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Dear Parents,

I hope that you are all says and well. I thought that this week I would hand Write my message. In a time when we are using digital technology more and more, I thought that we needed a little reminder of the importance of hand writing.

If you can, please take some time this week to encourage your children to write a note. They can write to you or a sibling or other family members in your house.

When I was a little girl, I used to write letters to my friends, the joy we had reading each others hand written notes.

This week why not hand write your shopping list, scave a note on your child's bed or just simply practise hand writing with your child.

Write in any language, Arabic, English or German it doesn't matter which. Just enjoy writing it and watch the joy on the readers face as they read your Words.

-Happy Witing

Kind Regards Jane Scawborn.

What's Happening

Week starting 13th of Sep Theme of the Week

Student Investiture week

Parent Information evening

- Sunday 13th September KG1
- Monday 14th September KG2 and Grade 1 / Islamic Parent Workshop
- Tuesday 15th September Grade 2 to Grade 5
- Sunday 20th September Grade 11 and 12
- Monday 21st September Arabic and Islamic
- Tuesday 22nd September Grade 8 to 10
- Sunday 29th September Grade 6 and 7

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:

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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. 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.



Accidents Happen. Screens break. Juices spill.

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Starting from Only AED 9/month Get 20-30% OFF - use code GEMS PROTECT

Little Money, Lots of Protection

Book Store

Dear Parents,

The book sales will now be held online. Please use the following link to purchase books for your child. https://oasis.gemseducation.com/

Below you will find different options on how to receive your purchased books.

Option A - Receive by courier:

If your option is Courier please read below information so that you can take the benefit of free delivery by buying full pack.

1. Full Bundle - free of charge delivery (3 - 4 working day)

Option B - Collect from School:

If you choose this option, after ordering the books online, please wait for communication from the school informing you of which day to collect. Please do not just turn up at school. Collection will be by appointment only.

Option C - Delivered directly to your child's class:

If you choose this option, the books will be delivered directly to your child's class and the full pack will be in the classroom on the first day of term ready for them.

If you have any book queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on suneel.f_wsr@gemsedu.com If you need parent username and password kindly email: Josephine.a_wsr@gemsedu.com

Kind regards WSR

Survey for Primary Parents

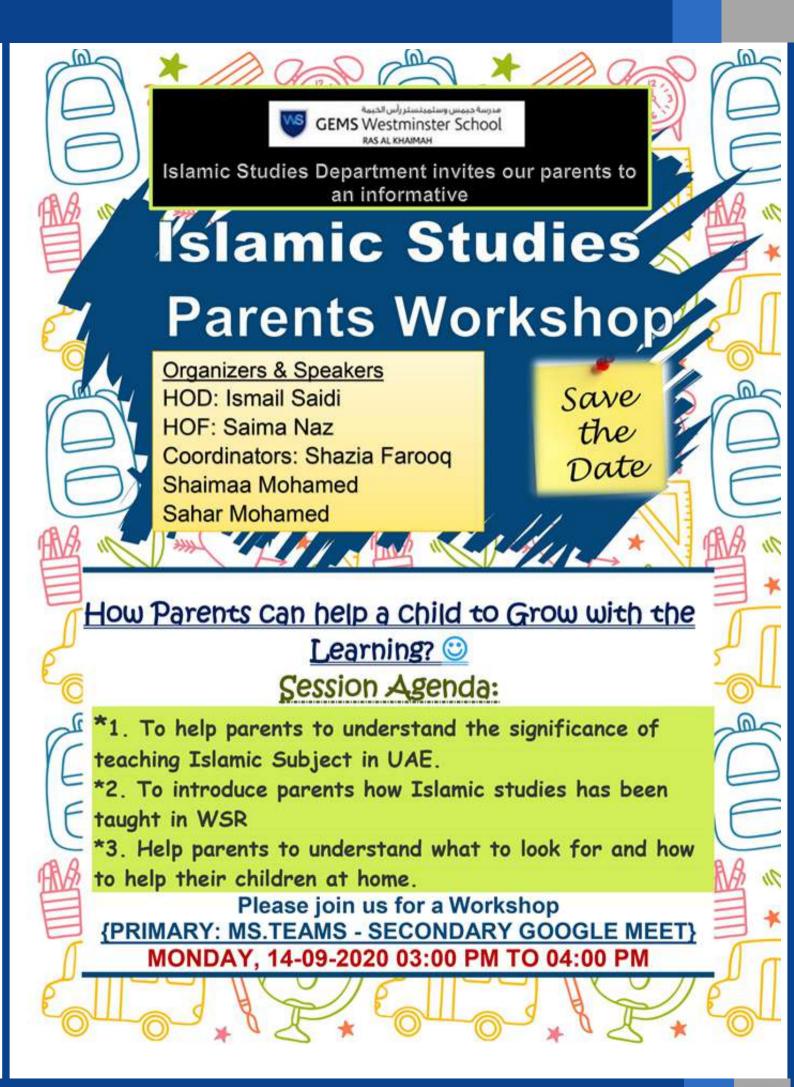
Dear Parents,

As you know, listening to our parents is a big priority for us here at GEMS WSR. Following the implementation of our new timetable, we would like to hear your feedback. Please click on the link below and complete the survey to give your feedback on our current timetable and the current 'Remote Learning' phase of our reopening. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfInczgUV2afOneHVsJVL65qjR0wipxdyv FcY0uX2h9bFco3w/viewform?usp=send_form

Have a restful evening and we look forward to seeing you all Many thanks,

WSR





Dear parents,

From next week we are able to have more students in school. To ensure we comply with COVID safety precautions, it will be a staggered approach. Please see the timetable below to see what day your child should attend school:

Sunday	Monday 14 th	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
13 th Sept	Sept	15 th Sept	16 th Sept	17 th Sept
Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 7 and 9

It is important your child only attends school on the days listed above. You child will also need to have:

- A charged device (laptop or tablet, not a phone)
- Their own set of earphones
- Two disposable masks per day
- Sanitizer
- Own stationery, notebooks etc.
- Water bottle
- Snacks/ lunch

If your child is in Grade 6 and above (aged 12 or above) they must also have a negative COVID test result. The result must be emailed to your child's form tutor. They will not be allowed to school without evidence of a negative result. While your child is in the school, they will only be allowed to be in a certain part of the school, known as their 'bubble'. It is very important that your child remains within their 'bubble' to reduce the risk of any infection being able to be spread. In order to keep students safe at the end of the day, please arrange to collect your child from Gate 6. Please discuss this with your child so that they understand this before they come into school.

We look forward to welcoming you soon, Secondary Senior Leadership Team.

Letter for parents of Grade 11 and 12

Dear parents,

In order to make the school environment as safe as possible, and to help develop the independent learning skills of our Sixth Form students, we are allowing them to attend school only when they have lessons. This means that if they have their first lesson at period 3 for example, they wouldn't need to attend school until that time. Equally, if their final lesson is period 5, they could leave school for the day once it ends. No matter what time they are to arrive at school, they must attend their registration between 7.45-8am; this can be done online in their tutor's Google Classroom.

In order to enjoy the flexible learning, they will be given a pass that they must show to security upon their arrival and departure from school. If they do not have their card, they won't be allowed to leave. If students are leaving, they must go straight to security to show their badge and leave, they mustn't congregate in the reception or anywhere else in the building. We will be unable to provide transportation for students if they choose to attend school in this more flexible way.

If you wish for your child to attend school only when they have lessons, please sign below. If you sign, you are agreeing that your child will maintain a good attendance to all lessons they are required to be at (at least 94%), and that you will provide transportation for them.

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	to attend school only for their timetabled lessons.
Signed	,
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Thank you in advance for your support, Secondary Senior Leadership Team.



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



WEBSITE REDESIGN

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• 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/forparents/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/

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



FAB GEMS Credit Card

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

Academic Year starting Sept 2020

Fee cyde	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.

0503535523 Contact: SAJIDA

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

