

# RAHA REMINDERS

## Gardens Campus

### Whole School

#### Key Dates

- 16 Mar –8 Jun:** La Alhambra Children's Play Prep (every Sat)  
**18 Mar– 22 Mar:** STEAM Week (details on Toddle)  
**20 Mar:** Raha Iftar and Souq  
Raha Review 9:00am
- 21 Mar:** Grade 1-5 Stay and Share 9:15-9:35am  
**22 Mar:** Last day of External Paid ECPs  
End of Term 2  
EY an PY STEAM dress up day (details on Toddle)
- 23 Mar:** EY read-a-thon begins  
**25 Mar-1 April:** Grade 7 &10 Tanzania Expedition  
**18 April:** EY2 Emirates Park Zoo Trip (ADEK approval)  
PYPX Info Session G5
- 19- 20 April:** Bronze Duke of Edinburgh (qualifying journey)  
**22-26 April:** Raha Music Festival 2024  
**23 April:** Raha's book character dress up day  
**24-25 April:** Raha Raptor Team Photos (more info to come)  
**22-23 May:** The Gruffalo Play

#### Raha Music Festival 2024

It's not too late to enter the second 'Raha Music Festival' which will be held at KCC from 22nd-26th April. Broken into different categories for students of different ages and different instruments. The winner of each class will compete in the Grand Final to be crowned "Raha Young Musician 2024". All details and how to enter can be found on the [website](#).

#### Ken Ken Championship free registration

Raha has a long association with the Ken Ken Championship and registrations are now open for 2024. KenKen is the world's fastest-growing, most-played mathematics and logic puzzle and benefits include improved critical thinking skills, better problem-solving abilities, enhanced cognitive abilities, increased stamina, higher self-confidence and perseverance. This year, round one registrations are free of charge until 23rd March. Students (6+) and adults in our community are invited to participate and more information can be found [HERE](#).

#### Emirati National Attire

Kindly note that Emirati students may wear their Emirati National Dress attire on Friday as part of the endeavour to foster the National Identity and the local culture. [FLYER](#)

#### Ramadan Iftar and Souq

We invite all Gardens Campus families to join us for the 3rd annual [Ramadan Iftar](#) on 20th March from 5pm to 9pm.

Thank you for bringing a dish to share, fostering the values of generosity, giving and kindness. The buffet opens with sunset, serving water, dates, and Ramadan beverages.

Don't miss out on the fun activities!

- Quran recitations
- Football game (students and family members are welcome to join in) Kindly register using this [LINK](#).
- Henna
- Bazar (please bring some cash to enjoy the amazing products)
- Fun competitions and prizes
- We would appreciate labelling the food you are bringing. Please remember our NO NUTS policy.

Maghrib, Isha and Tarawih prayers will be held, so we encourage you to bring your prayer clothes and mats should you wish to participate. Please adhere to Islamic and cultural norms regarding attire.

#### Raha Review

Ms Carol is hosting the next Raha Review at 9am in the auditorium on 20th March. She would like to include those topics of interest to the parents, and is asking for specific requests for topics to cover to be emailed to [gcVPAssist@ris.ae](mailto:gcVPAssist@ris.ae) before 18th March. All parents are welcome to attend!



#### Parent Team Newsletter

#### [Food Nation T2 Menu](#)

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### Events of the Week

#### G6 Science Fair



#### Abu Dhabi Young Musician



Lots of Raha students competed and performed brilliantly in the Abu Dhabi Young Musician competition held at Cranleigh last week.

However, one of our amazing students was not only the winner of the Intermediate Strings category, but also overall runner-up of the whole Intermediate category! Well done Geoffrey!

### Ramadan Wishes and Timings

As we approach Ramadan, we would like to extend warm wishes to our Muslim families for a blessed month ahead. Ramadan is a time of fasting, prayer, reflection and increased generosity. Ramadan timings will be as follows:

Monday - Thursday	
8.45am	Gates open
8.58am	National Anthem
9.00am	Class starts, gates close
1.45pm	Gates open (EY & PYP to be collected)
2.00pm	School finishes
2.15pm	Late students to reception
2.15pm	Buses depart

Friday	
8.45am	Gates open
8.58 am	National Anthem
9.00am	Class starts, gates close
11.45am	Gates open (EY & PYP to be collected)
12.00pm	School finishes
12.15pm	Late students to reception
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Kindly note there will be no early pick up during the last hour of school.

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Unsure what to do during Spring Break? Why not sign up for camp!

#### Spring-Term Camp

Sign-up is live! Register today, more options available for different camps.

[Infinite Sports Camp](#)

[IJF Football Academy](#)

#### Term 3 Raha Raptor sign-ups

#### F1 in Schools Spring Camp

Do you like to feel the adrenaline of racing and designing your own racing car? Looking for a different and original spring camp?

2 weeks of designing, building and racing a car in Yas Marina.

More info click [HERE](#).  
Ages: 9-13

Just like Hermes, our Raha Team in the F1 for school finals.



#### Spanish Children's Play

Do you like to act on stage? Want to learn more about Spanish and Arab culture? Want to better your Spanish?

Join the Spanish Children's Play:  
La Alhambra un Puente Entre Culturas.

This will run from 16th March through 8th June. Check out the [FLYER](#) for more information.



#### Raha Riddles

Where does today come before yesterday?

#### Last Week's Answer

I am a window, I am a lamp, I am clouded, I am shining, and I am coloured; set in white, I fill with water and overflow. I say much, but I have no words. What am I?

**An Eye**



Follow our social media accounts for Gardens updates and campus life!

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### Early Years

#### STEAM Week

21st March – EY1 & EY2 Mad Scientist Show at 9:10am

22nd March – STEAM dress up day (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics)



#### The Gruffalo Play

On 22nd & 23rd May  
EY1 & EY2 will have the chance to watch the theatre adaptation of the book, The Gruffalo.

More info coming soon!



#### Read-a-thon challenge

From 23rd March to 25th April, 2024 we will kick off our month of literacy in Early Years. To celebrate our love of reading, Early Years students will have a read-a-thon challenge, starting on Friday, March 22, 2024.



This will be a great time to challenge our early readers over the spring break. Details for the Early Years read-a-thon will be shared next week.

**APR**  
**23**

**Save the Date!**

Raha's book character dress up day will be 23rd April.

### Primary

#### STEAM Week

Monday 18th March to Friday 22nd March

Students are in for a fun-filled week full of exploration and inquiry!

Some activities that they will participate in include:

- o Lunch time STEAM Buskers in the Piazza
- o Science Buddies with EY, G1-2 and G4-5
- o MYP Lab visits for G3-5
- o Mad Scientist Show- Please submit permission on SchoolsBuddy and return the money in a sealed and labelled envelope by Wednesday.
- o Sustainable Door Decorating
- o Dress like your favourite STEAM profession on Friday
- o Guest speakers in STEAM professions

Please see Toddle for a detailed breakdown of the activities your child can participate in.

A big thank you to all the staff and MYP volunteers who are making this event possible! Thank you to the Parent Team for supporting this event!

**22nd March**  
STEAM dress up day  
(Science,  
Technology,  
Engineering, Arts  
and Mathematics)



#### Stay and Share

Grade 1-5 parents are invited to our fourth Stay and Share morning on Thursday 21st March from 9:15-9:35am.

Further details on Toddle.

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### Secondary

#### Hermes in the Finals

Six Design Students will be representing the UAE and Raha International School at the largest STEAM competition in the world, "The FI in Schools 2024 World Finals". These students qualified for this prestigious event after coming 2nd overall in the National Finals with Mr. Peter and Mr. Conor in their "FI in School's ECP". We need the Raha Community to help support them and track their progress in this major competition by following their social media platforms. Click [HERE](#) for all the details!

Students are required to raise sponsorship for their team and to collaborate with industry partners with multiple areas of their portfolios to include Marketing, Project Management, Social Media, Graphic Design, Sustainability and their Model Car Manufacture. We invite any parent who may have any contacts in these areas and wants to support our team to please get in touch.



#### Raha Reads

We are combining the month of reading with the spirit of giving as we enter the holy month of Ramadan. Set yourself a challenge to read a set number of books (or pages from the Quran), ask family and friends to 'sponsor' you (pay money if you complete the challenge) - all monies go to the Red Crescent for the purpose of aid work. Help the success of this initiative by taking part in the sponsored read yourself!

**Raha Reads 2024**

If every student was sponsored a little bit (20dhs) - often less than the price of a coffee, to read a bit extra this month Raha would raise 30,000dhs for the Red Crescent.

Click the [LINK](#) to sponsor

#### Conscious Counselling Tips (CCTs): Support for Parents

How can we understand and better look after our child(rens) emotional wellbeing?

Things that **empty** a child's 'emotional cup':

- Being left out
- Having long days without their parent
- Conflict at home
- Getting yelled at
- Being rejected by their friends (or family)



Ways to **fill up** your child's 'emotional cup':

- Spend one on one time together
- Spend time doing what they love to do
- Show affection
- Give praise
- Listen intently

A child with an **empty** emotional cup' may:

- Misbehave to get attention
- Become more argumentative
- Show more aggression
- Try to take people's happiness
- Find small tasks overwhelming

Six things every child deserves to hear:

- “I believe in you”
- “You are never alone”
- “I will always love and protect you”
- “It's okay to make mistakes”
- “I will always be there for you”
- “Your best is always good enough”

#### Osrah FIFA Competition

A FIFA Football competition is currently running. If you missed out on sign ups this time around, look out for future rounds after Spring Break. There will be more events such as a flash mob competition, video game competitions, and Basketball Inter murals. Keep an eye on student announcements for more details.