NEWSLETTER 31 9TH MAY ,2021

WSR IN A WEEK

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GEMS Westminster School

RAS AL KHAIMAH

What's Happening

Week starting 9th May 2021

The theme of the Week

Eid Al Fitr

- Sunday 9th May: Principal Clinic

Message from Debuty Head of Secondary

Dear Parents

This week, our school's theme was Charity Week. Last Thursday, a letter went out to parents to explain our focus this week: we have joined the campaign launched by the UAE government to provide 100 million meals to those in need. The campaign stems from the UAE's principles of serving humanity, laid by the late UAE founder His Highness Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, to become a pivotal part of the society. The campaign implements the leadership's vision to establish solidarity, aid the vulnerable and foster the belief that happiness lies in giving. We believe that this is an attribute that we want all of our students to have. Understanding that no matter how small it can be, but the ability to give to others, is a fundamental part of developing our shared humanity.

During the final days of this year's Ramadan, it is a perfect time to find time to support those who are less fortunate. As a family, this could be done by contributing to the school's campaign, or it could be doing something for our local community. We think that fostering feelings of empathy, and understanding the needs of others, is important for all of our students so that they can develop into caring and valuable members of our society.

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If you haven't given anything yet, I would urge you to donate, no matter how small, to our 100 Million meals campaign so that a family who are really in need can enjoy a meal this Ramadan. 1 dirham= 1 meal. Our school has created an online donation campaign via the 'YallaGive' platform. Simply visit the following link to make your donation:
http://yallagive.com/en/campaign/Powered-By-GEMS-WESTMINSTER-SCHOOL-RAS-AL-KHAIMAH-72113

Many thanks,
Chantelle

Deputy Head of Secondary School

Dear Parents / Carers

Re: Eid Al Fitr Holidays

Assalamu Alaikum

I hope you and your family are safe and well.

Following the directives of The President, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Ministry of Education has announced that the Eid Al Fitr holiday will be from Ramadan 29 to Shawwal 3. If Ramadan lasts 29 days, will have a four-day break from Tuesday, 11th May to Friday 14th May. Normal school timings will resume on Sunday 16th May 2021.

You will shortly receive letters from the Primary and Secondary teams regarding the mode of learning and the school timing after the Eid holiday. A Primary survey was sent to parents to find out your preference for your child's learning https://forms.gle/CcaHAtCDBMK5e8qN9 , please ensure that you submit your response as soon as possible.

Please note that the school is still subject to COVID 19 restrictions as per MOE and MOH guidance. We can only accommodate 50% of staff and 50% of students in the school, which means that we cannot have all year groups in school every day.

We thank you for your ongoing support and patience through this difficult and challenging period.

The school leadership team, staff and I wish you all a very happy Eid and hope Insha'Allah that the spirit of Ramadan will remain with us throughout the whole year.

Eid Mubarak!

Wassalaam

Yours sincerely

Nicole Haynes
Principal/CEO
OneTribeOneFamily

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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WSR YouTube	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKMwVs9mTmESj1m_nk7XvoQ/videos	

Primary News

Good Morning 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/primary-newsletter-t3w4/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,

Secondary News

Dear Parents,

Kindly find below this week Secondary Newsletters :

KS3 - https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/2nd-may-6th-may-2021/home
KS4 - https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/ks4-newsletter/home
KS5 - https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/ks5-newsletter-ay20-21/home

Dear Parents,

RE: Secondary Online Learning after Eid

When we resume the term after the Eid holiday, Secondary School students will be learning online.

As the Ministry of Education has set a limit of the number of students and staff we can have in the school, we are restricted in how we operate. Secondary School students were given priority in the beginning of this Term, and we were open for all students. After Eid, the Primary School will now invite their students to attend which means we will only be able to provide an online learning provision.

We will continue to provide all of the lessons as timetabled while online, and will support your child in their learning and development until the end of the school term. We thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

If your child is in Grade 10-12, they may still be required to attend school to complete examinations, or provide additional evidence to support their portfolio of work, to be submitted to the exam boards. Please ensure they follow the mock timetable, and any further directions from Ms. Rhea or Ms. Beena, in order to complete all work required by the given deadline.

Kind regards,

Secondary SLT.
OneTribeOneFamily

Parents Clinics and Workshops

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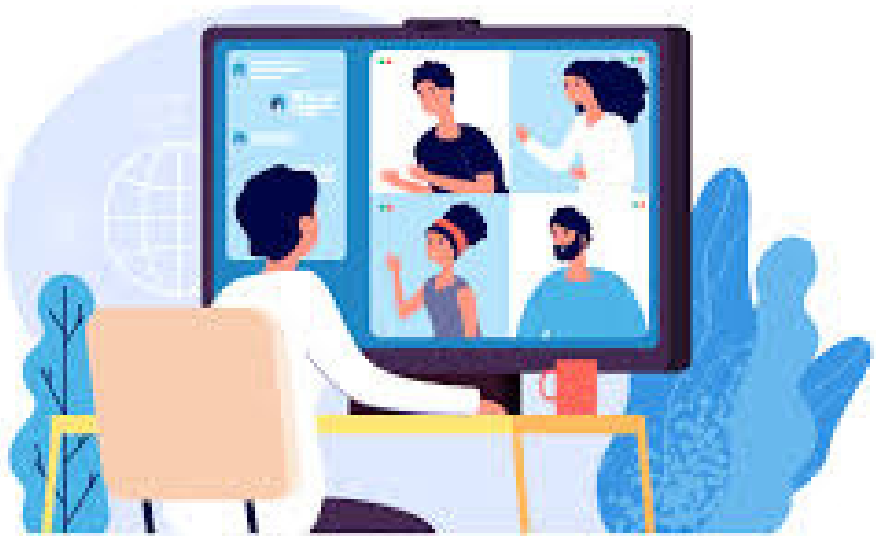
Principal Clinic on 2nd May:

https://gemseducation.zoom.us/rec/share/3HUT7lVA05CVSpRvsl13wl_zfJQ0RBBGYaG2bm8IwR93IqPsyInYXmn2wYXUy_Ch.aTdFTP_nYGJH7L73

Secondary Examination Clinic for G10-12, Thur 6th May:

https://gemseducation.zoom.us/rec/share/dOhEy8h6bM0GohDC7saJc_Gj7LaETcAzkbwsQ4eU3IKxB6Tyv0G2R8xJW56vP5Xg.QUHnboRqcsZqoMk4



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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!

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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.

Protect yourself and your children from Flu

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- Children between the ages of 5 and 16 years

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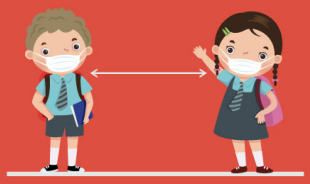

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For School Bus Services – BBT Company

Parents who want to register bus service for the students, please visit the BBT counter.
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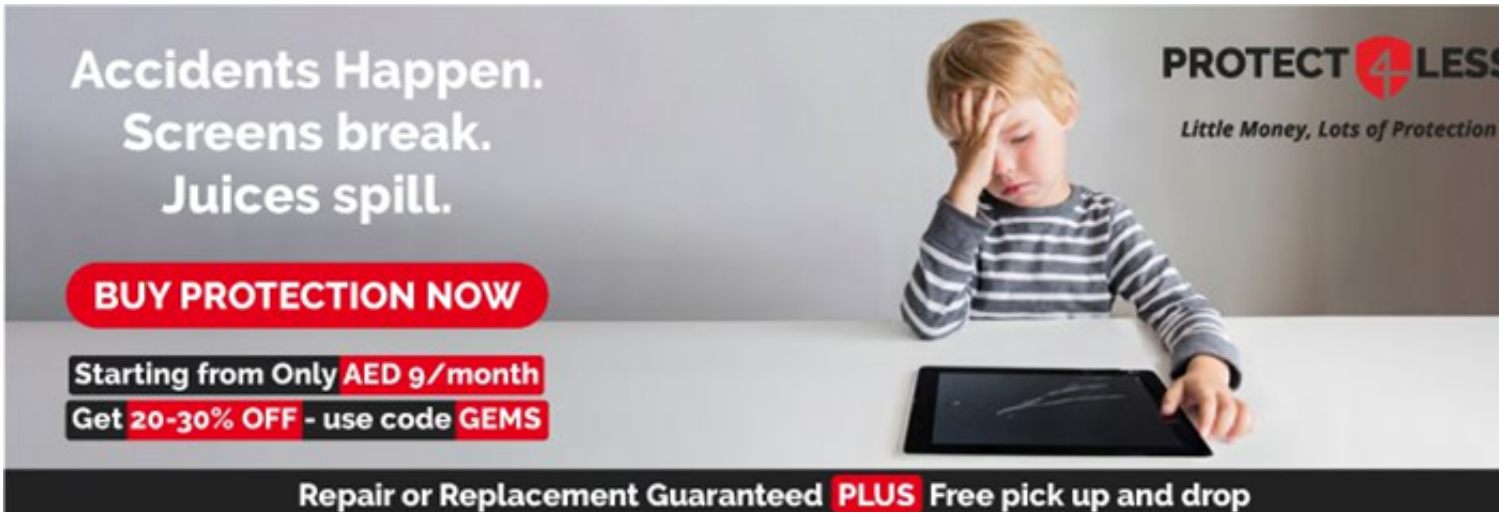
Saturday 08:00 AM to 01:00 PM.
Transport In charge- Mr. Yusaf Rasheed.
E Mail - sde-wsr@bbt.ae
Contact - Tel: 07-2035999 Ext: 204

Thank You.

Offer only for GEMS Parents!



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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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

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

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

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/

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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

Kind Regards