RAHA REMINDERS

Khalifa City Campus

Dear Parents,

We have had a lovely week at KCC. A huge well done to our Grade 5 students for their excellent PYPx Exhibition. Sadly, I was not able to walk through the exhibition while the students were there as I have been unwell, but I have really enjoyed looking at their work. The standard of presentation, the enthusiasm, and the breadth of learning on display is genuinely impressive. Each student clearly put so much thought into their project, and it's been a joy to see how their curiosity has driven their learning.



Ms. Abi Principal

On Wednesday, we welcomed guests into school as part of our Visible Learning work. Our visitors were struck by how well our students could talk about their learning. They were able to explain what they were working on, what success looked like, and what they would do if their learning wasn't going well. This is such an important part of our culture at KCC. When children understand their learning and take ownership of it, they grow in confidence and independence.

A big thank you as well to our Parent Team for organising the wonderful staff appreciation lunch. Teaching is more than a job, it's a vocation, and moments like this remind our team how valued their hard work is. It really does mean a great deal.

Last week also saw the launch of our international trips for the coming year. We're thrilled to see so many students already excited to sign up. A special thank you goes to Dana for setting all of this up just before starting her maternity leave. What a fantastic way to support learning outside the classroom. These experiences help students develop independence, curiosity, and a sense of the wider world, all of which connect beautifully to our curriculum.



Which brings us to this week's focus: Performance Standard 4 – Curriculum.

At KCC, our curriculum goes beyond subjects on a timetable—it supports academic, social, and personal growth through the IB's PYP, MYP, and DP, grounded in respected international frameworks like the English and Welsh National Curriculums. As an international school in Abu Dhabi, we connect global learning to local relevance, helping students explore big ideas like sustainability and identity through meaningful, real-world contexts. From hands-on play in Early Years to interdisciplinary projects in Middle Years and indepth research in the Diploma Programme, our students learn how to think critically and apply their knowledge. A Cultural Consideration Team ensures our curriculum respects UAE values and our diverse community. Parents are encouraged to engage, ask questions, and support learning at home through open conversations and access to curriculum resources.

A quick note on technology

Digital citizenship is an important part of our curriculum. We teach students how to use technology responsibly, safely, and legally. This includes understanding appropriate behaviour online, how to protect personal information, how to credit others' work properly, and how to spot misinformation. These lessons connect directly to academic integrity and also help prevent more serious issues like cyberbullying or cybercrime.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to remind parents about WhatsApp and social media. Please avoid sharing photos or videos of others without permission, spreading unverified or false information, or speaking negatively about other people, organisations or the school. These things can have real consequences under UAE law and can cause unnecessary harm.

If something is concerning you, we are here to listen and to act if needed. But we can only do that well if we are working in partnership. Please continue to communicate with us directly and respectfully, we always want to hear from you.

It is also a good time to have a chat with your child about their use of technology at home. Reinforce your own family's rules, and talk about the real-world impact of online behaviour.

Together, we are helping our children grow into thoughtful, kind, and responsible young people – both online and off.

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Key Dates

May

26 DP1 Parent Info Session

30 Careers Fair

June

3 KCC Cobras' Sports Awards (Secondary)

4 KCC Cobras' Sports Awards (Primary)

4 EY2 into G1 Transition Parents' Meeting

5-8 Eid Al Adha (To be confirmed)

10 DP Orientation Day for G10 Students

13-20 UK University Trip G9-11

15-21 CAS Mauritius Trip G11

20 Grade 5 Graduation

23 Grade 10 Graduation

26 Islamic New Year

27 Last day of school









Yearbook Pre-orders

A link will be sent soon to pay online to pre-order the yearbook. This year, NO cash payments will be collected.





EY2

EY2-Grade 1 Parent Transition Meeting: 4th June at 8am

EY2 parents are invited to join the Primary leadership team for an information session about the transition into the Primary. This will take place on Wednesday 4th June at 8.00am in the Blackbox.

Grade 5

Grade 5 to 6 Transition: Dates to remember

- Grade 5 transition lessons: Week beginning June 2nd & 9th: Grade 6 team to deliver sessions on MYP to Grade 5 classes.
- Coffee and Connect with KCC Parent team: 11th June Grade 5 parents invited to connect with Grade 6 parents on what it is like to be an MYP parent.
- **Grade 5 Team Building:** 12th June: Grade 5 students will participate in their first Osrah Competition with Mr. Miles.
- Grade 6 Shadow Day: 17th June: Grade 5 students will experience what it is like to be a Grade 6 student for day.
- G5 to 6 Parent Evening: 17th June 3.30-5pm in the Black Box

If you have any questions please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher or Ms. Eileen G6 LTL (emccrea@ris.ae)

DP

DP1 Parent Information Session: 26th May, 6pm-7:30pm

We invite all DP1 Parents to join our DP SLT in the Black Box on Monday for an informative session.

KCC Cobras' Sport Awards

Join us for our annual KCC Cobra's Sport awards. All students who represented KCC Cobra's, along with their parents, are invited to join. The ceremony will take place in the Black Box Theatre.

- Tuesday 3rd June at 6.00pm Secondary (U13, U15, U19).
- Wednesday 4th June at 6.00pm Primary (U9 and U11)







WEEKLY HSE BULLETIN

May 19th, 2025 | Raha International School, Khalifa City Campus, Abu Dhabi

The Importance of Active Supervision by All Staff

Ensuring the safety and well-being of students is a shared responsibility—and it starts with vigilant supervision.

All staff and teachers on duty are reminded of the critical role they play in maintaining a safe environment during the school day. Whether during class, break times, or arrival and dismissal periods, constant supervision and proactive engagement are essential to prevent accidents, injuries, and behavioral incidents.

Key Reminders:

- In the <u>Classroom</u>: Always keep an eye on your students, even during group work or individual tasks. Preventive supervision helps manage behavior and reduces the chance of accidents or conflicts.
- <u>Break and Playground Duties</u>: Actively monitor students to ensure they are:
 - Not engaging in rough play or physical conflicts.
 - · Using play equipment safely and as intended.
 - Respecting each other's space and boundaries.
- <u>Morning Arrival</u>: Ensure students are entering school calmly and walking safely to their designated areas.
- <u>Afternoon Dismissal</u>: Assist in maintaining order by ensuring students follow dismissal procedures, avoid running, and move carefully through the gates and traffic areas.

Your presence and attentiveness can make a significant difference in preventing injuries and promoting a culture of care and responsibility on campus.

Let's remain proactive, visible, and engaged at all times. Safety starts with us.





Keep Doors Closed – Maintain Indoor Safety and Comfort

As temperatures continue to rise and we prepare for the peak of summer, all staff are reminded of the importance of keeping all doors closed, especially those leading to outdoor areas and playgrounds.

Leaving doors open not only compromises indoor temperature control but also leads to:

- Increased strain on the air conditioning units, reducing their efficiency and potentially leading to malfunctions.
- Discomfort for students and staff due to rising indoor temperatures.
- Wasted energy, which goes against our sustainability and environmental goals.

Key Reminders:

- Always ensure doors to outdoor spaces, including playgrounds, sports pitch, and external corridors, are closed immediately after use.
- During transitions (breaks, PE sessions, etc.), encourage students to move quickly and avoid propping doors open.
- Report any door mechanisms that are not closing properly to the maintenance team for immediate repair.

By staying mindful and responsible, we help maintain a comfortable and safe indoor environment for everyone.







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Stay Hydrated and Protected in Hot Weather

It is essential for all staff to take proactive steps to stay hydrated and protected from heat-related risks throughout the day.

Hydration is a Must – Not an Option!

- Always carry a water bottle with you. Refill regularly throughout the day.
- The school provides free, clean drinking water through:
 - Water fountains and coolers near playgrounds and sports pitches.
 - Water dispensers located on every floor and in every block of the school.
 - The canteen also offers bottled water for purchase.

There is no excuse for dehydration. Please <u>remind</u> <u>students</u> regularly to drink water—especially before and after physical activity or outdoor play.

Staff on Duty or Outdoors – Take Extra Precautions

Even when outdoor activity is approved (for sports, break duties, or physical education), all staff are advised to:

- Use sunscreen with an SPF of 50 or higher to protect exposed skin.
- Stay in shaded areas as much as possible.
- Wear sun-protective accessories like:
 - Sunglasses
 - Hats or caps
 - Light-colored and breathable clothing
 - o Umbrellas for additional shade if needed
- Take cooling breaks if you're outside for extended periods.

Recognize Signs of Heat Stress

Keep an eye out for signs of dehydration or heat exhaustion, which may include:

- Dizziness or light-headedness
- Excessive sweating or no sweating at all
- · Dry mouth, fatigue, or headache
- Confusion or irritability

In case of any symptoms, seek immediate help from the school clinic.

Let's work together to maintain a safe and healthy environment



Routine Pest Control Update

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a safe, hygienic, and compliant working and learning environment, a full round of pest control was successfully carried out across the school campus over the last weekend.

This preventive measure was taken to:

- Ensure a clean and pest-free environment for all students, staff, and visitors.
- Comply with health and safety regulation and environmental health standards.
- Prevent any potential risks to health, hygiene, or food safety across classrooms, common areas, the canteen, and surrounding facilities.

Important Notes:

- All pest control procedures were carried out by certified professionals using approved, school-safe products.
- Areas treated were ventilated and cleaned before reopening to ensure full safety.

We appreciate everyone's cooperation in maintaining the cleanliness of our school.



Please continue to:

- Report any sightings of pests or unusual environmental issues immediately.
- Avoid eating in non-designated areas to discourage pest attraction.
- Dispose of waste properly and promptly, especially after snacks and breaks.

Together, we ensure a safe and healthy environment for all.

Ways on how to keep you and your students healthy

Practice Good Hand Hygiene.

- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after using the toilet, before eating, and after coughing or sneezing.
- Use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available

Cover Coughs and Sneezes Properly

 Teach students to cough or sneeze into their elbow or a tissue, then dispose of the tissue immediately and wash hands.

Maintain Personal Space

- Encourage students to respect personal space and avoid close contact when someone is sick Keep the Classroom Clean
- Encourage students to keep their personal items clean and separate from others.

Promote Healthy Eating

- Encourage balanced meals with fruits, vegetables, and plenty of water.
- Discourage excessive sugary snacks or junk food.

Get Plenty of Slee

 Remind students (and practice yourself!) to get enough rest each night to help the immune system stay strong.

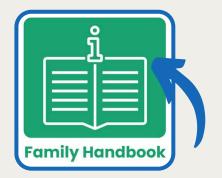
Encourage Physical Activity

 Support regular movement through PE, recess, or brain breaks to promote both physical and mental well-being.

Stay Home if Sick

Teach students the importance of staying home when they have a fever or symptoms of contagious illness to prevent spreading it to others.

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