

## MESSAGE fRown The Principal

#### Dear KCC Families,

Thank you for the warm welcome I have felt from so many families. Whether we have spoken during the orientation day, or the gate in the morning, I have personally felt that deep sense of KCC Community this past week and it's made me incredibly excited for the year ahead! This week we welcomed our amazing young people back to site after the summer break. Connection is one of our core values, and it's been wonderful to see everyone reconnect after the summer sharing memories and recapturing that sense of KCC belonging.



The upcoming year offers many more new and exciting opportunities for all. We maintain those high expectations for what we aim to achieve and provide as an educational experience for every single student, with a focus on fostering learning, and of course through our proud IB, promoting diversity, curiosity, and a lifelong passion for learning, exceeding academic goals.

Finally, thank you for the support with changes both with dismissal plans each day on site and then the new highly accredited bus provider as we move to STS, it is a significant operational transition and one we know will provide an even better experience for all families and students over time.

Wishing you and your families a healthy and fulfilling 2025-2026 at Raha KCC.

#### KEY Dates

#### September

2 PYP Back-to-School Information Evening

TBC Prophet Muhammad's Birthday

**5** ECP Sign-up opens at 6pm (email to be sent)

9 MYP Parent Experience

10 ECP Sign-up closes at 10am

15 Term 1 Teacher-Led and Sports Start

**16** DP Parent Experience

#### **October**

13-17 Mid-Term Break



















### Join the best team at KCC

If you want to be a part of a team that makes a difference, volunteer with the KCC Parent Team! They are the secret behind several events such as, International Day and our Staff Appreciation Day! Click <a href="here">here</a> for more info.





### WHOLE SCHOOL

## Safeguarding at KCC

At KCC, we are committed to ensuring the safety and protection of children and preventing harm. We have several Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSLs), responsible for overseeing all aspects of safeguarding and child protection across the school. They are available for students, parents, and staff who have any concerns or need guidance. You can find our safeguarding policies on the school's website. If you have any concerns about child protection or wish to arrange a meeting, please contact any of the DSL's. Your child's safety is our top priority, and we are here to offer our support. Meet our KCC Safeguarding team here.



#### **Meet the Counsellors**

Meet our school socio-emotional counsellors: Miss Charmaine, Mr. Matt, and Mrs. Khan. Find out more about the team at the link here.





Mrs. Khan

#### Teacher-led ECPs 🛂 🦚







The team are busy planning an action packed term for teacher-led ECPs as well as our sports teams to enter the ADISSA league. Our goal is to make sports at KCC competitive but also inclusive. We want the whole community to be part of the ECP journey. Our ECP calendar will be emailed next week. Sign-ups will open on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm.

Please note, there is **no bus service** available after ECPs.

Monday, 15th Sept to Friday, 21st Nov			
EYl	1pm to 1:45pm		
EY2	EY2 2pm to 2:45pm		
Gl to Gll	3pm to 4pm		
*Minis will begin in Term 2			



#### SchoolsBuddy

Schools Buddy is our system for signing up to ECPs, as well as giving permission for school trips. For families new to KCC log in details have been emailed out, along with information on setting up your account. If you are having trouble accessing your account, or have not yet received details please contact KCCdbadmin@ris.ae.

Whilst ECPs won't appear in your account now, it will be important to have your account active and ready for when ECP signs up go live, so that you are able to sign up your children.



#### EY & PRIMARY

#### **Back-to-School Parent Information Evening**

#### Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

On Tuesday 2nd September, we will be hosting our PYP Back-to-School parent information session. This is an opportunity for parents to meet the teachers and hear about grade specific information around timetables, home learning and grade level curriculum information. The sessions will run for 45 minutes and will be repeated so parents can attend sessions in different grade levels. Please see the table below for the locations.

Session 1: 5:30pm - 6:15pmSession 2: 6:15pm - 7pm

Minis	Homeroom Teachers	Homeroom Classes – A Block	
EY1	Homeroom Teachers	neroom Teachers Homeroom Classes – A Block	
EY2	Homeroom Teachers	Homeroom Classes – D Block	
Grade 1	Ms. Danel + G1 Team	GG-05	
Grade 2	Ms. Katie + G2 Team	GG-02	
Grade 3	Mr. Darren + G3 Team	FG-Hallway	
Grade 4	Ms. Teresa + G4 Team	E1-Hallway	
Grade 5	Ms. Emer + G5 Team	D1-Hallway	

#### SECONDARY

### How parents can support

We're excited to share that teaching and learning have kicked off in earnest this week as units begin across the MYP. Students are diving into big ideas and essential questions, building curiosity through provocations, and sharpening Approaches to Learning (ATL) skills such as research, collaboration, and reflection. Students can expect early formative check-ins as teachers get to know students' starting points and tailor learning accordingly.

How you can support at home:

- Ensure you have the parent account on Toddle where you can check class updates, unit outlines and upcoming deadlines
- Encourage a simple study routine when required (quiet space, regular reading, device charged).
- Celebrate effort! Small wins now build confidence for the term ahead.

Thank you for your partnership as we launch a year of meaningful inquiry and growth. For any MYP related questions, please reach out to the MYP Coordinator, Mr. Barry, at <a href="mailto:bsmyth@ris.ae.">bsmyth@ris.ae</a>.



## NoRVhAL 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 15th September the gates will close at 7.50am

	Gates Open	School Starts	School Ends	Gates Close
Minis and EY1	7.45am 7.45am 7.45am	7.45am	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		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		7.45am	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 - 12		7:45am	Monday to Thursday: 3.00 pm Friday: 12.00pm	3:15pm

### Student Leave Reminder

#### Students in Grade 9 - 12

If they have parental consent, may leave the campus unaccompanied. They will receive a student ID and grey lanyard. This ID and lanyard will allow staff and security to identify students able to leave the campus.

#### Students 15 and above

If they have parental consent, they are allowed to take home younger siblings. The younger sibling will also receive an ID badge. This will be attached to their school bag. Students must show their ID badges at the security gates to leave the school campus.

Please email, MYP PA, Ms. Karo with any questions: kccmypassistant@ris.ae



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Canteen Menu



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