

#### Editor's Column

From an early age It's crucial to teach kids about the Ramadan, its importance, and the value of the holy month of Ramadan to all Muslims, this way they will learn that when they reach a certain age, fasting is mandatory. And their early-stage memory will be pleasant.

It's also important to create an ambiance that promotes the traditions for children and teenagers. Traditions include decorating the house with DYI's ideas, involving them in prayers and Quran, reading inspiring historic Islamic stories, having a daily Ramadan Q and A's time, ask them to help with cooking and setting up iftar, and if they reach the appropriate age challenge them to fast for few days or few hours daily and reward them for their excellent efforts. What's also important is to engage them in activities that involves giving back to the community, showing them the importance of developing

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empathy for others which is the whole concept of Ramadan.

Here are few tips to teach your kids and students about the Environment in Ramadan:

- 1. Try to utilize existing materials at home to create Ramadan Decorations
- 2. Teach them about food waste, and how can it be avoided
- 3. Link environmental conservation with Islamic stories and concepts

Stay Tuned at our social media accounts @ssi\_uae to learn about Ramadan Special workshop.

Have a blessed Ramadan! SSI Team.

# Sponsor's Welcome

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As a proud partner of SSI for over 10 years, bp supports nurturing the knowledge and means to address global environmental issues through educating younger generations.

And shares the concerns of our community's stakeholders and believes that actions today can solve long term environmental challenges.

Bp's purpose is reimagining energy for people and our planet, and the company encourages action today, that will lead to a healthier and safer tomorrow.



# Top News

### Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi to Host 12th World Environment Education Congress in 2024



Lead by H.E Dr Shaikha Salem Al Dhaheri Secretary General at the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi, last Month Environmental Outreach Team at the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi, attended the 11th World Environmental Education Congress in Prague – Czech Republic from 14th – 18th March.

The congress is considered an important international meeting point for people who work within the field of environmental education and sustainable development, as well as those with an interest in it. The congress will discuss the role and significance of education for environmental work and sustainability at all levels, in both official and informal education. The congress is considered to be a point of connection for everyone who works in the field.

On the 3rd day of the congress, it was announced that under the Environment Agency-Abu Dhabi (EAD) will host the 12th World Environment Education Congress (WEEC) in 2024 for the first time in the region.

Abu Dhabi represented by His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Ruler's Representative in Al Dhafra Region and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Environment Agency-Abu Dhabi (EAD),

The congress will be conducted from 29 January – 2nd February 2024 under the theme "Connecting people -creating tomorrow" and will discuss the role and significance of education for environmental work and sustainability at all levels, in both official and informal education.

We are proud to be selected and looking forward to host educators from all over the world to explore Abu Dhabi's efforts in integrating environmental education in academic systems and encourage environmental outreach across the community.

Looking forward to providing an encouraging knowledge exchange ambiance.

Click here for more information



## Green Achiever

#### World Water Day Celebrations

### Future International Academy - Al Ain Celebrates Environmental occasions

The Environment Club at Future International Academy Al Ain conducted environmental awareness session to mark the environmental occasions World wildlife day and world water day. Grade 10 Students participated by preparing presentation and posters to raise awareness and promote sustainability.



### Grace Valley Indian school Celebrates World Water Day, Ground water making the invisible visible

Grace Valley Indian School organized several virtual activities for students in celebration of World water Day.



# All Things Sustainable

This month's collection of All Things Sustainable features the latest environmentally themed books and information to keep everyone entertained as they begin the new semester.





#### **BAADR App**

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#### Houbaras

Did you know that Houbaras are listed as vulnerable due to Predators, poaching, hunting and habitat decline.

Here are few information about Houbaras:

- 1. Houbara Bustards spend most of their time on the ground searching for food (typically seeds, insects and small creatures
- 2. The Houbara Bustard is a shy bird and rarely uses its voice
- 3. Houbara bustard eggs are 'camouflaged' with shades that match desert nests to protect them from attack by predators.
- 4. They are found in North Africa, the Canary Islands and the west Sahara Desert region.

Contribute to conserve Houbaras by spreading information about it.

# All Things Sustainable

## What is Next?

Successful species conservation stories

Date: 21st April 2022, Time: 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Would you like to know about successful stories of conserving species? Would you like to contribute to conserving species? if yes then join us as we celebrate earth day with this year's theme, Invest In Our Planet as Nicholas from Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation Fund share successful stories about funding projects to conserve spices.

Click here to register

Note: Registration is only open for educators and high school students only.

Ramadan Campaign Be part of Ramadan and Eid decoration Workshop with Green Youth Majlis members.

To stay update on the upcoming Ramadan workshops, stay updated on our social media accounts:

Instagram: @ssi\_uae & @sustainablecampusae

If you have any questions email us at: sustainableschools@ead.gov.ae

## Environmental Occasions

- Holy Month of Ramadan
- Earth Day 22nd April

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