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Editor's Column

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June marks an incredible month for environmental action with several days dedicated to celebrating our Planet Earth, raising awareness of environmental challenges, and fostering global action to meet them. World Environment Day is celebrated annually on June 5. Since its inception in 1974, World Environment Day has evolved into a global platform for acting on urgent issues from plastic pollution and global warming to sustainable consumption and wildlife destruction. Millions of people have taken part over the years, helping drive change in consumption habits as well as shifting national and international environmental policies to ensure the survival of planet earth, its endangered species and humanity.

Other important environmental occasions that are celebrated in June include, World Oceans Day on the 8th and World Sea Turtle Day on the 16th, we must use these important occasions to show our commitment to sustainability and contribute to the efforts that aim to combat climate change.

As we pledge our commitment to protect our planet, reverse years of damage and restore our ecosystems, help us make a difference by spreading awareness to your family and friends and be part of the movement.

SSI Team

Sponsor's Welcome

Bp is an integrated energy company, providing innovative solutions to improve people's lives. Headquartered in London and established in the Middle East for over a century, it aims to help the world reach net zero. Bp aims to reach Net Zero by 2050, reaching for ambitious aims to reduce emissions, scale up renewables and invest more in low carbon. We will report back here with progress on our #bpNetZero journey!

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.



#bpNetZero

Environment Agency-Abu Dhabi and KidZania Launch a Sustainable Educational Experience

Environment Agency-Abu Dhabi and KidZania collaborated to educate young children on the importance of preserving the environment and practicing sustainability. During the children's time at EAD pavilion at KidZania, they will be able to act as volunteers and environmental ambassadors through fun training sessions and a hands-on approach. Set up with props such as solar panels, LED lighting, wind turbines, books and sustainable scale electric vehicles, children will solve a series of challenges and recognize different local species after viewing a map of Abu Dhabi. They will then create a community awareness campaign with a unique slogan to encourage sustainability and climate action, while encouraging other children to make a pledge towards preserving the planet and its resources.



Abu Dhabi Indian School celebrates World Endangered Species Day

Every year on the third Friday in May, thousands of people around the world come together to celebrate endangered species, threatened by climate change and global warming. Abu Dhabi Indian School joined in with 477 students from Grade 9 and 4 faculty members. They prepared a video, as part of their Curriculum of Biodiversity Conservation and Endangered Species Protection, highlighting various endangered animals in the region. Students gained knowledge on species such as the Hawksbill Turtle, the Arabian Leopard, Spiny-tailed lizard, Socotra Cormorant and the Houbr Bustard.

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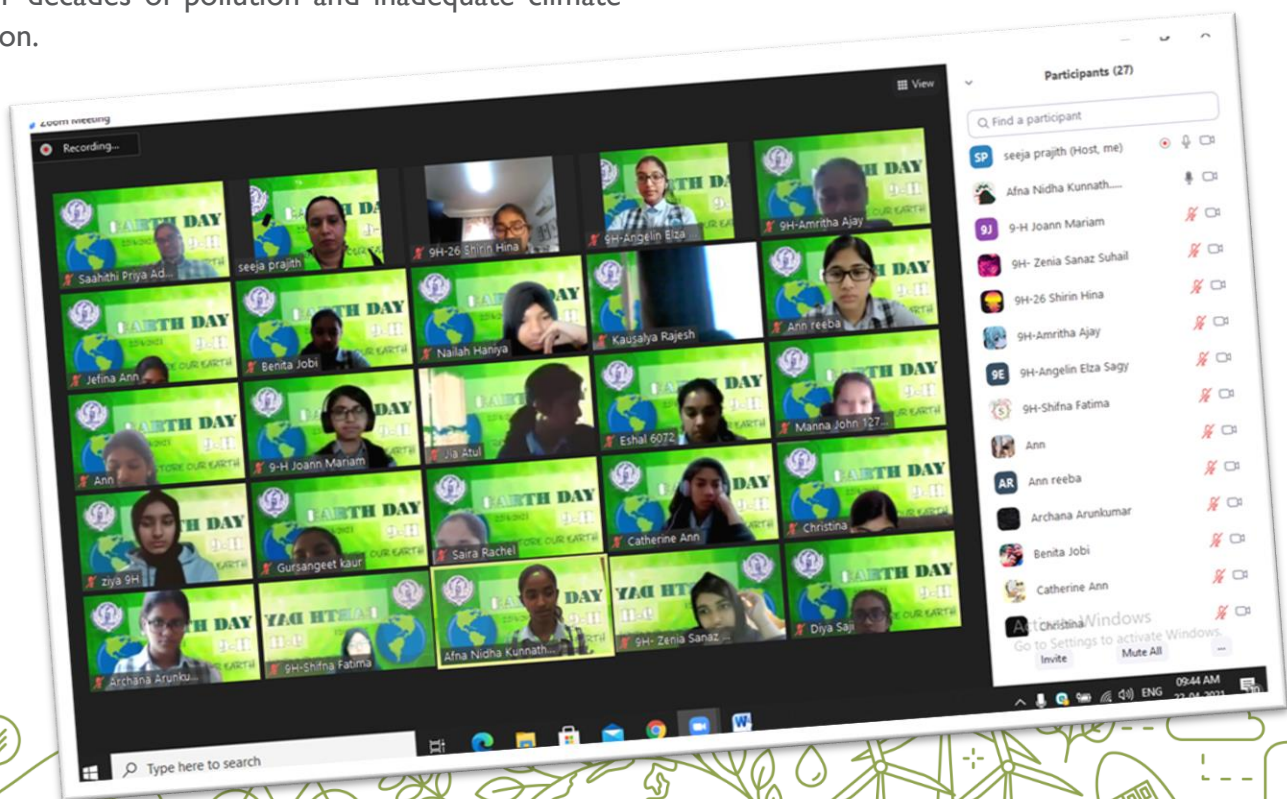
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SUNRISE ENGLISH PRIVATE SCHOOL, MUSAFFAH - Earth Day celebration-2021

“A true conservationist is a man who knows that the world is not given by his fathers but borrowed from his children.” —John James Audubon

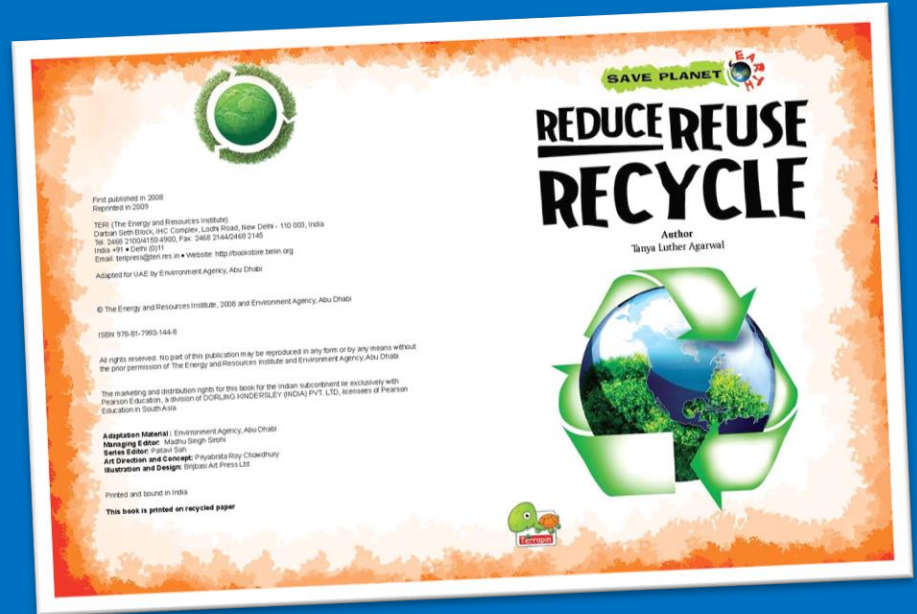
As we marked Earth Day on April 22nd under the theme “Restore our Earth”, the global movement celebrated the pledge for environmental protection and gave a platform to voice the growing concerns over the future of the planet after decades of pollution and inadequate climate action.

Eco-club members of the 9th grade from Sunrise English Private School conducted a Special Assembly for World Earth Day on April 22nd. The assembly put a spotlight over the opinions and thoughts of the youth on the future generations and the environment.



All Things Sustainable

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



Reduce Reuse Recycle

The original title, “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle” by the Environment Agency-Abu Dhabi highlights how the 3Rs can positively impact the environment and aim towards climate action. Filled with historical insights, data and figures, the book takes us through history and back into modern-day society to show the impacts of global warming. It also illustrates methods that help individuals and communities reverse these impacts by following simple recycling and waste reduction methods.

<https://www.ead.gov.ae/storage/Post/files/9a90853ce898353ef8f5c8198d70dd90.pdf>

What's Next?

Stay tuned for updates on meeting the experts, virtual tours, panel discussions and lots of other interactive activities. Join our upcoming sessions:

Live with SCI – Earth is our only home

Date: June 22nd, 2021

Tim: 3:00-4:00 pm

Join our Live with SCI session where we will exchange stories, research, and brainstorm solutions about the environment. Voice your concerns with likeminded peers and engage in the discussion to preserve our planet earth through mitigation.

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0sd--sqTMtHdJZVecV24k0BgIbs4kd_R92

Wondering what's coming up next? We have so many exciting opportunities in planning and while we develop them, here are some environmental occasions for you to mark your calendars:

- June 7, 2021 World Food Safety Day
- June 8, 2021 World Oceans Day
- June 16, 2021 World Sea Turtle Day
- June 17, World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought
- June 22, World Camel Day

Share your contributions on these occasions by sharing an image or video on social media while tagging @SSI_UAE and stay tuned for more updates on meeting the experts, virtual tours, and lots of other interactive activities!

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