



Raha Reminders

Issue 30

Key Dates

- **20-24 May:** ABT Assessment G2-G5 in MoE subject
- **21 May:** Secondary Sports Award Evening
- **22-23 May:** SpongeBob the Musical - Ticket sale at block A Parent Team table
- **23 May:** G5 PYP Exhibition (5:00pm)
- **28 May:** Primary Sports Awards Evening
- **29 May:** Primary Music Recital (5:00pm @ KCC)
- **30 May:** G1-5 Student-Led Conferences

Principal's Message





1 - Parent Manifesto



2 - Parent Survey

Dear Parents (full video message [HERE](#))

I am enjoying getting to know the school, the children, and you as parents.

I want to talk to you about developing our **Manifesto**. **It is a document that will evolve with your input. I want to hear your point of view as a Parent** on what matters at school. Academics is the base, but we want to go further.

I want to start measuring relationships, looking at our environment, the interactions, and the routines. It is designed to open some communication. I will be doing this exercise with the senior leaders, with the teachers, and also with the students.

Having this document will hold me accountable as a leader. So have a read, and please fill out your answers, I'm sending out the materials:

- [Manifesto Presentation](#)
- [Parent survey](#)
- Manifesto [Padlet](#)

After this first step, we will form working groups. Hopefully, after a few drafts, we will have something that we can all agree on and use to drive us forward. Let's refresh our idea of what makes Raha a special place.

If you want to watch the first meeting with parents explaining the manifesto, [click HERE](#).

[Parent Team Newsletter](#)



General

Car Park

As we juggle the chaos of drop-offs and pick-ups, let's sprinkle some consideration and kindness into our car park. Think of it as parallel parking with a dash of empathy. Please refrain from blocking roads or fellow vehicles. Let's keep the traffic flow as smooth as a well-oiled machine!

And hey, while we're at it, let's sprinkle some verbal confetti around campus. Kind words and friendly nods make for a delightful atmosphere. After all, a little politeness goes a long way in making our school feel like home.

Red Breaks

We are gearing up for the warmer months ahead, and we want to ensure the safety and well-being of our students. As part of our commitment to their health, we follow our Hot Weather and Red Breaks policy. This means that we closely monitor weather conditions, including temperature and humidity, to assess the risk level for outdoor activities.

Healthy Snacks

This is a friendly reminder to prioritize healthy snacks for your child's school day. While junk food, doughnuts or similar treats may be tempting, nutritious options like fruits, vegetables, and whole grains provide essential fuel for learning and support overall well-being. By choosing healthy snacks, you're helping your child stay energized, focused, and healthy. Thank you for partnering with us to promote wellness at school.

Early Years



- **20 May:** EY1 & EY2 Swimming PE lessons begin
- **22 May:** EY1 Gruffalo's child theatre trip 8:00 – 11:00 am
- **23 May:** EY2 Gruffalo's child theatre trip 10:00 – 13:00
- **30 May:** Student-led conferences 10:00 – 18:00
- **3 June, 10 June, 24 June, 1 July:** Monday Madness Days!
- **27 June:** EY2 Graduation Ceremony 8:10 am -More information to follow soon!

Student-led conference bookings are open

Please sign up via SchoolsBuddy for Homeroom teacher bookings. Specialists will be available on a walk-in basis.

EY & Primary Upcoming Monday Madness Days!

This is a heads-up to our parents: throughout June and July, we will be inviting students across EY and Primary to dress up for Monday Madness.

- **3 June:** Favorite Colour Day
- **10 June:** Pajama Day
- **24 June:** Crazy Hair Day
- **1 July:** Dress Like A Teacher

Primary



- **20-24 May:** ABT Assessment G2-G5 in MoE subjects
- **23 May:** G5 PYP exhibition
- **28 May:** Primary Sports Awards Evening
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PT Testing in the Primary

ADEK requires all schools to administer an annual Mathematics, English, and Science attainment test for Grades 3-9. As such, we will be running PT assessments over the next several weeks.

- **13-21 May:** G4
- **22 May-3 June:** G3
- **4-12 June:** G5

Progress Tests

Tests will continue this week for G3 and G4. ADEK requires all schools to administer an annual attainment test in Mathematics, English, and Science and the *GL Education Primary Progress Tests* are the ones Raha uses. The information gathered from these assessments helps the school identify trends in achievement across grade levels and subject areas. While individual results are also examined, they form only part of our full and holistic understanding of students' learning.

EY1-G5 Student-Led Conference Day

This is a reminder that EY1-G5 Student-Led Conferences will be held on Thursday, 30 May. Lessons will not take place, and students will only attend school with their parents at their booked time. Bookings are on Schools Buddy.

Arabic and Islamic teachers are available for booked times, and parents of G3-5 students who take UAE Social Studies A are also invited to book a student-led conference with Ms Wafaa using Schools Buddy.

Please note that PE, Music, Art, and STEAM will not have booked times for Student-Led Conferences, but families are strongly encouraged to visit these teachers on the day for students to share their recent learning.

Secondary



- **22-23 May:** SpongeBob the Musical
- **24 May:** Urban Farming Trip
- **3 June:** G6 Cosmic Dome Experience
- **5 June:** G7 SeaWorld Excursion
- **7 June:** G9 Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque
- **10 June:** G11 Collaborative Sciences Project Excursion to Yas WaterWorld

SRC Member Spotlight- *Adrian Dos Ramos*

This week, the SRC member spotlight is on our esteemed President, Adrian Dos Ramos. Adrian, a grade 12 student, is the heart of the SRC and is responsible for directing the entire council and its day-to-day responsibilities. His leadership has played an integral role in shaping the SRC in its founding year, as he is the link to the senior leadership team. He has created and planned initiatives such as the incredibly popular Ice Cream fundraisers and helped to develop the new girl's rugby team.

His problem-solving abilities have helped tackle numerous issues that the SRC and the school have faced to ensure it runs smoothly. He is determined to improve the Raha community in every way possible in his final days as a senior as he is responsible for planning several exciting, upcoming projects, possibly including lockers for the changing rooms.

If you have any suggestions or feedback to improve the school, please direct them to your grade-level representative or send them to the SRC through one of our suggestion boxes. The council, under Adrian's leadership, will do what it can to improve our learning environment. Keep an eye on this space for next week's spotlight.

G6 Cosmic Dome (3 June)

G6 students will be transported on a journey into our solar system, learning about the planets, moons and other objects orbiting the sun in this planetarium experience. Please complete [this form](#) if you haven't already registered your child's interest.

MYP ABT Assessment in MoE subjects

These assessments is an external measure of students' progress from September/October to May, and the results will help us evaluate our students' academic progress. We greatly appreciate the participation of our students in these assessments and your efforts throughout the academic year.

Teachers will prepare students for these assessments, and we encourage students to practice at home using the following link: <https://abt-assessments.Com/> (Demo). We sincerely wish them success and fulfilment.

Arabic department – Ruba Abu Hejab

تعتبر هذه التقييمات مقياسًا خارجيًا لمستوى تقدم الطلاب من شهر سبتمبر/أكتوبر إلى شهر مايو والتي ستساعدنا نتائجها على تقييم تقدم طلابنا الأكاديمي. تقديرونا الكبير لمشاركة أبنائنا الطلاب في هذه التقييمات ولجهودكم المبذولة معنا خلال العام الدراسي.

سيقوم المعلمون بتدريب الطلاب استعدادا لهذه التقييمات ونشجع الطلاب الأعزاء على التدرب في المنزل أيضًا باستخدام الرابط التالي [اختبارات الإي بي تي التجريبية](#) مع خالص الدعوات لهم بالتوفيق والسداد

قسم اللُّغة العربية- ربى أبوحجاب

Events This Week



3 - Secondary Parent meeting



4 - We hosted Alan Williamson, Taaleem CEO



5 - Dr. Rami spoke to MYP about mental health

Sports





6 - Congratulations to ADISSA champions 2024!



7 - Another win for our U15 girls basketball team

Secondary Sports Awards Evenings: 21 May (Secondary) and 28 May (Primary)

All students that played on a Raha Raptors team this year are invited, along with their parents, to the Sports Awards Presentation. All the teams will be recognized in the the Auditorium then you are welcome to join the coaches in the canteen for a treat and refreshments with your fellow Raha Raptors athletes!

[Invitation and Program](#)

- **20 May:** U15 Boys Basketball - KCC
- **20 May:** U15 Girls Basketball - Raha 4:00pm
- **22 May:** U13 Girls Basketball - Raha 4:00pm

ECPs

[Children's Play: The Alhambra: A Bridge Between Cultures](#)

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Date: 11 June 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Auditorium, Raha International School, Gardens Campus!

Hurry and book your tickets today! Don't miss this beautiful adventure, full of history, culture, and dance! contact us at hola@hispaniaacademy.com or by phone to 0585194974

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