WSR IN A WEEK

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CLOSING THE WORD GAP AT HOME: A TOOLKIT FOR

Studies have shown that children with a limited vocabulary make slower progress in reading and writing. Increasing your child's vocabulary is something that every parent can help to do, and the benefits are lifelong. Here are some flexible ideas you can try at home to support your child:

Talking together

Having regular conversations with your child is one of the most powerful ways to improve their vocabulary. This doesn't need to feel artificial, just take your lead from what's around you and what interests you and your child.



What's Happening

Week starting 20th June 2021 The theme of the week **Father's Day**

- Sunday 20th June: Principal Clinic
- Monday 21st June: Primary Q and A
- Tuesday 22nd of June Arabic Dep Q and A

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- **1.Eating together.** Try to eat and talk together with no other distractions and have a 'no screens at the table rule' which includes parents.
- **2.On the go.** Use car journeys as a chance to talk. Choose light-hearted topics to start conversations. For example, 'What superpower would you choose?', 'What does your perfect day look like?', or 'If you were to go on a holiday, what place would you choose and why?'.
- **3.Telly talk.** Watch a TV programme together and use it as a springboard to talk.
- **4.Talk about the news.** Talk about what's happening in the world and ask their opinion about it.
- **5.Did you know...**? Starting conversations with teenagers can sometimes be difficult. You could start by sharing an experience, fact or anecdote that might interest them.
- **6.Sharing advice**. Ask their opinion about something or seek their advice on a situation or problem.

Encourage reading for pleasure

Reading for pleasure gives your children access to a wider range of words and children who read regularly are more likely to develop a varied vocabulary.

- 1. Book talk. Talk about your own reading. It's very powerful for your child to see and hear adults engaging with books, and genuinely reading for pleasure.
- 2. Borrow books. Make regular trips to the library and take advantage of everything that's freely on offer, including magazines and newspapers, DVDs and audiobooks. Try to make these visits as fun as possible so that your son or daughter has positive associations with the library.
- 3. Share ideas. Talk to other parents about their children's reading and share titles and tips to spark their interest.
- **4. Seek out inspiration**. Whether your teenager is an avid or reluctant reader, it can be difficult to find books to suit their ever-changing interests. Stay up-to-date with children's fiction and books for young adults online through reviews and recommendations, use Twitter to follow their favourite authors for book news and ideas, or simply pop into a bookshop for window-shopping inspiration.

- **5. Graphic novels.** If you struggle to find any books of interest for your child, try comics and graphic novels. Remember that all reading is good reading.
- **6. Non-fiction.** Don't neglect non-fiction some children prefer it and it's just as important for vocabulary development.
- **7. Reading aloud.** Read with your child whether they are at primary school or at secondary school. Try a variety of different texts, including interesting news stories or magazines.
- **8. Spoken word.** Listen to audiobooks, podcasts or the radio together. It's important for young people to hear new words said out loud, as this can help to make their meaning clearer.

Share a curiosity about words

Young people are more likely to cope with difficult words if they have a curiosity about language. Show your child that you are curious about words too.

- 1.Play games. Play word games as a family, such as Scrabble, Boggle and Pictionary.
- **2.Tall tales**. On car or train journeys play games such as Just a Minute (where you talk for one minute on a subject without hesitating, repeating yourself or deviating from the subject), or adapt the format of popular TV shows like Would I Lie to You? (which involves telling a funny or unusual 'story' from your past and family members have to say whether you are telling the truth or not).
- **3.Top words**. Talk about your favourite words or unusual words that you encounter.
- **4.Word workouts**. Show your child that adults often need to check a word's meaning. Support your child in using online and paper dictionaries, and if you like playing word games or solving crosswords, do it together.

Asma Siddiqui
Teaching and Learning Coach

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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Primary News

Good Afternoon Parents.

Please find the link to our weekly Primary Newsletter. Here, you can access the weekly Fridge Facts, read important letters, review the curriculum documents and plan ahead for future calendar events

https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/primarynewsletterterm3week9/home

We truly appreciate your understanding and support for the school during these challenging times and please be assured that WSR will continue to follow the best health and safety practices as guided by our national authorities to ensure the wellbeing of our students and school community.

Many thanks,





WSR Primary

Join us as we discuss student transitions to the next grade.

DATE: Monday 21st June 2021

TIME: 12:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

https://gemseducation.zoom.us/j/89561304230





Secondary News

Dear Parents,

Please click on the links below to access the secondary weekly newsletters for Key stage 3, 4 and 5.

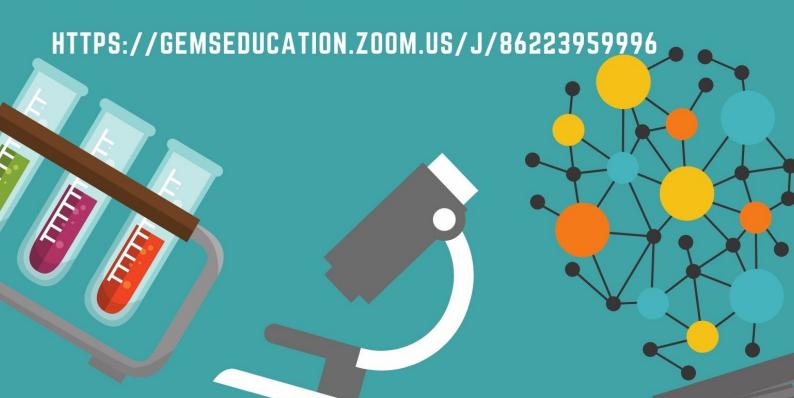
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- KS5 https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/ks5-13jun-17th-june-2021/home





MORE INFORMATION ON THE SCIENCE DOUBLE AWARD AND OPTIONS

Click on the Zoom link below to join us for a session on Grade 8 Options and pathways <u>@3pm on Monday</u>, 21st June 21.



Parents Clinics and Workshops

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Principal Clinic on June 13th:

https://gemseducation.zoom.us/rec/share/S93wquB8g Xrus3h2oGB8quUz82zGysQDkKybfDZeF8GTViwNT0xxlN iJPk1GFA3T.33VkgjGeflg0slhD







STUDENT WELFARE CLINIC FOR PARENT



WHEN Monthly Thursday's 10am - 11am

10:00 AM TO 1030 AM — TOPIC 10:30 AM TO 11:00 AM — CONCERNS





Hassina Muhammad
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TOPICS

How to spend Holiday with kids in Current situation of COVID19



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UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION 2021



I am responsible and committed to follow Covid guidelines so I have decided to purchase my new uniforms early to avoid the last minute rush.

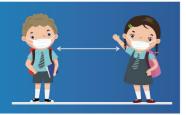
I bought my uniforms for the new academic year and I had a great shopping experience;

Have you bought yours?



All Uniforms Now Available at Threads Outlet in Al Naeem Mall-RAK.

Pre-book to stay safe.



BOOK NOW



Step 1:

Pre-book your appointment to visit the store www.threadsme.com



Step 2:

Present your appointment confirmation (QR code)



Step 3:

Enjoy a safe and socially distant shopping experience

To download the uniform guide/catalogue www.threadsme.com

ONLINE ORDERING

To free up your time, please order online at www.threadsme.com

Orders will be delivered to your preferred address.

Delivery: 5-8 working days.





MADE TO MEASURE SERVICES

MTM & Alteration services are available at other Threads outlets on specific date and time.

Delivery: 10 working days.

PRE-BOOK your Made to Measure service at www.threadsme.com.



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PAYMENT METHODS AT WSR!



PAYMENT IN SCHOOL

YOU CAN PAY CASH OR CREDIT

PAYMENT THROUGH

GEMS CONNECT APPLICATION





To update their contacts, access reports, make payment and more **PAYMENT THROUGH**

PARENT PORTAL

Bank transfer:

Account Name: GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL

RAS AL KHAIMAH

Bank Name: MASHREQ BANK

Bank Address: RIQA BRANCH, DUBAI, UAE

Account Number: 01 900000 1227

Swift Code: BOMLAEAD

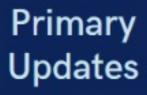
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WEEKLY PRINCIPAL
CLINIC, EVERY SUNDAY AT
03:00 PM



Weekly updates from WSR



Secondary Updates

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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 you participation.

Kind Regards

Admission Team GEMS Education





Re-enroll today at GEMS WSR to ensure your child is with their friends next year!

RE-ENROLL TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OFFERS GEMS HAVE ON YOUR TUITION FEES

No.1 Offer - For every friend you refer to GEMS you will receive a 4% discount on your child's tuition fees!

No.2 Offer - Pay with a F.A.B card and get up to 4.25% discount on your child's tuition fees!

No.3 Offer - Link your Etisalat Smiles to GEMS Rewards to receive even more discount!

SAVE... SAVE... SAVE... USING YOUR GEMS REWARDS!





A STUDENTS GUIDE TO ONLINE CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE



SHHHHH.....!

Mute your mic when you are not talking or typing.
Only turn it on if you are asked to speak.



BE ON TIME

Turn up - the class is to help you and your learning.

Be on time for your online classes.



NO PHOTOS

Do not take screenshots or photos of others online.



Everyone's view online.

TURN ON YOUR CAMERA

Keep your camera on during the lesson.

Sit against a wall or blur your background when online.

Use headphones if you and your siblings share the same room.



SPEAK UP AND ASK

Contact teachers during school hours or make an agreement about contact times.



PRESENTATION

Dress appropriately.



SCHOOL RULES

School rules apply in the online classroom.

Think before you type.

Be focused on the task assigned.





WHO SHOULD TAKE IT?

• Children between the ages of 5 and 16 years

THE BENEFITS

- · It can make the illness less serious, should you get infected
- It prevents the spread of the virus

Flu Vaccine available @RAK Hospital **Price AED 85**

For appointment and more information please call 07 207 4444













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Academic Year 2021-2022 is now open for WSR.

Click

https://www.gemswestminsterschoo l-rak.com/admissions/enrol-online/

to register.

Secure your child's place now!

For School Bus Services - BBT Company

Parents who want to register bus service for the students, please visit the BBT counter.

Timing - Sunday

to Thursday 08:00 AM to 03:00 PM

Saturday 08:00 AM to 01:00 PM.

Transport In charge- Mr. Yusaf Rasheed.

E Mail - sde-wsr@bbt.ae

Contact - Tel: 07-2035999 Ext: 204

Thank You.



Offer only for GEMS Parents!



Repair or Replacement Guaranteed PLUS Free pick up and drop

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



FAB GEMS Credit Card

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
Town 1	On or before 20 August 2020	Full year fees	4.25%	10 months
Term 1	On or before 20 August 2020	1st and 2nd term fees	3.00%	7 months
			1.50%	
	On or before 20 August 2020	1st term fees		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
Torres 3	On or before 20 August 2020	2nd and 3rd term fees	2.50%	7 months
Term 2	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
	On or before 20 March 2021	Full year fees	4.25%	10 months
Term 1	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



Keep up to date with our School website



- 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/



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

School Term Dates:

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Last day of academic Year	1-7-2021

