



# WSR IN A WEEK

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GEMS Westminster School

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## What's Happening

Week starting 29th November  
Theme of the Week  
**UAE National Day**

- Sunday 29th November
- National Day celebration
- Principal's Clinic
- Monday 23th November Parent Q & A Session with the Head of Primary
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## Message from Grade 5-6-7 Phase Leader

Dear Parents,

The Pandemic and its devastating effects have made us all realise what a huge impact science has on society. As future doctors, scientists and policy makers, it is crucial our children also to be involved in these discussions. November 10th is celebrated as World Science Day for Peace and Development that highlights the need for engaging the public, in debates on emerging scientific issues. The theme this year is one that we can all relate to and appreciate, 'Science for and with society in dealing with the global pandemic'.

At WSR, science week was celebrated with gusto where students participated in a variety of activities. The main aim of this week was to get students to think about the crisis situation and come up with short term and long term solutions as citizens of the world. We witnessed the best in creativity and out of the box thinking. Students participated in debates that were centered around the UNs sustainable development goal which are designed to be the a "blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all".

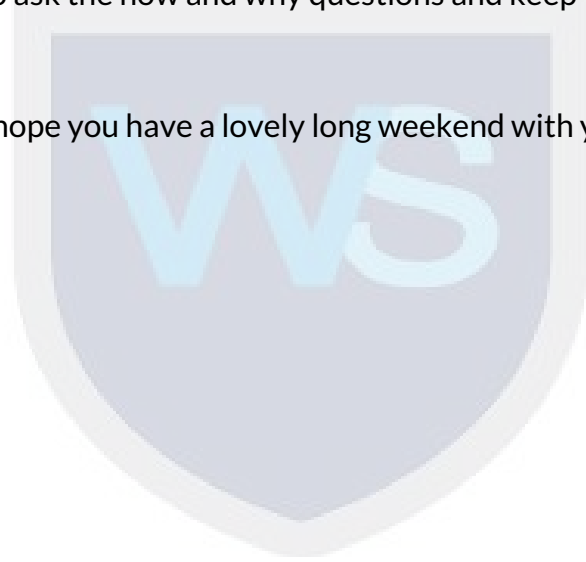


Some of the other activities required students to make posters about staying safe during the pandemic and re-modeling areas of the school to make it more eco-friendly. We also re-introduced DEAR time. DEAR stands for Drop Everything And Read where we shared age appropriate reading content with students and a questionnaire to check for understanding. Reading skills are very important to students' success in school as they allow them to access the breadth of the curriculum and improve their communication and language skills.

Children are naturally interested in science and engineering from a young age. A solid understanding of science concepts and practices can foster a lifelong love of inquiry. Science week may be over for another year, but the passion for science I saw in the eyes of students will keep me going for the next ten! As parents, always encourage your child to ask the how and why questions and keep that fire of curiosity and wonder burning always.

Have a Happy National Day. I hope you have a lovely long weekend with your friends and family. Stay safe.

Regards,  
Rhea Lawrence



# 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/primary-newsletter-week-13/home>.

To further promote reading our newsletter, we have prepared a short fun quiz that parents and children are invited to take part in. Each week, 10 questions will be presented to you about the Primary Newsletter: <https://forms.gle/nELkNTQPmm9wt26ZA>.

You will need to search through the Primary Newsletter to find the answers and complete the quiz. Each week, the children and parents with the highest score will be celebrated on the 'Scavenger Hunt' page of the Newsletter.

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 and Students,

## Kindly find below this week Secondary Newsletters :

Here are the newsletters for this week.

KS5 - <https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/ks5-newsletter-ay20-21/home>

KS4 - <https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/22nd-november-26th-november-20/home>

KS3 - <https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/22thnovember-26thnovember2020/home>





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### Secondary School—Online Parent Clinics for Term 1 -

<b>Monday 9th November</b>	<b>Secondary Literacy - All Secondary Parents</b> Ms. Chantelle Sargeant—Deputy Head Academic Literacy, First and Second Language English
<b>Monday 16th November</b>	<b>Key Stage 4 Focus—Parents of Grades 8, 9 &amp; 10</b> Key Stage 4 Team Understanding IGCSE qualifications
<b>Monday 23rd November</b>	<b>Key Stage 5 Focus—Parents of Grades 11 &amp; 12</b> Key Stage 5 Team Being successful at Advanced Level
<b>Monday 7th December</b>	<b>Secondary open questions and answers</b> Secondary Team Preparing for Term 2 and Q&A session

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**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](mailto:sde-wsr@bbt.ae)

Contact - Tel: 07-2035999 Ext: 204

Thank You.



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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.

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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 your 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*