limits and never pass a red light, and refraining from using the emergency lane in highways unless in emergency cases, never park in parking lots of people with special needs nor parking in front schools' gates. — KUNA

Kuwait govt, Twitter discuss cooperation

KUWAIT: The head of the government's communication center and the spokesman of the Kuwaiti government Tariq Al-Mezrm met yesterday with

Twitter's Director for Middle East, North Africa and Pakistan Benjamin Ampen and commercial vice president of Connect Ads Agency Mohammed Mujahid. The government's communication center said in a press statement that the meeting dealt with supporting relations and exchanging experience in social media fields and benefiting from the experience of Twitter in developing communication mechanisms and strengthening them with the government agencies. — KUNA



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Kuwaiti, Iraqi lawmakers discuss bilateral ties

BAGHDAD: Nothing can harm the Kuwaiti-Iraqi relations as long as there are international organizations and governing institutions, a Kuwaiti lawmaker said. MP Khalil Abdullah made that statement during a visit that a number of Kuwaiti lawmakers held with Iraqi

Parliament Speaker Mohammad Al-Halbousi, during which they held talks over strengthening bilateral ties. "Everyone is eager to strengthen bonds of cooperation between the two countries," Abdullah stressed.

Head of the Kuwaiti parliamentary delegation Rakan Al-Nisf said after the meeting that they had received an invitation from Halbousi to discuss means to buttress bilateral relations and joint parliamentary cooperation. He noted that the parliamentary relations between the two countries had undergone remarkable progress. He also hailed the success of the Iraqi parliament's hosting the meetings of the standing financial and administrative committee of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly. — KUNA



BAGHDAD: Kuwaiti lawmakers meet with Iraqi Parliament Speaker Mohammad Al-Halbousi. — KUNA

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