

Ms. Abi Principal Dear Families,

Please follow <u>this link</u> to watch a welcome back to school video from our new Principal, Ms. Abigail Fishbourne.

We look forward to seeing everyone back soon.



An Ode to the New Year

At Raha KCC, the new year's here, A time of joy, a time of cheer. In our IB school, dreams take flight, Opportunities shine so bright. New friends to meet, new things to learn, With every day, for growth we yearn. Challenges and fun in every class, Moments that we'll make sure to amass. Our core commitment, opening doors, To knowledge, courage, and so much more. Unlocking unique potential in all, In a community where we rise and stand tall. A world of global learners, side by side, Exceeding expectations, with pride. Excitement bubbles, futures gleam, Together we'll achieve each dream. At Raha KCC, let's begin, A year of wonders, let's dive in!



Summer Issue



KCC Parent Team

Our Parent Team is the heart of our school. The group of parent volunteers work tirelessly putting on events and activities for the KCC community.

They're waiting to connect with you. Find them on Instagram <u>here</u>.





Friday 16th August: Term 1 Fees Due

Don't forget term 1 fees must be paid by the end of today. Any payments after this may delay your child's start to school. Any questions, please contact our finance team: kccaccounts@ris.ae.

Wednesday 21st August: Class Placements

Student class placements will be sent to parents on Wednesday 21st August.

We will only place students into a class if Term 1 fees have been paid. If you have not paid, please do so urgently so we can put your child in a class. For any **finance** related queries please contact <u>kccaccounts@ris.ae</u>.

Monday 26th August: Community Orientation Day

This is not a full day of school. This day is designed to settle our new students and connect our returning students with their new teachers and classes. Please click on the links below for more details surrounding the timings of the day.

- Minis
- <u>EY1</u>
- <u>EY2</u>
- Grade 1 to Grade 5
- Grade 6 to Grade 11

From 8am to 12pm, key members of the school community will be available in the canteen and admin blocks to answer questions and queries. This is a great opportunity to collect ID badges, say Hi to the Nurses or meet with the Student Support Team. Our ECP providers will also be on site if you would like more information about their services.

From Tuesday 27th August

Minis & Early Years 1

New students in the Minis and EY1 will have a staggered schedule to support children to settle into school. Children will attend in groups for shorter sessions. Information regarding the staggered start and the sign-ups for these has been sent out by Anna Lacey, Vice Principal, and further details will be sent out with the class placements on Wednesday 21st August. (Please note that children transitioning from the Minis into EY1 will start school on Tuesday and follow usual school hours).

Early Year 2 to Grade 11

Our first full day of school for our EY2 to Grade 11 students will be on Tuesday 27th August.

Our usual time to start the school day in EY2 to Grade 11 is 7:45am or 7:50am, however for the first few weeks we will extend our drop off times.

Normal School Timings

Please find below the normal school timings. You will see that different sections of the school have slightly different timings and arrangements so please read this carefully!

For the first few weeks of school we will extend the morning drop off period to 8am allow families time to find their way around. From Monday 30th September the gates will close at 7.50am

	Gates Open	School Starts	School Ends	Gates Close
Minis and EY1 *After shortened hours	7:30a	7.50am	Monday to Thursday: 12.45 - 1.00pm Friday: 11.45-12.00pm Collection from external doors of classroom.	1:15 pm Late students to be collected from the Early Years Front Desk, Gate 2
EY2		7.50am	Monday to Thursday: 1.45 - 2.00pm Friday: 11.45 - 12.00 pm Collection from external doors of classroom.	2:15 pm Late students to be collected from the Early Years Front Desk Gate 2
Grade 1 – 5		2 7.50am	Monday to Thursday: 2.45 - 3.00pm Friday: 11.45 - 12.00 pm Collection from external doors of classroom.	3:15 pm Late students to be collected from Main Front Desk Gate 1
Grade 6 - 10		7:45am	Monday to Thursday: 3.00 pm Friday: 12.00pm Students are allowed to leave the school gates on their own.	3:15pm
Grade 11		7:45am	Monday and Wednesday: 4:00pm Tuesday and Thursday: 3:00pm Friday: 12:00pm	Mon & Wed: 4:15pm Tue & Thu: 3:15pm

Parking

For the first couple of weeks, we plan for congestion in the parking lot. We have temporarily extended drop-off times to 8.00 am to help with this.

We have staff at all gates to ensure a safe drop and go approach for families.

Early Years operates a drop and go approach which can be used by all students.

If you want to walk your student into school, we encourage you to park in the spaces across the road outside of the school car parks.

Parent Badges

All parents, guardian and carers coming onto site will need a parent/guardian ID badge. Please follow <u>this link</u> to sign up.

After week 1, Parents without a parent badge will not be allowed on site. We suggest taking a photo of your badge on your phone, so if you ever forget it, we can visually see the badge and give you a visitor's lanyard.

Medical information



It is essential that we have the most up to date medical information on your child. Please email any information or updates to medical notes to our fabulous nurses on <u>kccnurse@ris.ae</u>.

School Uniform

School uniform is available from Magrudy's at Al Forsan Mall or <u>online here</u>.

For more information on our uniform guidelines, please follow <u>the link</u>.

Extra-Curricular Programmes (ECPs)

Our ECP calendar will come out in the Raha Reminders over the next few weeks.

For Teacher Led ECPS please note;

Monday, 16th Sept to Friday, 15th Nov

EY1	1pm to 1:45pm			
EY2	2pm to 2:45pm			
Gl to Gll	3pm to 4pm			
*Minis will begin in January				

Please note, there is <u>no bus service</u> available after ECPs.

Education outside of the classroom

We are busy planning some residential and camps for our Grade 5 and Secondary students. Please see the <u>link here</u>.



Buses

Emirates Transport is our bus service provider.

- Minis and EY1 bus students leave around 12.35 pm from the Early Years gate.
- EY2 bus students leave around 1.35 pm from the Early Years gate.
- Grade 1 to Grade 10 leave class at 3pm. Buses will leave campus by 3.15 pm.
- Grade 11 leave class on Monday and Wednesday at 4pm and buses will leave campus by 4.15 pm. On Tuesday and Thursday Grade 11 students will leave class at 3pm and buses will leave campus at 3.15pm.

On Fridays all students leave at 12.15 pm.

We imagine there will be delays with buses for the first few weeks due to starting logistics. The timings of buses leaving KCC and students arriving home may be longer than usual. We endeavor to use this week to work with the bus company, teachers and students to get them all on the buses and off school as quickly and safely as possible.

Please be patient with the bus company over the first few weeks of the school year as we work together to ensure our service exceeds expectations,

If students are unaccounted for, this can delay the bus departure. Please ensure that a parent informs the bus monitors of any changes to normal pick up and drop off. An adult must be there to receive students from the bus in the Early Years and lower primary grades. For any queries on buses or to register please contact: <u>kcctransportation@ris.ae.</u>

Family Handbook For all information on Academic Calendar KCC, please view our 2024/2025 **General Enquiries** Family Handbook Please see the ADEK <u>here</u>. approved calendar 🔀 kccfrontdesk@ris.ae here. **(**) +971(0)2 5505271 Secondhand **Uniform Shop** For more information on Socials for KCC the SHUS, please read our FAQs here. Summer Issue