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#### Induction Week

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August New**

Students (ONLY)

KG1, KG2, Grade 1,2,3,4,5

*Secondary students online all week*

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August to 4<sup>th</sup>**

**September**

KG1 and KG2 in school

All other grades online (primary and Secondary)

### Welcome message from the Principal

Dear Parents,



I hope you and your family had a wonderful summer holiday. I also hope you are relaxed, recharged and ready to start a new school year. It is my privilege and honour to serve as the new Principal of WSR after serving as the Vice Principal for nearly three years. I am so delighted that you are part of our amazing learning community. I welcome and value your positive energy and dedication to excellence in education, and I look forward to working with you and your children. It is a **pleasure**, a **privilege** and my **duty** to ensure that all students at GEMS WSR receive an educational experience that will prepare them as global citizens in a global society. We will endeavour to provide each student an exceptional standard of education within a caring, value-driven learning environment that has a strong focus on academic rigour, self-directed learning and the highest aspirations.

### New Staff

Each year brings positive change. This includes a few additions to our staff:

I would like you to welcome Ms Shabana our new Vice Principal, who joins us with a wealth of experience in primary education, she was a successful Executive Principal of several primary schools in the UK.

Divya Bhola -	Primary Teacher
Mary Ann Otico -	Primary Teacher
Stuti Shindepatil -	Primary Teacher
Dhanesh K N -	PE Teacher
Gemma Walsh -	Primary Teacher
Marina Samuel -	Secondary English Teacher
Gurpreet Kour -	Social Studies B Teacher
Ezekiel Cadigal Sanchez	Primary Music Teacher
Jhanen Nepal -	PE Teacher
Mohamed Meguid -	Secondary ICT Teacher
Fathima Zeba -	Psychology Teacher
Andrew Nisbet -	Primary Teacher
Hanan Rahman -	Arabic Teacher
Essra Taha -	School Doctor

## SLT Team



Nicole Haynes  
Principal/CEO



Shabana Amir-Baz  
Vice Principal



Asma Siddiqui  
Teaching & Learning  
Coach



Ismail Saidi  
Head of Arabic and  
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Jane Scawthorn  
Head of Primary



Rhea Lawrence  
Director of Learning  
Key Stage 4



Beena Nair  
Director of Learning  
Key Stage 5



Asvari D'Souza  
Deputy Head of KG  
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Ilne Gevers  
Deputy Head of  
Primary



Chantelle Sargeant  
Deputy Head of  
Secondary



Martin Charles  
Poveda  
Head of Secondary



Harley Golder  
Assistant Head of  
Primary



Paramprit Kaur  
Director of Learning  
Key Stage 1



Ummehani  
Mohammed  
Director of Learning  
Key Stage 2



Remya Unnikrishnan  
Director of Learning  
Key Stage 3



Ziaur Rahman  
Deputy Head of  
Secondary

## The 'New Normal'

The last six months during this global pandemic has been challenging for all, but will emerge stronger, more resilient and continue to strive for success and fulfillment in our lives.

As you are aware we recently received approval from the MOE to reopen the school, however as the COVID pandemic is still on going there will be continuous updates and revision to our reopening plans.

**This week the MOE have informed us of the following:**

- All students will have an option to have 100% remote learning (parents need to complete the parent agreement)
- Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Induction day only for NEW students in KG1, KG2, Grade 1 to Grade 5.
- 31<sup>st</sup> August to 4<sup>th</sup> September) only 25% of the students will be in school – KG1, KG2
- Grade 1 to 12 will have remote learning during this period
- Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> September – KG1, KG2, Grade 10, 11 and 12 will come to school
- Grade 7 to 12 require a negative COVID test before coming to school (age 12 and above)
- 13<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September we will be allowed to have 50% capacity of students in school – confirmation of grades to be confirmed as well as KG1, KG2, Grade 10, 11, 12

## Safety Guidelines for Parents

- Notify the school if you have travelled out of the country
- Sign the parent/school declaration to follow all safety guidelines
- Ensure you inform your child's teacher of any updated contact information and an emergency contact
- Support the wellbeing of your children – ensure that they eat healthy and sleep adequately
- Ensure that your child has good attendance to school either in school or online
- Ensure you do not send your child to school if they are displaying any symptoms or have a high temperature.
- Ensure to follow the school traffic plan, enter and leave the school premises by the designated gate.
- Ensure you send your child to school with 2 labelled masks, a packed lunch and water bottles.
- Ensure you inform the school clinic if your child has any preexisting medical conditions.
- To arrange an appointment with your child's teacher, contact the school for an online meeting
- **Only KG1 and KG2 parents will be allowed in the school for a maximum of 10 minutes. No other parents are permitted into the school.**

- Parents are not allowed to visit the school without a prior appointment, if you need to visit admissions or the accounts office, **please only come after 2.30pm.**
- Make online payments and avoid cash transactions.

### **Physical distancing in classrooms**

- Classrooms will be set up to accommodate reduced capacity. Student desks will be set at a safe distance apart (1.5 meters);
- Teachers will be positioned at the front of the classroom area, at a distance of 1.5 meters from the front row desks.
- The school will encourage a paperless strategy and expect student to bring their own device to school

### **Coming to School**

- Students will arrive, leave the school at the determined start, and finish time.
- Designated drop off and pick-up areas will be allocated for each grade where parents will collect the students.
- Parents will not be able to access the rest of the school to ensure the safe drop off and collection of students. Upon arrival to school, students will pass through a number of designated entrance points.
- Each student will undergo a temperature check upon arriving at school each day. WSR will use thermal imaging cameras established at strategic entrance points into the school. This will include entrance points for bus students.
- Temperature checks will also be conducted prior to a student entering the bus prior to boarding the bus.

### **Teach your child the following prevention techniques to safeguard themselves and others:**

- Keeping a safe distance of 2m from others.
- Covering their mouth and nose with a tissue/paper towel when they cough or sneeze and throwing used tissues in the trash immediately.
- Coughing or sneezing into their elbow if they don't have a tissue.
- Washing hands with soap for 20 seconds multiple times during the day.
- Remembering to wear a mask when stepping outside the house.

### **Bookstore – options for buying books**

- Pay online
- Collect from school
- Deliver to your home
- Deliver to your child's classroom

### **Uniform – Visit the school after 2.30pm onwards daily**

- Pay online or at school
- Deliver to your home
- Collect from the school

### **School Fees – Book and online appointment if required**

- Pay online
- Reenrol online
- Visit the admissions office after 2.30pm

### **Lunch**

- Ensure you child has a healthy packed lunch
- Provide water bottles
- Pay online to pre order food and drinks to you child's class (Grade 2 to 12 only)

### **Exam Results 2020**

We have been celebrating WSR's best exams results despite COVID 19. Please join us in congratulating students in Grade 10, 11 and 12 who received some amazing IGCSEs, AS and A Level results. These results reflect the hard work and determination of all students and support and dedication from their teachers.

IGCSE Exam Results		A Level Exam Results	
9-8	19%	A*-A	44%
9-7	36%	A*-B	56%
9-6	52%	A*-C	80%
9-5	68%	A*-D	94%
9-4	85%	Pass Rate	98%

Throughout the year, you will find plenty of updates regarding the school, school events and your child's learning on our social media pages:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hddJU0hOy9s>



<https://www.facebook.com/GEMSWestminsterSchool.RAK/>

### **Welcome to our new students, families and staff:**

This year we will welcome just over 650 new students to the school and an overall student number of 3100+. With this, we will also welcome 15 new teachers and a number of new administration staff; a big welcome to all.

### **Keep up to date:**

We have tried to listen to feedback from our community and we are always trying to improve the methods by which we communicate with parents. On our website, we now have a dedicated page to School Events/Calendar. This is a calendar of major events planned at the school (which will be regularly updated) throughout the academic year

<https://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/for-parents/calendar-2019-20/>

As Principal, I firmly believe that school improvement can only begin if we work together in partnership with our community. As a result, we have placed an area on our website outlining our school priorities for 2020\_21 and the steps we are taking to achieve these:

### **Six key priorities for the year ahead:**

- 1. Improving Student Outcomes**
- 2. Embedding Literacy across the Curriculum**
- 3. Improving the quality of Learning and Teaching**
- 4. Improve the educational outcomes for all key groups**
- 5. Improve the quality of assessments systems and quality assurance**
- 6. Improve Parental Engagement and Communication**

You will receive regular updates and milestone to inform you of the progress we are making against these priorities:

## **Some Key Reminders for the start of the Academic Year:**

### **Join our Local Advisory Board:**

Are you interested in joining WSR's Local Advisory Board (LAB) as a Parent LAB member? We have vacancies, and need your skills and knowledge as a parent to help steer the school's priorities and strategy to assure continued success. The role is an important one in supporting the school and helping to monitor the performance of the school. You would be there to express your own views as a parent.

Each school within GEMS Education has a local advisory board, made up of parents of children in the school, people with an interest in local affairs, the staff of the school and co-opted governors with particular knowledge and skills relevant to the school's priorities.

You do not need to have any qualifications or previous experience to join as a Parent LAB member. You certainly do not need to be an "expert" in education since training and support are available. A commitment of time is needed for reading papers, attending and contributing to meetings, typically one meeting per term, undertaking training provided, as well as joining in the activities of the school.

In return you will learn about good governance, have the opportunity to develop your skills and knowledge, and play a key role in WSR's future success.

If you are interested in joining our LAB please inform the school by e-mail at [diana.k\\_wsr@gemsedu.com](mailto:diana.k_wsr@gemsedu.com)

### **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

At the start of each year, we reach out to our parent community to join our dedicated PTA. As a member of the WSR PTA Family, you can be part of the solution, helping make positive changes to our school, while demonstrating to your child the importance you place on their education. Please contact our PRE Josephine Atea [josephine.a\\_wsr@gemsedu.com](mailto:josephine.a_wsr@gemsedu.com) if you would like to join our PTA or would like further information.

### **Our Values and Respect Programme – GEMS Jewels of Kindness**

At WSR, we believe it is important to educate the whole child, which is not only academic education but also character building. GEMS WSR Values Education programme encourages children to respect their parents and elders and to play an active part at home and in their family lives.

In order to encourage such behaviour in our children at WSR, we will continue with our GEMS Jewels of Kindness programme during 2020\_21.

- When our children undertake an act of kindness, respect, empathy or appreciation at home they will be rewarded with a GEMS Jewel of Kindness
- Eligible acts of kindness must be home based rather than community based, with a particular emphasis on children demonstrating respect for their parents or grandparents.
- Parents can send a message (a picture and/or text relating to what their child did and how it made them feel) to WSR via the following email address: [GJK\\_wsr@gemsedu.com](mailto:GJK_wsr@gemsedu.com)
- WSR will gather a weekly list of GEMS Jewels of Kindness
- Each week, we will select winning GEMS Jewels of Kindness. Children will take the Mascot home and receive a certificate and praise
- Winners' video/text clips and photos will be posted on our Facebook and Instagram social media platforms

## **BBT – Bus Transport**

To register your child for bus transport, please visit BBT office in GEMS WSR.

Kindly contact 052-6753900 for booking your appointment or any enquiry

## **Reminder – Use of Social Media:**

Many of you are members of WhatsApp or other social media groups that connect parents in a particular class. Ideally, the group chats are useful places to share information regarding your child's day in school; receiving updates and reminders about school events; as well as sharing parenting advice. Most of the time, these chats groups are productive and can be a great resource for parents. However, on occasions these forums have been used to communicate inappropriate or inaccurate information.

In order to prevent any miscommunications, here are some guidelines:

- If you have a query or concern about a teacher or the school leadership, you should arrange to speak to that member of staff, our PRE or a member of the leadership team.
- When writing, remember that that whatever you say on social media may be forwarded to someone else, and in a few minutes a much wider community than you were originally intending may see it.

**The law in the UAE is very strict about posting negative statements about people, businesses or the government. The MOE Parent-School contract, which all parents are required to sign, includes this clause:**

- ***The school will not tolerate any form of defamation or intentional harm practiced through social media forums. Parents (and students in all grade levels) using any social media forum must, at all times, demonstrate respect for the members of the school community (including all students and personnel). Parents and students must not breach confidentiality, defame or make threats to any person in the school community***
- ***Instances of proven and intentional breach of the above will result in sanctions that may include Suspension from the school.***

## **Mobile Phones:**

We would ask that you discourage your child from bringing a mobile phone to school because they are valuable and may be lost or stolen.

School policy clearly states that mobile phones should not be in the possession of any child during the course of the school day (from 7.45am to 2.30pm).

If a student decides to challenge this rule, the phone will be **confiscated** and will not be returned until a Parent / Guardian has a meeting with the Principal / Head of School (the phone will not be returned to the child).

Please note that the school accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to a mobile phone whilst the device is on the school premises.

## **Access to School Site – Parents are not allowed inside building during school hours**

Just a reminder, MOE guidance **strictly prevents any parent(s)** any access to classrooms or other areas of the school during the school day (08.00am – 02.20pm). All parents should make an appointment prior to visiting the school, if your wish to visit the admissions office, bookstore, uniform shop or accounts office, please visit after 2.30pm.

### **Parent ID:**

As part of our Health & Safety policy, please ensure you kindly bring your parents ID while entering the school premises. Any parent who has not received their IDs please register your name at the security gate; we will make sure you receive your ID at the earliest.

Parents who are sending their nannies and drivers to the school are requested to provide us the authority letter with students ID to avoid any inconvenience.

### **Wheelie bags – A request not to purchase**

As part of our facilities, we have cubbyholes in all lower-school classrooms and lockers for secondary students. I am therefore requesting that parents should **not** purchase **wheelie bags**, as students can store books and equipment in their own cubbyhole or locker.

Please ensure you purchase a **sensible backpack** or **satchel** that supports your child's back and does not cause excessive strain when your child is moving around the school.

### **School Punctuality:**

Good punctuality at school is essential for students to achieve their full educational potential. It is also vital for students to form good habits for later life. Students who are persistently late will have to attend **community service during their break period**. It is very important that you ensure your child attends school every day and is present for the UAE National Anthem.

### **Uniform**

- As we move through the term and as the climate cools down please ensure your child has a **school jumper** instead of any outdoor jumper or hoodie. School jumpers are currently in stock and can be purchased from the school store.
- Please ensure your child has **appropriate black** (no other marking or colours) **shoes** with formal uniform.

### **Weekly Clinic with the Principal**

You are invited to meet the Principal at the school every week to:

- share information
- discuss school issues
- ask questions
- provide suggestions – with the goal of working together to improve the school experience.

**When:** Every Sunday

**Time:** 09.00am – 10.00am

**Where:** Online Session (the link will be shared prior to the session)

I am looking forward to working in partnership with you this year.

**Useful contacts at WSR**

If you have any concerns about attendance, punctuality or your child's welfare, please contact your child's Tutor or Pastoral Leader in the first instance. If you are unable to get a satisfactory response by following the agreed procedures, then please do not hesitate to contact reception on 07 203 5999 to arrange a meeting with a member of the Senior Leadership Team or Head of Section

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### September Key Dates:

- Sunday 6th September 2020 -Parent Information morning (KG)
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020 - Parent Information evening (Gr 1-2) Primary Parent Open Afternoon
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020 - Parent Information evening (Gr 3-5)
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020 - WSR Marhaba Evening - Welcome and Information Evening for New Parents
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020 - Parent Information evening (Gr 11-12)



## [Save on your school's fees today! | GEMS Ambassador Programme](#)

Dear Parent,

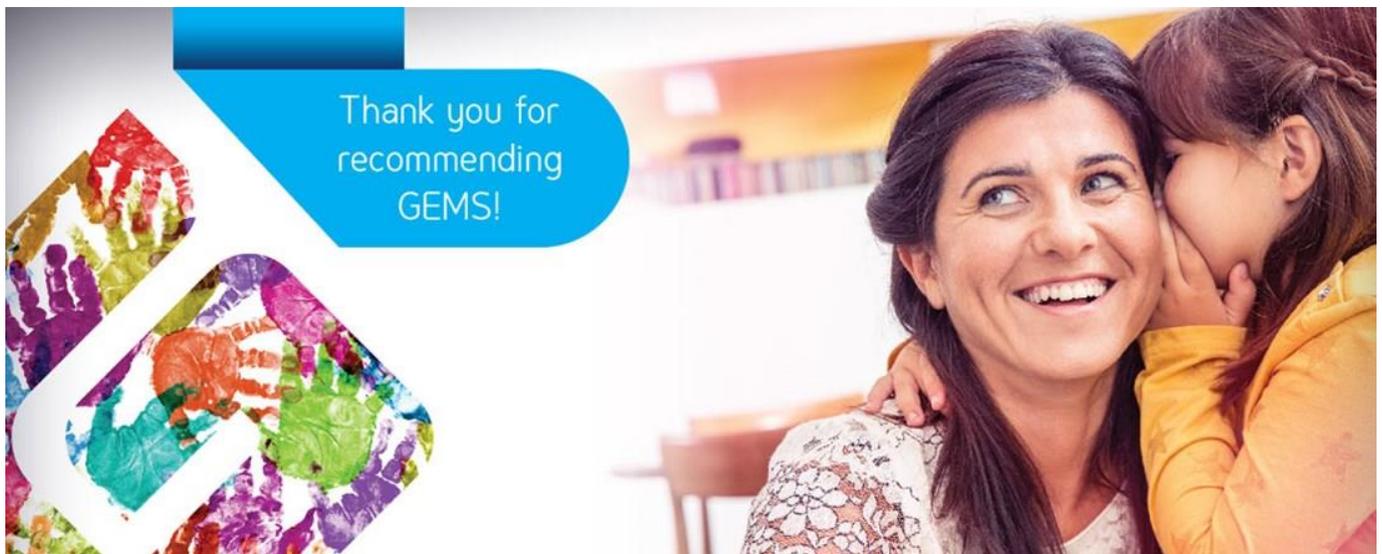
The GEMS Ambassador Programme has been running successfully for more than a decade since its launch in 2008. In the past two years alone, the programme has helped parents earn back more than AED 650,000.

The programme is open to any GEMS Education parent and the process is straightforward: simply introduce a new family or friend to any participating GEMS school and earn back a minimum of **4% and up to 100%** of your **child's annual tuition fee** in the form of GEMS Points. These Points can then be used to pay school fees (<https://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/why-gems/ambassador-programme/>)

We very much look forward to welcoming you as a member of the GEMS Ambassador Programme and thank you for your participation.

Kind Regards

Admission Team  
GEMS Education



### Keep up to date with our School website

- Missed a previous edition of our Newsletter? All newsletters are uploaded on our website: <http://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/for-parents/policies-forms-handbook-and-newsletters/newsletters/>
- Missed a letter from the school? All letters sent to parents are now on our website: <http://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/for-parents/letters/>
- Check out what's been happening at school in our Event Logger Page: <http://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/for-parents/events-logger/>
- What events are happening this Term – check out our Events Calendar: <http://www.gemswestminsterschool-rak.com/for-parents/events-calendar/>



### Download the GEMS Rewards App & get saving

Dear all,

If you have not done so already, please ensure you have downloaded the GEMS Rewards App and completed the registration process. The App is available on IOS and Android App stores. <http://www.gemsrewards.com/>

There are plenty of offers and savings



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**4.25% discount offer is extended till 31st August plus you can  
Convert the school fee in installment without interest and  
Without processing fee**



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Made especially for GEMS families

**Advance Tuition Fee Discount Scheme on GEMS Credit Card - Academic Year 2020-2021**

**Academic Year starting Sept 2020**

Fee cycle	Payment due date	Payment Period	Fixed rate %	No. of monthly fees in advance
Term 1	On or before 20 August 2020	Full year fees	4.25%	10 months
	On or before 20 August 2020	1st and 2nd term fees	3.00%	7 months
	On or before 20 August 2020	1st term fees	1.50%	4 months
Term 2	On or before 20 December 2020	2nd and 3rd term fees	2.50%	6 months
	On or before 20 December 2020	2nd term fees	1.25%	3 months
Term 3	On or before 20 March 2021	3rd term fees	1.25%	3 months

**Academic Year starting April 2021**

Fee cycle	Payment due date	Payment Period	Fixed rate %	No. of monthly fees in advance
Term 2	On or before 20 August 2020	2nd and 3rd term fees	2.50%	7 months
	On or before 20 August 2020	2nd term fees	1.50%	4 months
Term 3	On or before 20 December 2020	3rd term fees	1.25%	3 months
Term 1	On or before 20 March 2021	Full year fees	4.25%	10 months
	On or before 20 March 2021	1st and 2nd term fees	3.00%	7 months
	On or before 20 March 2021	1st term fees	1.25%	3 months

**For any clarifications on tuition fee discounts, please contact the GEMS school cashier**

**Terms and conditions:**

- The discount scheme is based on a fixed rate percentage of the tuition fee paid in advance and in accordance with the above fee cycle calendar using the GEMS FAB Titanium Credit card.
- The discount can be used for a maximum of one academic year and is only applicable if a one term minimum tuition fee is paid in advance.
- Eligibility for the fee discount requires any outstanding fees to be paid in full.
- The discount is based on the current fee structure. Should any revision to the fee structure be approved by the regulatory authority at a later date, the difference shall be payable by the cardholder.
- In case of any refunds, the official refund policy will be applied and the discount already granted will be adjusted accordingly.
- The discount is applied on the net tuition fee after concession/reduction/advance payment, if any.

**Contact: SAJIDA 0503535523**

**School Term Dates:**

Statement	Date
Term 1	From 30-8-2020 to 10-12-2020
Term 2	From 3-1-2021 to 25-3-2021
Term 3	From 11-4-2020 to 1-7-2020
Last day of academic Year	1-7-2021

