# RAHA REMINDERS - Summer Issue



Welcome to our 2023/2024 academic year at the Gardens Campus!

We hope all our families have had a relaxing and rejuvenating break over the summer! The leadership team are busy this week welcoming the new staff. It is wonderful to have a team of teachers joining us from all areas of the globe bringing with them a wealth of experience and an international mindset to Raha. Next week, all our staff will be back on campus as we prepare to get ready to start the school year.

### Leadership Team at Gardens Campus

#### Welcome!

We would like to welcome Ms Tara Manson, as Head of Secondary and Ms Emily Merton as Head of Early Years. Ms Ruba who has been leading Arabic in PYP will also be joining the senior leadership team as Head of Arabic. Please also see our new leadership structure for this academic year here.

# **Important Dates**

#### **Monday 28 August**

This is Student Orientation Day is for new students only. Please see the details below:

#### EY1

9:00am: Parents are invited to attend the presentation in the Auditorium by the Principal, Heads of Early Years, Primary and Secondary, Administration and Parent Team. All EYI students will begin their staggered start on Tuesday 29th August.

#### EY2 (new students only):

9:00-10:00am: Students spend an hour with their new teacher in their classroom. Drop and collect your child at their EY2 Classroom located in Building-E.

#### Grade 1 - Grade 5

9:00-10:00: New Grade 1-5 students are invited to join a new student orientation. In this time, they will have the opportunity to meet their new grade level teachers, see their new classrooms, and take a tour of the school. Students can be dropped off and picked up from the following locations:

#### Grade 6 - 12

9:00-10:00: New Grade 7-12 students and ALL Grade 6 students are invited to join a student orientation to familiarize themselves with the school and meet their teachers.

Grade 1– L16 Grade 2– L03 Grade 3– L25 Grade 4– L33 <u>Grade 5</u>– D block hub

9:00am: All new parents are invited to attend the presentation in the Auditorium by the Principal, Heads of Early Years, Primary and Secondary, Administration and Parent Team.

#### **Tuesday 29 August**

All students return to school. Please note there will be a staggered start to for EYI students. Ms Emily Merton will write to parents with further details.

1 Key Dates
29 September 2023
16-20 October 2023
8 December 2023
11-29 December 2023



#### 2023-2024 Academic Calendar

Please view the calendar here.

# General Info

#### **Class Placements**

Heads of School will be writing to you next week with class placements for those students whose fees have been paid. If you have not yet paid fees, please contact accounts@ris.ae.

# **School Timings**

#### Monday - Thursday

EY1: 7:45am - 1:00pm EY2: 7:45am - 2:00pm G1 to G12: 7:45am - 3:00pm

#### Friday

EYI to G12: 7:45am - 12:00pm

#### **Family Handbook**

Please see our Family Handbook <u>here</u> for more information about Raha!









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#### **ECPs**

Details about Term 1 ECPs will be sent out when students return to school.

#### Uniform & Sports Kit

Please see more about our uniform and where to purchase it here. The full uniform guide can be found here.

Welcome from the **Parent Team** 

#### Raha Clinic

We have changed our contract for the provisions of nurses, our clinic will be staffed and managed by Alleanza Healthcare in the coming academic year. Alleanza provide a range of medical services throughout the UAE and have a strong background in supporting schools with over 100 nurses working at 35 schools in the region. Our new nurses are familiarising themselves with our database and will reach out to parents of students with specific medical needs to ensure a smooth transition in their care.