



# Inside SSI

A Forum for Educators  
of Sustainability

## WELCOME TO INSIDE SSI!

### Editor's Column

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Did you start your sustainable journey yet?

It is the perfect time to do so.

Did you notice the absence of thin single use plastic bags in some supermarkets?

This was the first step towards implementing single use plastic policy, to cut down the use of plastic products, and prevent major single use plastic products entering Abu Dhabi's marine environment.

The policy includes incentive-based bottle return scheme.

After 2 years, the policy will extend to Styrofoam products (a kind of plastic packaging).

Abu Dhabi is banning certain single use plastic products, Isn't it the perfect time to start the journey?

Learn more through our social media accounts:

@environmentabudhabi

@ssi\_uae

Stay safe,

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

### Release of sea turtles at Saadiyat Beach

His highness Sheikh Hamdan Bin Zayed Al Nahyan – Ruler Representative of Al Dhafra region, Chairmen of the board of directors at the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi and his sons have participated in the release of sea turtles at Saadiyat Beach, following successful rehabilitation efforts by The National Aquarium Abu Dhabi. The release comes as part of continued work to preserve sea turtle populations in the emirate.

His highness said: “From Saadiyat Beach we released a group of sea turtles after they had been rescued and rehabilitated, massive efforts and an important project conducted by the Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi with its partners, thanks to the community, sea goers and fishermen for their efforts and their awareness about the importance of the marine environment and protecting turtles from risks.”



Get more information in the following link:

<http://wam.ae/en/details/1395303056263>

### Mission to Zero

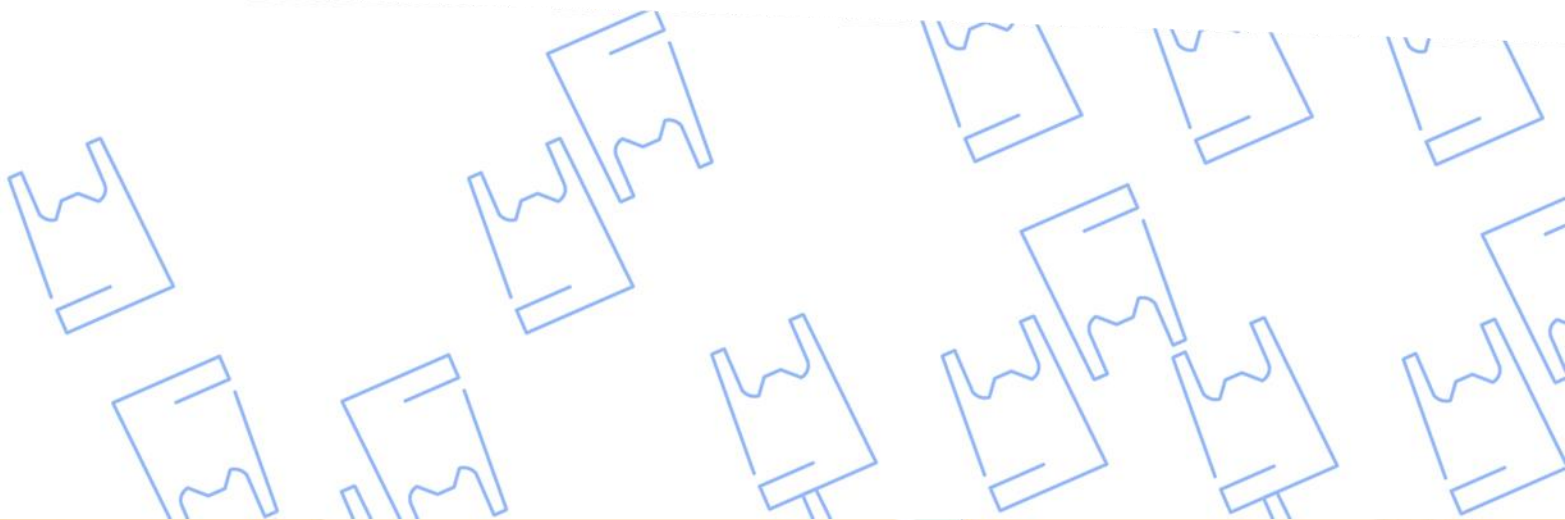
Abu Dhabi is the first in this region to introduce an integrated single Use Plastic Policy.

Do you know that it takes 1,000 years for a single-use plastic product to decompose?

The Environment Agency – Abu Dhabi launched Mission to Zero Campaign to increase awareness around. the single use plastic policy Check the links for information about the campaign:

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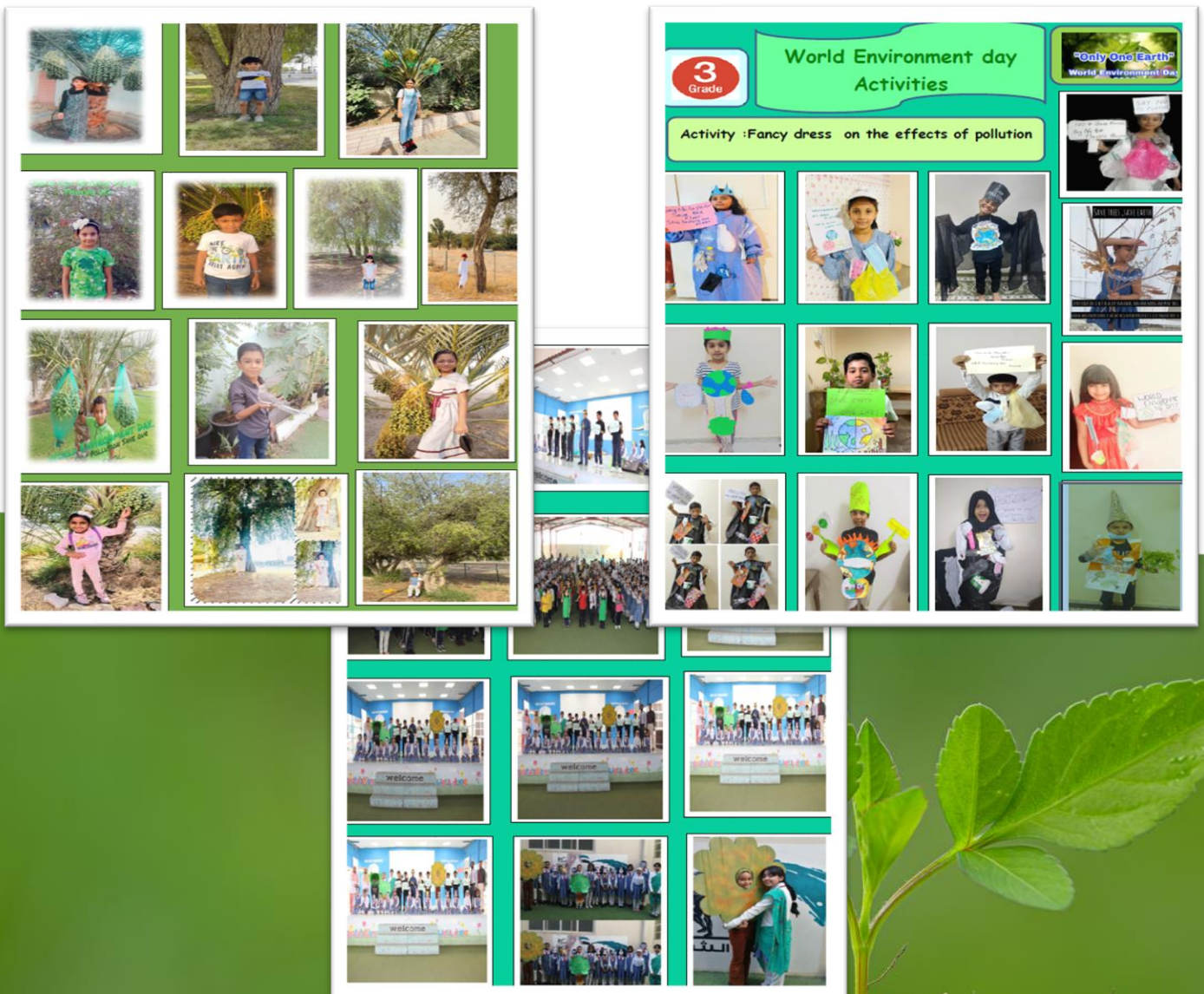
# Green Achiever

## Al Shumoukh School

Congratulation to Al Shumoukh School won the Distinguished School Award in the Distinguished School category in the Sharjah Sustainability Competition.



## Glimpse of World Environment Day Celebration: Grace valley Indian School



# All Things Sustainable



## Get to know about Green Turtles!

They are known scientifically as *Chelonia mydas*, locally as sheeri.

Green turtles are among the largest sea turtle species in the world, the largest green turtle ever found was 5 feet in length and weighed 395 kg. They tend to stay near the coastline, around islands, bays and protected shores with seagrass beds. They are rarely observed in the open ocean. They are usually found near seagrass meadows, coral reefs and bays in subtropical and tropical seas throughout the world.

Green Turtles have been classified in international union for conservation of nature as endangered species.

In Abu Dhabi, turtles are constantly monitored, providing safe havens for them in our marine protected areas, and raising awareness among relevant communities.

# What is Next?



## Environmental occasions

- Shark Awareness Day – 14th July
- World Ranger Day - 31<sup>ST</sup> July

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