

NEWSLETTER



Welcome to a new season!

Jane Goodall's UAE Roots & Shoots has been a powerhouse of amazing individuals, communities, and projects. Check out our monthly wrap-up & announcements.

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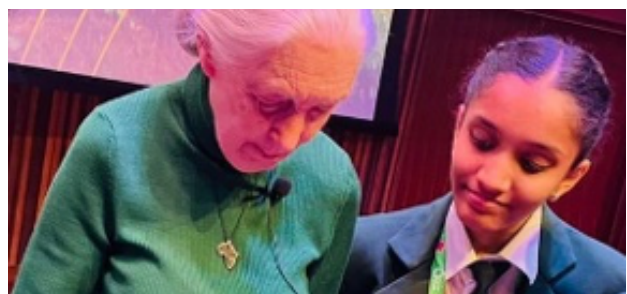
New Marine Project announcement



Awards prep



Project highlights



- Our Resources page is full of enriching resources that can be used with various ages and grade levels. Our most recent resource on "Bees", is created in partnership with the Expo Schools Programme.

New "Bee Kind to the Little Guys" Resource

MESSAGE FROM TARA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Members,



Welcome to the third edition of our exciting e-newsletter. I must admit, being a strong advocate of the natural world, which would make complete sense given the field I work in, I am starting to see some of the benefits of technology. This medium, for example, is a fast and effective way to share our inspirational projects with you and further inspire your interaction and involvement. On that note, I am very **excited to welcome Reham Zia**, who has just joined us as our new Schools Liaison and Outreach officer. She will contact you soon to further support the great work you are doing.

In the next few months, we will be focusing on a **key element of our program, that of animals**. There are so many great environmental and humanitarian initiatives out there that sometimes these amazing creatures that share our planet get overlooked, forgotten or, worse still, threatened by the illegal wildlife trades, increased population growth and deforestation.

Read on to learn more about how you can get involved in **protecting** some of these amazing animals and their diverse habitats that currently inhabit the UAE.

This care and protection also extends to our household pets as well.

Our Roots & Shoots members strive to make a difference every day. Let's make a difference for our animal world too.

Tara Golshan | Executive Director

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tara Golshan".

“Until one has loved an animal, a part of one's soul remains unawakened” Anatole France”





NEW OFFICE, AND A NEW FACE!

We are thrilled to welcome Reham as the newest member of the Roots & Shoots UAE office! With a deep passion for sustainability and education, Reham has dedicated much of her career to inspiring **young people to take action** for a better world. She has extensive experience working on environmental and educational initiatives, and her vision aligns closely with the values that Roots & Shoots embodies. Her background in leading educational immersion programs and organizing impactful events has equipped her with the skills to empower students to become **change-makers**.

Reham's journey has taken her across various fields, from environmental research to community-based projects, always with a focus on inspiring the next generation. At Roots & Shoots UAE, she aims to continue this mission by continuing to build a **culture of learning**, compassion, and action among schools and students. Reham is eager to work with our network of passionate educators, students, and volunteers, helping them carry forward Dr. Jane Goodall's vision of a peaceful, sustainable future.



PEACE DAY



Would you like us to host a screening at your school? Reach out to Reham at: reham@janegoodall.ae

Dr. Jane Goodall's vision for peace is rooted in compassion, understanding, and the belief that every individual can make a difference. On this Peace Day, students- whether at home or out in the world- embraced the opportunity to celebrate and raise awareness for a more **peaceful planet**. Through their actions, they carried forward Jane's message of hope and harmony. Together, we continue to plant the seeds of peace for a brighter tomorrow.

In Abu Dhabi, we had several involvements like **ADIHEX** in Abu Dhabi's Exhibition Center where we had multiple talks and a couple of workshops. During Peace week we hosted a **Jane Goodall documentary screening** at the Bridge Lifestyle Hub. We got to take a peek into some unseen footage of Jane's first visit to Gombe. [Read more on our website.](#)





CHANGE-MAKER, KASHIKA STUDENT AT DPS SHARJAH

Kashika's environmental journey took a pivotal turn when she had the incredible opportunity to **meet Dr. Jane Goodall at the Roots & Shoots Awards Ceremony in 2020** with her school team DPS Sharjah. This experience of meeting the legendary conservationist deeply moved and inspired Kashika, as she saw firsthand how one person's dedication could spark global change. Dr. Goodall's passion and lifelong commitment to environmental preservation solidified Kashika's belief that even small actions can make a meaningful difference. **At just 11 years old**, Kashika is already making waves in the world of climate action. Her passion led her to create Carbon Countdown (@carboncountdown.life), an Instagram platform where she shares practical tips to inspire others to adopt eco-friendly habits and combat climate change.



In addition to her digital advocacy, Kashika exhibited exceptional leadership during her time as the Environment President at her school. Last year, she spearheaded a variety of impactful initiatives, such as organizing recycling drives, launching energy-saving campaigns, and working closely with the school to instill a culture of sustainability among students. Kashika has also initiated a neighborhood recycling project with the Emirates Environmental Group (EEG). On a national level, she has won the ALEF ECO CHAMP award and recognition in the NET ZERO Competition.

There is so much inspiration in the air! Do you have a story like Kashika?

PEACE DAY AT DELHI PRIVATE SCHOOL



‘What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make.’– Dr. Jane Goodall

At Delhi Private School, Sharjah, every event serves a greater purpose, and International Peace Day was no different. Committed to nurturing young minds with core values, the school used this occasion to emphasize the significance of peace, kindness, and empathy among students from Pre-KG to Grade 12.

- **Students from Pre-KG to Grade 2** undertook meaningful activities that emphasized the power of everyday actions in creating a peaceful world.
- **Students from Grades 3, 4, and 5** participated in creative activities that allowed them to express their understanding of peace and share their messages with others.
- **Middle School students** transformed their classrooms into vibrant spaces promoting peace. They created powerful pledges and posters, highlighting the importance of individual contributions to harmony.
- **The students of Grade 10 L & 10 O** hosted an engaging assembly on 18th September 2024 on the topic, 'International Peace Day'. The assembly aimed to spark meaningful discussions about the importance of peace and unity in today's world.
- **Grade 12 I and J** students presented an inspiring assembly on 26th September, on International Peace Day, highlighting the importance of harmony and unity. Their topic was *'Never Give Up- for Peace'*.



TARA'S SCHOOL VISIT - WOODLEM PARK

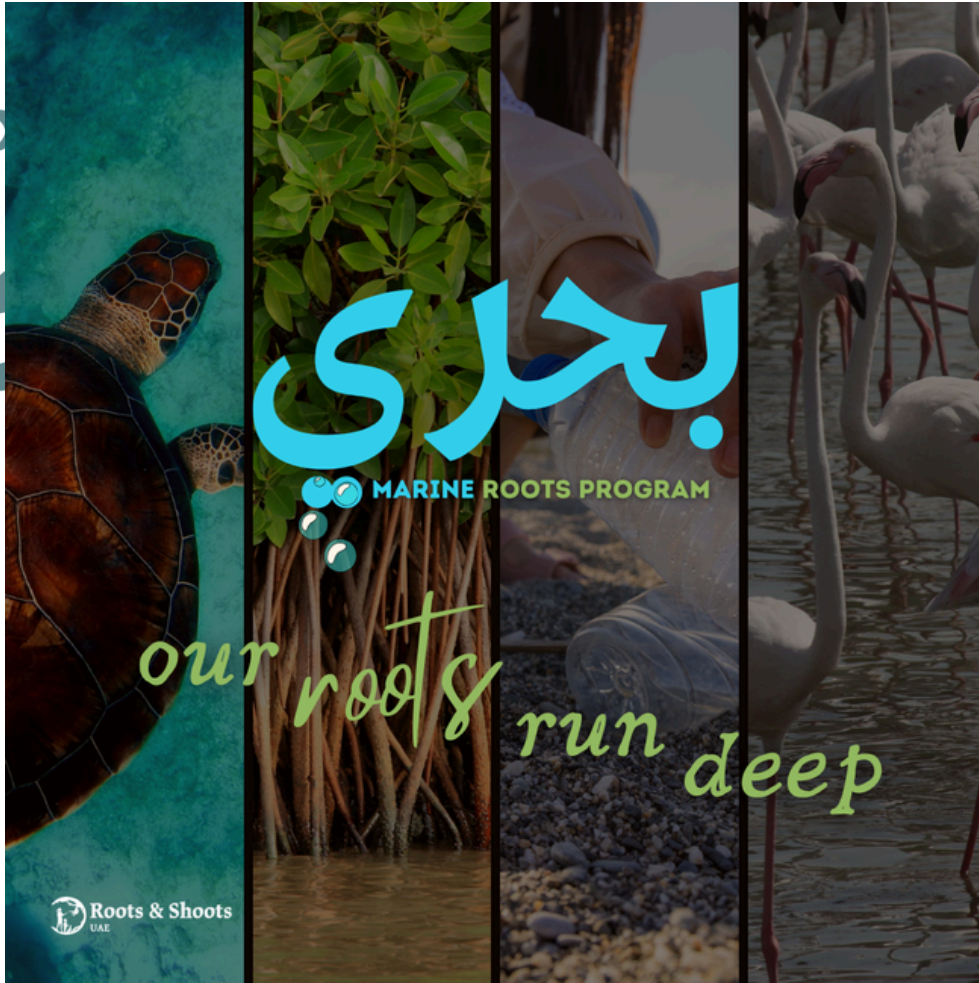
During Tara's visit to the UAE in early October, she had the pleasure of visiting Woodlem Park School in Dubai to witness the incredible sustainability projects the students are working on. During their **enrichment hour**, Tara saw firsthand the creativity and innovation that went into these initiatives. From an up-cycled handbag crafted entirely out of newspaper to beautifully designed pots for money plants, the students of Woodlem Park demonstrated a remarkable commitment to sustainability. Their projects were a true reflection of putting eco-friendly ideas into action.



THANK YOU 😊



INTRODUCING بحري



Jane Goodall's UAE Roots & Shoots is excited to announce a unique initiative that dives deep into our connection with marine life, both underwater and on land. This program is designed to explore the UAE's rich marine roots, focusing on the ecosystems that thrive in & around our waters. From the mangroves that protect our coastlines to the versatile marine species that call these waters home, Bahri covers everything in between.

Starting November 2024, we will be offering a wide variety of field immersive activities under Bahri open to our member schools and to the public.

We would like our members to add this to their focus for their upcoming projects in line for our Awards Ceremony.

How Deep Can Your Roots Run?



STEPS TO SIGN UP

- *Bahri includes various activities throughout the month, including but not limited to, monthly ecology in the mangroves kayaking trips, workshops from scientists and experts in the field of marine biology and conservancy, along with stewardship activities.*
- *Costs will vary, however R&S member schools will get an exclusive price and invite to the activities.*
- *The amount of students per activity will depend on the location, kayaking trips will be no more than 25 students each trip.*
- *Student volunteers will be nominated for the activities.*

1. [Fill the form](#) with your interest
2. Read the instructions carefully
3. Wait for a response in your inbox!

