

# RAHA REMINDERS

## Khalifa City Campus

### Wonderful Second Week of Ramadan at Raha KCC

As we move through the second week of Ramadan, the atmosphere at Raha KCC has been truly special. Students are adapting well to the new lesson timings, demonstrating resilience and dedication to their learning. It has been wonderful speaking with some of our fasting students who, despite the long days and broken sleep, are managing their time with impressive maturity. We want to remind all students that if they find fasting challenging during the school day, they are always welcome to reach out to staff or take a quiet moment away from the hustle and bustle when needed.



Ms. Abi  
Principal

Last week, it was a pleasure to meet with our secondary leaders and take part in a training session on academic integrity; a key element in fostering trust and respect in our learning environment. Today, I have been working closely with our secondary curriculum leaders to discuss the promotions policy, ensuring that every student has the support and structure needed for success. Looking ahead, after the spring break, we will be holding a parent session to introduce our new secondary behaviour policy, which is already making a noticeable positive impact in the school. Walking around campus, we can see and feel the improvements in the learning environment, and students themselves have been speaking about the benefits of these changes.



Additionally, in the new term, we have arranged a parent presentation to introduce alternative pathways for students in Grade 11 and 12, ensuring every student is supported in their individual academic journey.

### The Power of Relationships at KCC

At Raha KCC, relationships are at the heart of everything we do. Inspired by the work of Paul Dix, we take a restorative approach to behavior, emphasizing respect, accountability, and empathy. Strong relationships between educators and students create a culture where children feel safe, valued, and responsible for their actions. When conflicts arise, we focus on dialogue and reconciliation rather than punishment, using restorative circles and guided conversations to help students reflect, understand their impact, and actively repair relationships. Beyond the classroom, our OSRAH house system fosters belonging, teamwork, and mentorship, reinforcing our commitment to a supportive, family-like school environment.

Our diverse community of over 90 nationalities and 40 mother languages provides a unique opportunity to build meaningful connections. Parents play a crucial role in shaping how children engage in relationships, especially in an international school setting where students develop global perspectives. Encouraging friendships across cultures, prioritizing family bonding, and modeling positive conflict resolution help children develop strong relational skills. As a school, we celebrate relationships through buddy reading, group projects, and restorative circles, reinforcing the belief that learning goes beyond academics—it is about the bonds we build. Next week, our Annual Community Iftar will be a wonderful opportunity to come together, reflect, and strengthen the connections that make KCC a truly special place.

We are also looking forward to our Annual Community Iftar next week, a beautiful opportunity for our school community to come together, share in the spirit of Ramadan, and break our fasts as one family. It will be a wonderful chance to strengthen our relationships, reflect, and appreciate the connections that make KCC such a special place.



[The Power of Relationships](#)

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### Key Dates

March	
10-21	School photos
10-21	Re-registration
14	ECPs Signup opens at 6pm
17	ECP Signup closes at 10am
18	DP Mid-course exam webinar
19	EY2 Professions Expo
19	KCC Community Iftar
21	Last day of Term 2
24 Mar-04 Apr	Spring Break
April	
7	Term 3 Begins

**Term 3  
ECPs List!**



### Term 2 Menu

The KCC Cobra is on holiday.



**SIGN UP!**

### Spring Break Camps

Swim  
(at KCC)

Multi-Sport  
(at Gardens)



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Raha International School KCC  
cordially invites our community  
to join us for our annual

## KCC IFTAR

Bring your favorite dish to share with all:  
appetizer, main, dessert or drinks.

NO NUTS

19 March, 2025  
from 5:45 pm



**RSVP**

## Whole School

### Service Learning Fridays

KCC is proud to be actively engaging in ADEK's Service Fridays, offering a range of meaningful activities that empower our students to give back to the community. These initiatives are deeply connected to our ConnectEd programme in Secondary, fostering a culture of action and global citizenship, while also aligning with our SEL Wellbeing curriculum, which emphasises service as a key pillar of emotional and social growth. Rooted in IB philosophy and the CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) framework, these experiences develop students' leadership, empathy, and commitment to making a positive impact on the world around them.

Service is a core principle in Islam, not only through charity (Sadaqah) and Zakat, but also in volunteerism, helping others, and fulfilling the needs of the community. These are all forms of voluntary worship, strongly encouraged in numerous Islamic texts. As the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said: "The most beloved people to Allah are those who are most beneficial to others." This spirit of service extends beyond charity, it is about taking action, showing kindness, and uplifting those in need.

Service is a universal value across faiths and cultures, emphasizing kindness, generosity, and social responsibility. In our diverse community, it is more than an act – it's a way of life that unites us for the greater good. Research shows that giving boosts happiness, reduces stress, and strengthens communities, with the most meaningful experiences driven by the joy of giving rather than external rewards.

At home, fostering gratitude and service can create a lifelong habit of kindness. Simple acts like volunteering, donating, or daily reflections on gratitude help children develop empathy. Why not set a weekly family challenge, such as writing thank-you notes, preparing care packages, or finding small ways to make a difference in your community?

By embedding these values into daily life, we nurture compassionate, globally minded individuals who understand that service is not just an event, but a mindset.



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### Attention! Attention!



Want to share your wisdom with our students? Read below!

#### Careers Fair: Parents needed from any sector

We need parent support! Students in grades 9-11 under the guidance of the University and Careers Department are running a career day on May 30th for students in grades 8-11. We are looking for parents, family members and friends of Raha KCC to join us to share about their careers, lead workshops or offer internships for our students. If you are able to support us please fill out this form and share it with your community [here](#).

**\*Not limited to only MYP family and friends.** We encourage participation from the whole KCC community.



#### Seeking community volunteers for PYPX

Our Grade 5 students are preparing for the PYP Exhibition (PYPX) and would love to learn from you! If you have expertise or a passion to share, we welcome your support in guiding their inquiry and research. (These do not have to be professional interests). Please click the link to complete the Human Library survey [here](#).

## PYP

#### PYP Exhibition (PYPX) Parent Information Session

Grade 5 students will begin their PYPX journey after Spring Break on Monday, 7th April. G5 parents are invited to a PYP Exhibition (PYPX) information session on Wednesday, 9th April, from 8:15-9:00 AM in the Black Box. Gates 1 and 4 will remain open for convenience, so we recommend parking nearby. We look forward to seeing you there!

#### Some highlights from last year



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## What has Happened!



### AI Adaa System Training

Last week, our Operations team successfully completed training by GESC on how to use the AI Adaa system for reporting incidents. This system is linked to the ADPHC (Abu Dhabi Public Health Center) department and helps streamline incident reporting and follow-up.

### Emirates Transport Meeting

We held a productive meeting with Emirates Transport management last week to discuss preparations for next academic year. Key topics included optimizing bus routes and ensuring smooth transport services to avoid delays. We are working closely with Emirates Transport to ensure a seamless experience for all students from day one.

### Need to log a facilities request?

All staff should report their request to their Department Assistants, who will then log the request on the Service Desk portal for action:

- Early Years: [kceyassistant@ris.ae](mailto:kceyassistant@ris.ae) (Siham Alaoui)
- Primary: [kccprimaryassistant@ris.ae](mailto:kccprimaryassistant@ris.ae) (Carolina Rodriguez)
- Secondary: [kccmyassistant@ris.ae](mailto:kccmyassistant@ris.ae) (Karoline Dazinger)

### Introducing Yazan Hammouda – Our New Facilities Manager



We're excited to welcome Yazan Hammouda to the Operations Team as our new Facilities Manager! With six years of experience in Facilities Management and Occupational Health & Safety within the education sector, Yazan brings a strong background in risk management, compliance, audits and inspections.

Yazan holds a B.Sc. in Environmental Health & Safety from Abu Dhabi University and is certified in ISO 45001 Lead Auditor, NEBOSH, ISO 9001 Quality Management, and ISO 31000 Risk Management. His expertise includes school safety compliance, contractor oversight, preventive maintenance, and facilities optimization.

In his previous roles, Yazan played a key part in enhancing operational efficiency, ensuring compliance with ADEK, Civil Defense, and Municipality regulations, and fostering a proactive safety culture.

Outside of work, Yazan is passionate about fitness and enjoys going to the gym. He's also a dedicated football fan, following both the Premier League and the Italian Serie A. In his downtime, he enjoys watching Netflix series and movies.

We look forward to Yazan's contributions in strengthening our facilities management and operations. Please feel free to drop by to the Operations office and say hi!

### Health and Safety Reminders Safety First: Think Hazards, Think Control

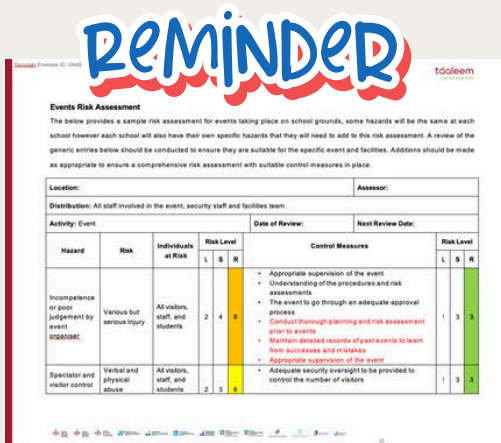
When planning any school event, trip, or activity, remember to:

- Identify potential hazards associated with the activity.
- Consult the hierarchy of control to mitigate risks effectively.
- Let's prioritize safety in every stage of planning to ensure a secure and successful event.



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## Event Risk Assessment

With April events approaching, we remind all event organizers and involved staff to begin working on the event Risk Assessment template and develop their event risk assessments. This is crucial to ensure the safety and preparedness of any events. Please find the link to the Event Risk Assessment template [here](#)

## What's Happening & Coming Soon

### Regular Alarm System Testing

To ensure the safety of all staff and students, our Facilities team and Security Guards will be conducting routine tests of the school's alarm systems, including lockdown and fire alarms. These tests will take place on random weekends or during holidays to ensure all systems are in working condition.

### Intrusion and Security Drills

We will soon be conducting intrusion drills and other security-related exercises. These drills will involve only the Security Guards, Facilities, and Operations teams. Please be aware that these are part of our regular safety procedures.

### Final HSE Bulletin for the Term

As we close out this term, we would like to express our sincere appreciation to all staff for their commitment to health and safety. A special thank you goes to those who have played an active role in strengthening the safety protocols across our school. Your efforts have significantly contributed to creating a secure environment for our students, ensuring their well-being at all times.

We look forward to the upcoming semester, where we will continue to build on our achievements, offering new drills, scenarios, and training opportunities. Stay tuned for what's ahead!



### Reminder: Nut-Free School Reminder

As part of our commitment to student safety, we remind all staff and parents that our school is a nut-free environment, a policy in place across all Taaleem schools. With a significant number of students having nut allergies, we kindly ask parents to ensure that no food containing nuts is included in their children's lunchboxes. This will help prevent any allergic reactions and ensure the safety of our students.



### Reminder: PEEP for Students or Staff with Mobility Issues

This is a reminder to all staff to remain vigilant and ensure that any students or colleagues with casts or broken limbs affecting their mobility are promptly directed to the clinic. Parents are also reminded to inform the clinic if their child sustains an injury resulting in a cast or limited mobility. This will enable our nursing team to assess the situation and create a Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP) to ensure the safety of affected individuals during emergency procedures.

### Reminder: Safety Induction for New Staff

To all newly joined staff members: please contact the Health and Safety Officer via email at [KCCsafety@ris.ae](mailto:KCCsafety@ris.ae) to schedule your safety induction training as soon as possible in case you haven't received one. This training is essential for familiarizing you with our health and safety protocols.

# [Lost & Found]

**Don't forget to claim your  
Lost & Found items before  
end of term!**

**Ground Floor Corridor**  
(near the canteen)

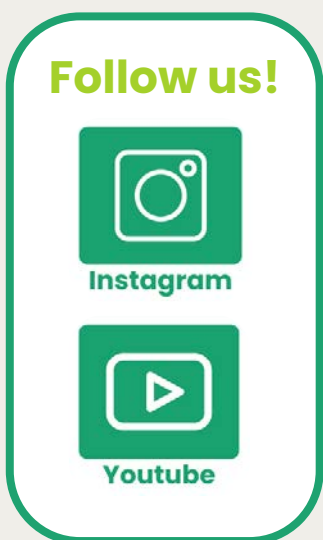
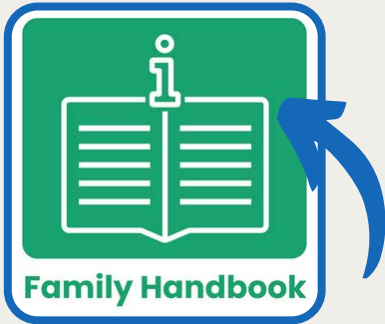
**Valuables located at main reception**  
(near Gate 1)

**All other items not collected will be put into  
storage at the end of the term.**

**Lunchboxes and dirty items will  
be disposed for health & safety reasons.**

# QUICK LINKS

Khalifa City Campus



**Contact us!**

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Admissions	<a href="mailto:kccadmissionsadmin@ris.ae">kccadmissionsadmin@ris.ae</a>
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Bus	<a href="mailto:kcctransportation@ris.ae">kcctransportation@ris.ae</a>
ECPs	<a href="mailto:kcccep@ris.ae">kcccep@ris.ae</a>
<b>General</b>	<a href="mailto:kccfrontdesk@ris.ae">kccfrontdesk@ris.ae</a>
Log in issues	<a href="mailto:kccdbadmin@ris.ae">kccdbadmin@ris.ae</a>
PA - Early Years	<a href="mailto:kcceyassistant@ris.ae">kcceyassistant@ris.ae</a>
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