

RAHA REMINDERS

Khalifa City Campus

Dear KCC Families,

Welcome back!

I hope you had a relaxing and refreshing Spring Break and managed to enjoy some lovely moments with your families. As we step confidently into Term 3, there's a sense of renewed energy in the air, and we're excited for the learning, celebrations, and milestones to come.

A quick but important reminder before we dive in, starting Monday, we are introducing a small but significant update to our morning attendance procedures:

- Children must be in school and in class by 7.45am when the official register is taken.
- If your child arrives between 7.45–7.55am, they must go straight to class but will be marked late to school, but they do not need to collect a yellow slip from Reception.
- If your child arrives after 7.55am, they will have missed registration and must collect a yellow slip from Reception before going to class.
- Please note: there are slightly different arrangements for Mini and EY1 students, and for those who arrive late via the school bus. You can find all the details in our updated guide here: [School Attendance and Punctuality Reminder](#).

As we move into the warmer months, it becomes increasingly important for us to report attendance accurately and punctually. We appreciate your continued support in making timely arrival part of your family routine, it really does set the tone for the day ahead!

Now, to something we hold dear at KCC: Culture.

At KCC, culture is more than a lesson—it's a way of life. It shapes our stories, our languages, and the way we come together to celebrate and connect, reflecting one of our most cherished values: connection. As we explore the first domain of the ADEK National Identity Mark—Culture—we're placing a strong focus on the Arabic language, UAE history, and heritage, weaving these elements into our inquiry units, enrichment programs, heritage experiences, and community events. This meaningful integration aligns closely with our IB philosophy, especially the IB learner profile, as we nurture students who are open-minded, reflective, knowledgeable, and caring—young people who see identity as rich, evolving, and deeply valued.



Ms. Abi
Principal



Knowledge



Courage



Connection

READ
MORE

[Culture: Celebrating Language, History & Heritage](#)

Here's to a brilliant start to Term 3—may it be full of curiosity, connection, and cultural joy!

Warm wishes,
Abi

Principal, Raha International School KCC

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Key Dates

April

- 14-18 DPI Mid-Course Exams
- 16 Parent Team Wellness Walk (G4 & 5)
- 21-25 Arabic Bookfair
- 22-24 G1 Community Carnival
- 23 World Book Day (**no dress up**)
- 25 Book Character Dress-up Day
- 29 PYP Learner-Led Conferences

28 - 2 May Glow Show (Art Show B1-01)

May

- 9 KCC Summer Bazaar
- 15 First Parent Book Club meeting
- 21 G5 PYPX Parent Evening

June

- 5-8 Eid Al Adha (To be confirmed)
- 20 Grade 5 Graduation
- 26 Islamic New Year
- 27 Last day of school



Term 3 Menu

Fixtures



Khalifa City Campus
RAHA PARENT TEAM
[Lost & Found]

April



Arabian Swim Academy
Developing Safe and Competent Swimmers

KCC
SUMMER
bazaar

FRIDAY 9TH MAY
1-4PM

Parents Table Sign-Up for the Summer Bazaar

If you want to showcase your business or have pre-loved items in great condition, book a table at the KCC Summer Bazaar.

Please reserve your table [here](#).

Food Nation: Nutritious Lunch Boxes Tutorial: 29 April at 8am

Food Nation (KCC Canteen provider) are organizing an informative and fun tutorial for nutritional lunch boxes for KCC parents. Kindly register your participation via the link [here](#).



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Whole School

Arabic Lessons for Parents: Starts 23 April

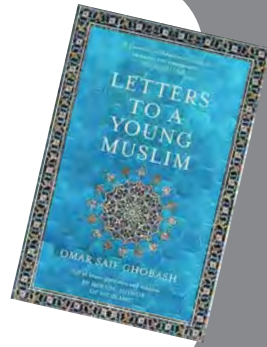
Marhaba! مرحبا! Are you Interested in learning Arabic with a focus on communication? Join our weekly Arabic class for parents with Ms Fatima, starting on Wednesday, April 23rd at 8:00 am. Spaces are limited to 15 participants, so make sure to fill out the form [here](#) to secure your spot!

KCC Parents Book Club: 15 May from 8-9:00am

We're excited to launch our KCC Parent Book Club in May. Each month we will choose a new book and topic to discuss over coffee in the Knowledge Hub.

To kick things off, as we are in the UAE, we appropriately chose a local author, Omar Saif Ghobash. Titled, *Letters to a Young Muslim*, it's a thought-provoking collection of letters written by an Emirati diplomat to his teenage son.

The book is available at Magrudy's and Amazon. See you on 15th May.



World Book Day at KCC

Wednesday 23rd April

To celebrate World Book Day, students at KCC will be immersed in books and stories through a range of exciting activities including read-alouds, games, extra reading time, and engaging literacy tasks.

Book Character Dress-up Day: Friday 25th April

To continue the celebration, we'll be holding a Dress-Up Day on Friday 25th April! Students are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. This is optional, but we encourage everyone to join in the fun and share their love of reading.

Look at some costumes from last year!



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PYP

PYP Learner-Led Conferences

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming PYP Learner-Led Conferences! This is a special opportunity for your child to take the lead in sharing their learning journey, reflect on their progress, and showcase the work they are proud of.

You'll receive an email next week with a sign-up sheet to book your conference time. We look forward to celebrating your child's growth together!

G1-G3 Wellness Walk



Grade 5 Parents: Transition into Grade 6 Journey

Ms. Eileen, the Learning and Teaching Lead for Grade 6, along with her team, will be working closely with your child and their current G5 teacher to support a smooth, confident transition into the MYP (Middle Years Programme).

Throughout this term, members of the secondary team will visit Grade 5 classrooms, attending assemblies, and get to know the students. In addition, Grade 6 students will support with PYPX and mentoring some G5 students as part of their Ethics classes.

In June, we will host a series of sessions focused on preparing your child for life in MYP—what to expect, how things work, and how to get ready for the exciting changes ahead.

And that's not all! At the end of June (date to be confirmed), Grade 5 students will be invited to a "Shadow Day"—a full day of MYP orientation. They'll meet some of their future teachers, take part in fun lessons, and get a real feel for what life in Grade 6 is like. There will also be a Parent Information Session during this time (date to be confirmed), giving you a chance to ask questions and learn more about the MYP program.

It's going to be a busy and exciting term—and we can't wait to welcome your child into the MYP family!

KCC COBRAS



Come show your support for our teams this weekend at the NYUAD main gyms. Let's show the strength of the KCC Community!

BRONZE MEDAL GAME

U12 Girls

Saturday, 12 April

10:00 am



FINALS GAME

U14 Boys

Sunday, 13 April

10:30 am



FINALS GAME

U14 Girls

Sunday, 13 April

2:00 pm





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DHS
ONLY!!!

KCC CHARITY

BAKE SALE

Proceeds will benefit Make A Wish
Foundation

Monday, April 21

12:15 - 1:00 pm

Outside the canteen

Come grab your favorite goodies – fresh-baked
cupcakes, cookies, brownies, and more! 😊

Don't miss out – treats sell FAST!

WEEKLY HSE BULLETIN

April 7th, 2025 | Raha International School, Khalifa City Campus, Abu Dhabi

What has Happened!



Eid Mugs – A Sustainable Gift for Staff

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability, Eid Mugs will soon be distributed to all school staff!

This green initiative was introduced by our Principal, who made the commitment during one of the HSE Committee meetings last term, with the goal of reducing single-use waste across the school.

Staff members are encouraged to use their mugs for their morning coffee instead of paper cups. Those who go a full month without using a paper cup will receive a reward – such as a cookie, a snack, or even a free coffee!

Tallying resets every month, so there are fresh chances to win and make a difference. Let's all support this meaningful step towards protecting our planet – one cup at a time!

Gate 1 Parking Arrangements and Timings – Effective Monday, 7th

Following staff feedback and a review of our traffic management processes, we are updating the access timings for Gate 1 (internal staff car park). These changes will take effect from Monday, 7th April.

Morning Access (06:00 – 07:20 AM)

- Gate 1 will be open for staff entry from 06:00 AM.
- As students are allowed into school from 07:00, there is overlap between staff vehicle movement and student arrivals.
- To mitigate this, Deepak (Head of Security) will manage pedestrian and vehicle movement inside Gate 1 between 07:00 – 07:20 AM to ensure safe entry.
- At 07:20, Gate 1 will close, and Deepak will move to Gate 4/5, where traffic management remains a key priority.
- Staff arriving after 07:20 will need to use alternative parking arrangements as Gate 1 access will not be permitted. Pedestrian access remains available.
- The other security personnel at Gate 1 will continue managing traffic outside the gate, including the Drop & Go area to assist parents.

Afternoon Access & Restrictions

- STRICTLY NO VEHICLE MOVEMENT between 14:40 – 15:30 inside the Gate 1 staff car park due to the high number of pedestrians at dismissal time.
- In the event of an emergency during this window, please contact our Facilities Manager Yazan Hammouda
- Gate 1 will open at 15:30 to allow staff vehicles to exit safely. Deepak and the security team will manage traffic in this area.
- On Fridays Gate 1 will open at 12:30 PM.

Key Considerations

These adjustments are aimed at improving both staff access and overall safety during busy times. While this change improves staff access, it also means that Deepak and our security team will be spending more time outdoors in the sun managing vehicle and pedestrian movement. We kindly ask for everyone's patience and cooperation in following security directions to help ensure the smooth operation of these changes.

As always, we will continue to regularly review our traffic management procedures.

Pest Control Treatment During Spring Break

Over the Spring Break, a comprehensive pest control treatment was carried out across the entire school building. This preventive measure is part of our regular maintenance program to ensure a healthy and hygienic environment for all staff and students.



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.

Risk Control Hierarchy



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EPDM Repair Completed Over Spring Break

During Spring Break, EPDM surface repair work at playground 2 was carried out and has been successfully completed. This maintenance was essential to ensure the safety and durability of our play and activity area, helping to prevent slips, trips, and falls.



First HSE Committee Meeting of the Term

Our first Health & Safety Committee Meeting for this term will take place on:

 Thursday, April 24th
 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

We look forward to seeing all members there as we discuss upcoming safety plans and initiatives.

Drills for this term

Please be advised that this term's emergency drills will be unannounced to students and staff in order to more accurately assess real-time preparedness amongst our school community.

There will be two different drills on two separate days, and we will introduce different emergency scenarios for each one to enhance awareness and readiness for a variety of situations.

We encourage everyone to stay alert and ready – because safety starts with being prepared!

Defensive Driving Training

In the last week of March, Mr. Santosh, our school driver and a valuable member of our Operations team, successfully completed a Defensive Driving Training course.

The training focused on safe driving practices and emphasized adherence to Abu Dhabi and UAE traffic regulations. This initiative supports our ongoing efforts to promote safety not just on campus, but beyond.

Reminder: Nut-Free School Reminder

During our routine review of the incident register over Spring Break, we noted a few occasions where students shared food items that contained nuts, which highlighted the importance of continued awareness around food allergies.

We would like to remind everyone that our school is a nut-free campus.

Students must not bring or share any food items containing nuts to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of our school community.

Please help us reinforce this message with students and parents. Safety is a shared responsibility – and food allergies are serious.



Reminder: PEEP for Students or Staff with Mobility Issues

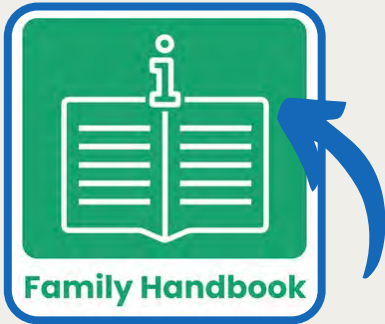
This is a reminder to all staff to remain vigilant and ensure that any students or colleagues with casts or broken limbs affecting their mobility are promptly directed to the clinic. Parents are also reminded to inform the clinic if their child sustains an injury resulting in a cast or limited mobility. 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 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.

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PA - MYP/DP	kccmypassistant@ris.ae

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KCC Term 3 Welcome Back

Dear KCC Families,

We hope you've had a wonderful Spring Break and managed to enjoy some special time together as a family. Whether you travelled, relaxed at home, or joined in the joyful Eid celebrations in the UAE or around the world, it's been lovely to see the season celebrated so beautifully. I've especially enjoyed watching the celebrations on television; such a powerful reminder of how shared traditions connect us globally.

Personally, I spent some time painting in Italy, and many of our staff also had the chance to unwind and recharge. While Term 3 is a long one, the entire team is returning energised, refreshed, and ready to embrace the learning and growth ahead.

We would like to again thank all parents who participated in the SAB Parent Survey. Your feedback is incredibly important to us. We truly appreciate the lovely positive responses and the thought and care you put into your comments. The SAB and I will be reviewing all of your feedback carefully, but I want to assure you that we have already begun work on the key development areas you identified.

We've also heard your concerns, and we are committed to addressing them over the coming weeks. It's through this ongoing dialogue that we continue to build a school community grounded in our shared values of:

Knowledge, Courage, and Connection.

These values are the foundation of everything we do, from supporting student learning, to how we partner with you, our families.

To start the term, we have two key parent events coming up:

1. An Introduction to the New Secondary Behaviour Policy – This policy, started in term 1, directly correlates to feedback in the SAB survey, and we are proud to be aligned with our community in recognising its importance.
2. A Follow-Up Session on the New Senior Pathways – Providing further insight into the four exciting academic routes available for our older students.

We are looking forward to a meaningful and rewarding Term 3, full of learning, collaboration, and opportunities to strengthen our community even further.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support and trust. We are proud to walk this journey with you.

Kind regards,

Abi
Principal

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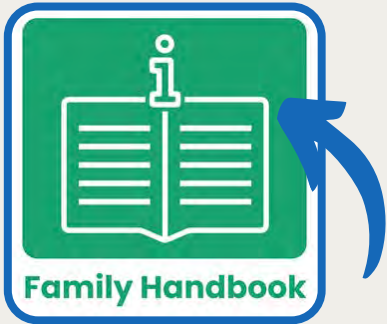
Click the cover for highlights from our busy Term 2.

We can't wait to see you in Term 3.



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