



Raha Reminders

Issue 33

Key Dates

- **10 June:** EY and Primary Pyjama Day
- **13 June:** Meet the Team – Canteen, 7.45-8.15am
- **24 June:** Summer Concert - Auditorium 6.00pm

Principal's Message



I wrote a postcard to my mum this week.

WhatsApp and Facetime have meant that I do not do this much anymore. Every time I traveled somewhere new, it used to be a ritual between us, describing the excitement of being in a new culture or city, the buildings, the people, how they spoke, and, always, what the food was like. My mum always talked about receiving the postcard and was able to share the excitement of the journey.

My postcard was about Raha (I only know my apartment and work currently). I told my Mum about our wonderful children and the questions they asked, and just how confident as learners they are (She was Primary Head, so she loves this, and a "Wish you were here" moment).

I think this is a habit, if you are old enough to have ever done this, we have started to forget but we have started to forget. The pleasure of sharing our journey, our new learnings, and celebrating what we love about our travels is important as it gives us commonality, stories to share, and a language of curiosity.

This made me think about what our "Wish You Were Here" tales from Raha would be. It has led to me asking the Senior Team to write a Raha postcard. To share the story of what they enjoy here, what makes it different, and what should be celebrated. I have done this because these are the stories we need to tell more. The ones where the care and challenge we provide grow relationships, grow people, encourage excellence in all areas, and aspiration to be more.



I'd like to know what your "Wish You Were Here" postcard about Raha would say. Feel free to tell me here because these are the stories we need to be better at telling. These stories tell us who we are, what excites us and what we want to celebrate. They connect us.

[Parent Team Newsletter](#)



General

Summer Concert – call for soloists

Join us for our Summer Concert on 24 June at 6.00pm in the auditorium!

Enjoy beautiful performances by our Primary and Secondary Choirs, along with our talented Orchestra. We're also excited to invite accomplished soloists to apply for a chance to shine on stage. If you're a confident and skilled musician, we'd love to feature your talent! These students should be confident and

competent performers on their chosen instrument as we want to feature the most proficient musicians for their age.

Come be part of a magical evening filled with music and community spirit.

To apply, please complete the form on [THIS LINK](#) by 14 June at 12.00pm.

Annual Arabic Assembly for Primary and MYP

The Arabic Department at Raha GC is excited to invite you to our Annual Arabic Assembly!

Join us in the auditorium for an enchanting evening filled with songs, plays, poetry, and other fun activities performed by our talented students. Let's celebrate their hard work and dedication to mastering Arabic over the past few weeks.

Your presence means the world to us, so don't miss out on the fun! See you there!

Click for the Invitation in [English](#) and [Arabic](#) and take notes of the dates & times below.

- **10 June:** Primary Arabic Assembly - Grades 1-2 @ 8.00-8.40am
- **12 June:** MYP Arabic Assembly - Grades 6-8 @ 2.00-3.00pm
- **13 June:** MYP Arabic Assembly - Grades 9-10 @ 2.00-3.00pm
- **14 June:** Primary Arabic Assembly - Grades 3-5 @ 10.00-10.40am

Early Years



- **10 June:** EY Pyjama Day
- **13 June:** Transition Parent Presentation - Innovation Hub 8.00am
- **27 June:** EY2 Graduation Ceremony 8.00am

EY2 Graduation

Families are invited to join us in celebrating our EY2 Graduates on Thursday, 27 June, at 8.00am!

The ceremony will start promptly at 8.00am. When the ceremony has finished, students and families are welcome to take photos in the foyer and hub areas. From 9.30am class parties will begin.

Class parents are in touch with homeroom teachers, so please liaise with your class group about what to bring to the party. We look forward to celebrating with you.

EY2 to Grade 1 Transition Parent presentation

Join us on Thursday, 13 June, from 8.00-9.00 am in the Innovation Hub, L block, first floor, to talk about EY2 students transitioning to Grade 1. Please register your questions in advance:

<https://forms.office.com/r/nXZkix3XDS>.

EY & Primary Upcoming Monday Madness Days!

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

EY Library Summer Closure

We ask that all families please return all library books next week as our EY library will be closed for inventory before the summer break. There will be *no new books issued* from the library after the Eid break. You can still access lots of amazing books on Reading Eggs!

Primary



- **10 June:** Primary Arabic Assembly - Grades 1-2 @ 8.00-8.40am
- **14 June:** Primary Arabic Assembly - Grades 3-5 @ 10.00-10.40am

Trips

- **24 June:** G3 trip to Bounce, Al Forsan
- **25 June:** G2 trip to Adrenark

- **27 June:** G4 trip to Bounce, Al Forsan

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PT Testing in Primary

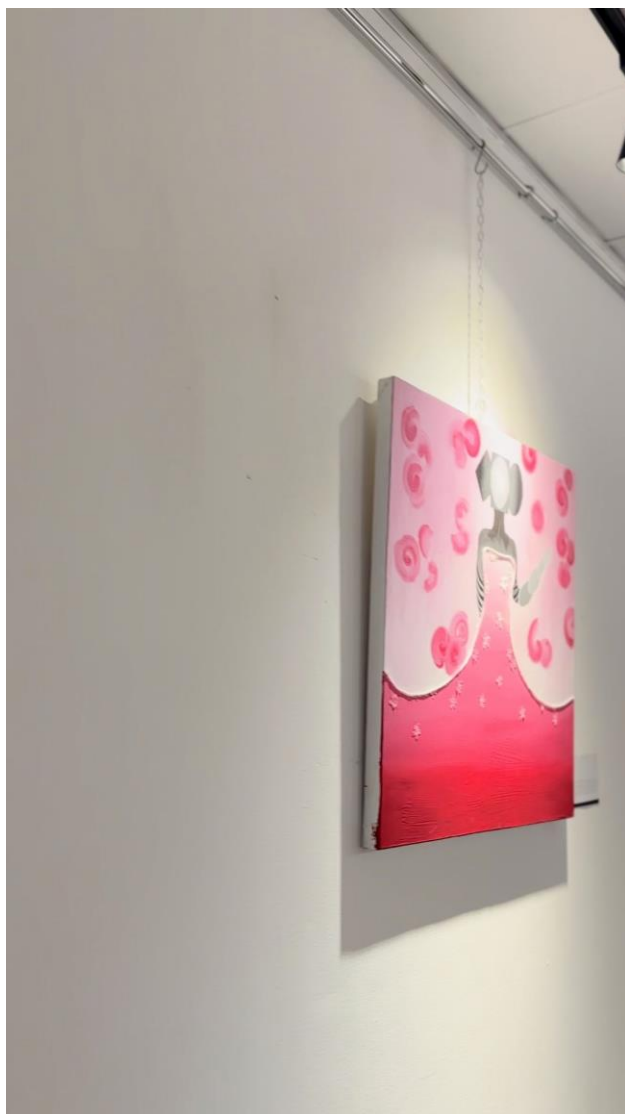
- **4-12 June:** G5

Secondary



- **1-14 June:** MYP Visual Arts End of Year Exhibition
- **10 June:** G11 Collaborative Sciences Project Excursion to Yas WaterWorld
- **11-17 June:** World Scholar's Cup – Baku, Azerbaijan
- **12 June:** MYP Arabic Assembly - Grades 6-8 @ 2.00-3.00pm
- **13 June:** MYP Arabic Assembly - Grades 9-10 @ 2.00-3.00pm
- **13 June:** Trip to Louvre G9-10
- **20 June:** F1 in Schools National Finals at Yas Marina Circuit G8-11
- **28 June:** Trip to Bounce G6-10

End of Year MYP Visual Arts Exhibition



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1 - A glance of the end-of-year MYP Visual Arts Exhibition.

Come check out the amazing work students have been doing all year, including Mandalas/Zentangles, Abstract Acrylic painting, Ceramics, Gouache Landscape painting, and more! The End of Year MYP Visual Arts Exhibition for Grades 7-10 is being showcased on the 1st floor of G block.

Safe Social Media Use

This week, we invite parents to have open and honest discussions with their children regarding safe social media use. We encourage you to have proactive discussions with your children about social media safety and the serious nature of cyberbullying. Here are some strategies to guide these conversations:

1. *Discuss the Impact of Online Behavior:* Explain the consequences of slander and defamation, emphasizing how false statements can harm someone's character and reputation.

2. *Review UAE Social Media Laws:* Educate your children about the UAE's stringent laws on cybercrime, slander, and defamation to help them understand the seriousness of these actions.
3. *Promote Positive Conversations:* Foster an open and supportive environment where your children feel comfortable discussing their online experiences and any concerns they may have.
4. *Monitor Social Media Use:* Regularly check your children's social media accounts to ensure they are engaging in positive interactions and not exposed to harmful content. Be open and transparent with your child about monitoring their use and that this is to ensure their own safety.
5. *Encourage Reporting:* Inform your children about the resources available to report cybercrimes, such as the Aman Service, and encourage them to speak up if they or their peers are victims of cyberbullying or slander.

At Raha, we remain committed to promoting Positive Education (POSeD) through our tutorial program, which includes lessons on digital media safety tailored to the needs of our students. Your continued support and active involvement are vital in guiding our children to make responsible choices online and offline.

Events This Week



The AZZAM Price is granted to a few students across Taaleem schools at the end of Grade 12 for outstanding academic and personal achievement and for demonstrating excellence to the community. Congratulations, Taehyeok Chon, on receiving the award this year at Gardens Campus!



2 - Congrats to our amazing students that swept many medals in the 2024 European Championship of International Academic Competitions in London.



3 - "Monday Meet U" session for new EY1 Families.



4 - Raha Esports captures its second victory against Amity at the Abu Dhabi International Schools Mario Kart League.

Sports



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Register Interest

Do a little or a lot but
get involved!



RAHA RAPTORS PARENT SUPPORT

Enhancing Our Sports Community



5 - Impressive undefeated run in ADISSA tournament, U9 boys basketball team winners.



6 - First U9 Girls Basketball Tournament at Raha.

Raha Raptors Parent Support.

Every flock needs leaders - Become a guiding raptor in our pack!

We are excited to invite you to join the Raptors Parent Group, a dedicated parent group committed to supporting our young athletes by creating more community, official cheering, organizing engaging activities, and raising funds to ensure our sports program's continued success and growth. Please fill out the [FORM](#) to express your interest.

Last games of the season

- **10 June:** U15 Girls Basketball Tournament at Raha KCC @ 2.00-5.00pm

- **10 June:** U15 Boys Basketball Tournament at NYU @ 2.00-5.00pm
- **12 June:** U13 Girls Basketball Tournament at Cranleigh @ 2.00-5.00pm
- **12 June:** U13 Boys Basketball Tournament at NYU @ 2.00-5.00pm
- **13 June:** U11 Girls Basketball Tournament at Rhaa GC @ 2.00-5.00pm
- **13 June:** U11 Boys Tournament at NYU @ 2.00-5.00pm

ECPs

- **13 June:** Last day for Teacher Led ECPs and Raha Raptors Sports
- **28 June:** Last day for CF Tennis and Infinite Sports ECPs

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

Discover the magic of the Alhambra in a unique and exciting story! Join a group of Emirati friends on their trip to Spain as they explore the fascinating history of the Alhambra and share unforgettable cultural experiences. A work full of adventures, friendship, and discoveries that you won't want to miss The Alhambra: A Journey of Friendship and Culture. Click [HERE](#) for more details.

Date: 11 June 2024

Time: 6.00pm

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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