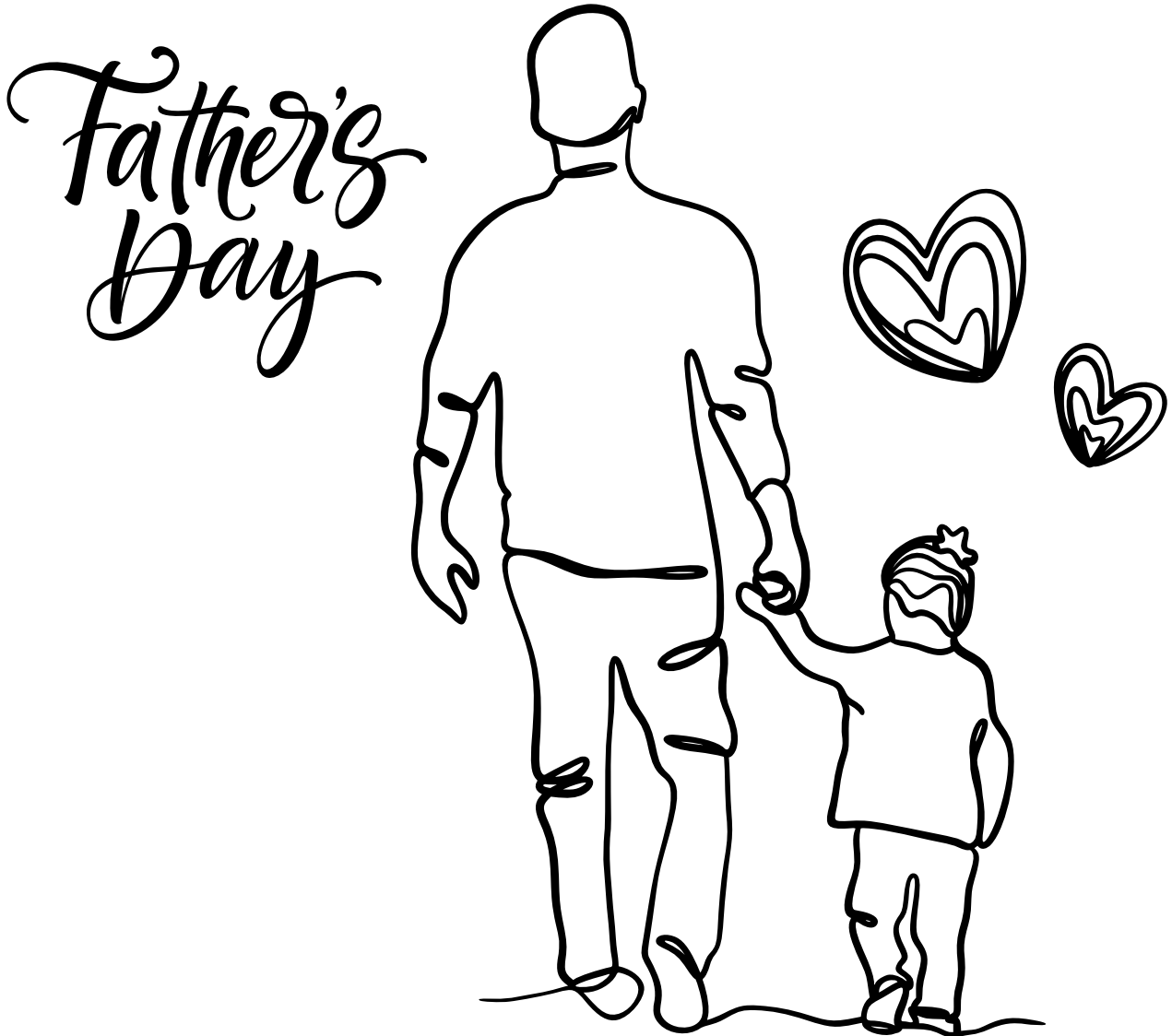

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Welcome to the latest edition of The Kids' Chronicle! In this edition we look at:

- **Teenagers building F1 cars**
- **Runaway zebras**
- **Father's Day**
- Plus all your favourite games and puzzles

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I hope you love reading this as much as I have loved creating it.

HOW A TEAM OF UAE TEENS BUILT A MINI RACE CAR THAT HITS 80 KM/H!

READY... SET... GO!

A group of students from GEMS Founders School in Dubai are racing into the spotlight — and not just because they love cars! They've built a mini Formula 1 car that can zip down the track at a jaw-dropping 80 kilometres per hour! That's faster than most scooters!

They're called Team Founders, and they're taking part in a global engineering competition called F1 in Schools™ — where students from all over the world design, build, and race tiny F1-style cars powered by a puff of CO₂ gas!

The Power of Ideas (and Eagles!)

So how did they make a mini car so speedy?

Well, these teen engineers got smart. They studied aerodynamics (that's how air moves around objects) and looked for ways to make their car super smooth and sleek — just like an eagle gliding through the sky.

"We wanted to reduce drag and make the car fly down the track," explained Hannan, one of the students. "We even used ideas from real Formula 1 and NASCAR cars!"

They carefully shaped the car's body, tested it on the computer using advanced science tools (like 3D design software and virtual wind tunnels), and added special features like ceramic bearings and a double bearing system to help the wheels spin faster.



TOOLS, TECH, AND TEAMWORK

They didn't just imagine the car — they built it! Using a special kind of foam, 3D printers, and precise measuring tools, they made sure everything was just right — down to the tiniest detail. “Even one millimeter too much could slow the car down,” said Hannan. “We worked on every part until it was perfect!” The team even tested their car at the Yas Marina Circuit (yes, the real F1 track in Abu Dhabi!). Imagine being a student and getting to race your creation where professional drivers compete — how cool is that?

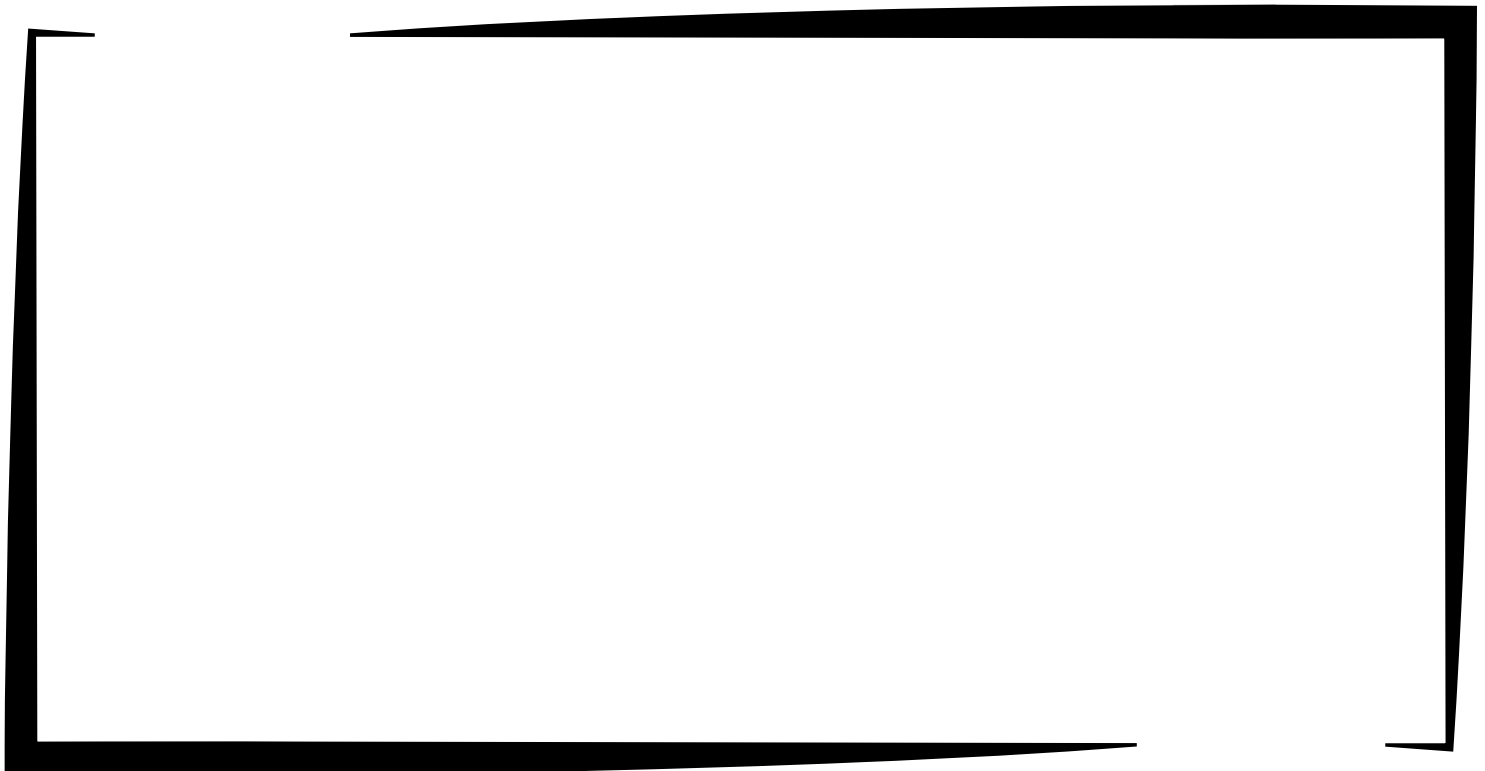
WANT TO START YOUR OWN STEM JOURNEY?

You don't have to build a race car (yet!) to start exploring the amazing world of STEM — that's Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths. Here's how you can get started:

- Try simple experiments at home – like building paper rockets or balloon cars
- Join a school robotics or science club
- Play with coding apps or games like Scratch
- Ask questions! Why do cars move? What makes planes fly? Be curious!
- Watch shows or read books about inventors, scientists, and engineers
- Build with LEGO or recycled materials – use your imagination!

DESIGN YOUR OWN MINI RACE CAR!

Grab a pencil and some colouring tools. Let your imagination zoom as you become an F1 engineer in training! Share your design with TKC to have it published!



ED THE ZEBRA'S GREAT ADVENTURE IN TENNESSEE!

THE WILD ESCAPE

Meet Ed the Zebra — he wasn't on a safari, but he was on the run! Arriving at his new home in Tennessee on May 30, Ed escaped the very next day. For eight days, he dashed through streets, highways, and even startled drivers on Interstate 24! To keep everyone safe, the road was closed while deputies searched for him

A SKY-HIGH RESCUE

Ed finally paused in a quiet pasture where a special aviation team from Texas spotted him. Then came the dramatic moment: Ed was calmly lifted into a giant net, hoisted by a helicopter, and gently returned to his trailer. What an ending to his big adventure!

WILD ANIMALS ARE NOT PETS

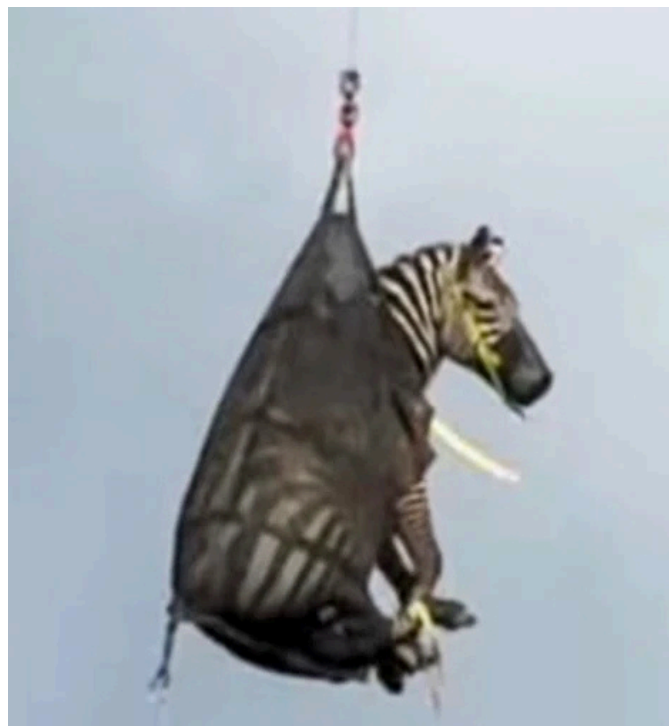
Ed's adventure was fun to watch, but it tells an important story: wild animals, even zebras, aren't meant to live at home! Here's why:

- They're unpredictable. Zebras can kick, bite, or run off suddenly.
- Special care is needed. They need special diets, space to roam, and vaccinations.
- Big safety risk. If they get spooked, they might run into traffic or get hurt.
- Legal rules. Some places make it hard or illegal to own wild animals.

When Ed escaped, he created a traffic hazard and needed a big rescue team. That's a big reminder why these animals belong in wildlife parks, not your backyard.

WHAT WE CAN LEARN

- Wild creatures are best left wild. They don't make good family pets.
- Real heroes are rescuers! The sheriff's office, wildlife experts, and helicopter crews saved the day.
- Safety first! When people saw Ed, they stayed back and let the experts do their job — a smart move!





CULTURE CLASH

This week we look at Father's Day - a special day to celebrate Dads, Grandads, and All Father Figures!

WHAT IS FATHER'S DAY?

Father's Day is a special day where we say "thank you" to our dads (and grandads, stepdads, uncles, or anyone who acts like a dad) for all the amazing things they do. From fixing our bikes to telling the worst jokes, dads definitely deserve a day of celebration!

WHERE DID IT ALL BEGIN?

- Father's Day started over 100 years ago in the United States.
- The very first celebration was held in 1908, but it became more popular in 1910 thanks to a girl named Sonora Smart Dodd.
- Sonora wanted to honour her dad, who raised six children all by himself. That's a superdad!
- The idea grew, and by the 1970s, it became a recognised holiday in many parts of the world.

Today, Father's Day is celebrated all around the globe — but on different dates!

- In the UK, India, the US, and many countries, it falls on the third Sunday in June.
- In countries like Australia, it's celebrated in September!

FUN THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR FATHER'S DAY

You don't need to buy anything fancy to make your dad feel special! Here are a few fun things you can do at home:

DIY Gift Ideas:

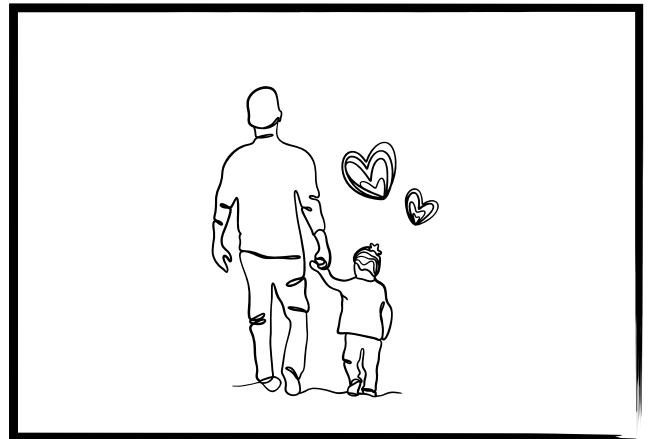
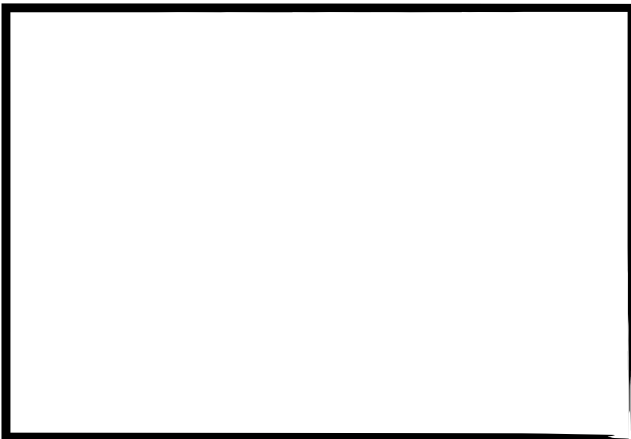
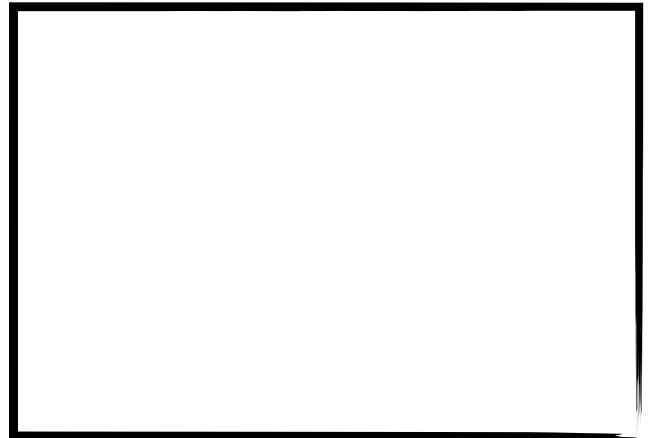
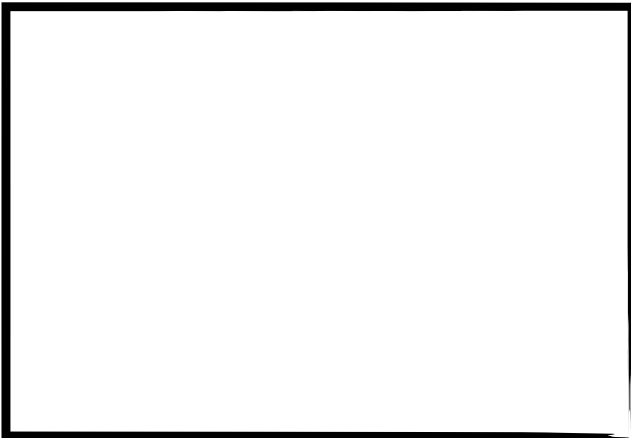
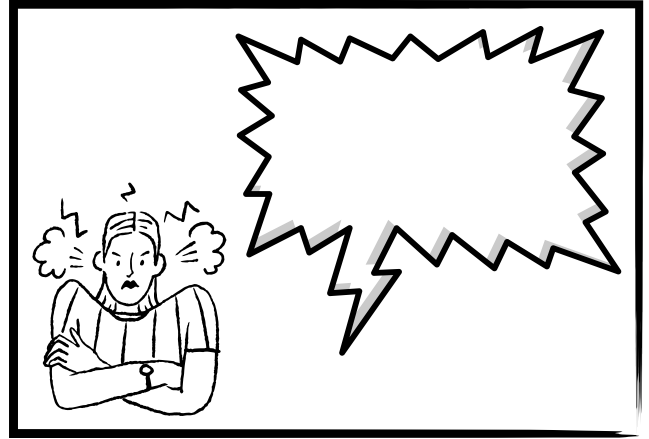
- Make a "Best Dad" trophy out of cardboard and foil.
- Draw a comic strip starring your dad as a superhero.
- Bake cookies or pancakes (with help!) in the shape of ties or moustaches.
- Create a Father's Day coupon book: "One free hug", "One chore pass", "One breakfast in bed" — you decide!
- Write a poem or letter telling him why he's awesome.

Fun Activities:

- Plan a dad-themed quiz night.
- Host a mini sports tournament in the garden.
- Put on a Father's Day Talent Show with your best impressions of him!



FINISH THIS COMIC!



DAD & ME BINGO!

Can you get 5 in a row? Or perhaps a Full House (all)?

Dad & Me Bingo

Give Dad a
Hug

Tell Dad a
Joke

Make Dad a
card

Play a board
game
together

Say, "Thanks
Dad!"

Do a Chore
for him

Make him
laugh out
loud

Draw a
picture of
Dad

Give him a
compliment

Do a silly
dance to his
favourite
song

Write him a
poem

Watch his
favourite
show with
him



Share your
favourite
memory with
him

High Five him

Make
breakfast in
bed for him

Sing him a
song

Go for a walk
or run with
him

Bake or make
something
together

Say, "I love
you" to him

Give him a
handmade
gift

Tell a funny
story about
him

Read
together

Give him a
High Five

Get him to
teach you
something
new

MEET THE SEAWOLVES!

The Fish-Eating, Island-Swimming Wolves of the Pacific Coast

You've probably heard of wolves running through forests or howling at the moon — but have you ever heard of a wolf that swims like a fish and lives off the ocean? Say hello to the seawolf, one of the most amazing animals on Earth!

Where Do They Live?

Seawolves live in a magical place called the Great Bear Rainforest. It's a lush, wild forest along the Pacific coast of Canada, filled with towering trees, sparkling streams, and dozens of islands. Unlike most wolves that stay inland, these wolves live right along the coastline, and sometimes on tiny islands.

Wolves That Swim? Yes, Really!

Seawolves aren't just strong runners — they're incredible swimmers! They can swim up to 12 kilometres (about 7.5 miles!) between islands. That's farther than most humans can swim! Instead of chasing deer or rabbits like other wolves, seawolves eat salmon, seals, barnacles, mussels, and even dead whales that wash ashore. Yup — they love seafood!

A Breed All Their Own

Scientists have discovered that seawolves are genetically different from other wolves. That means their DNA — the special code that makes up their bodies — is unique. They've evolved this way because of where they live and what they eat. Over time, animals can change (or evolve) based on their surroundings. This helps them survive better. For seawolves, that meant:

- Growing strong legs for swimming
- Learning to catch fish instead of hunting deer
- Spending more time near water than inland

These changes didn't happen overnight. It took hundreds or even thousands of years for seawolves to become the skilled swimmers and fishers they are today!

Why Are Seawolves So Special?

- They rarely howl — and when they do, it sounds softer than their inland cousins.
- Seawolves have a dark, sleek coat that helps them stay camouflaged in the misty rainforest.
- Their diet is about 90% seafood, which is very different from other wolves.

Even cooler? The Indigenous peoples of the Pacific Northwest have known about seawolves for centuries. In their stories and art, the seawolf is a symbol of strength, mystery, and transformation.



AMAZING FRENCH OPEN FINALS BRING DRAMA & TRIUMPH TO PARIS!

CARLOS ALCARAZ VS. JANNIK SINNER – MEN’S FINAL

The Showdown: Spain’s Carlos Alcaraz took on Italy’s Jannik Sinner in a historic final — the first Grand Slam final between two players born after 2000. Alcaraz made a fantastic comeback to win 4–6, 6–7, 6–4, 7–6, 7–6 over an epic 5 hours and 29 minutes — the longest French Open final ever.

Fun Facts about Carlos:

- At just 22, he’s already won five Grand Slam titles!
- He saved three championship points to keep the match alive
- His win makes him the second man after Roger Federer to triumph in all of his first five Grand Slam finals



COCO GAUFF VS. ARYNA SABALENKA – WOMEN’S FINAL

USA’s Coco Gauff, aged just 21, challenged world number 1 Aryna Sabalenka from Belarus. After losing the first set in a close tiebreak, Gauff roared back to win 6–7, 6–2, 6–4 and claimed her second Grand Slam title.



Fun Facts about Coco:

- She’s the first American woman since Serena Williams (2015) to win the French Open.
 - She’s now a two-time Grand Slam champion, also winning the 2023 U.S. Open.
 - Gauff is known for her mental toughness, powering through many tough matches.
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CROSSWORD: TENNIS

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