



# WSR IN A WEEK

مدرسة جيمس وستمينستر رأس الخيمة

GEMS Westminster School

RAS AL KHAIMAH



## What's Happening

Week starting 31st January 2021

The theme of the Week

**Islamic Awareness Week**

- Sunday 31st Jan. Principal Clinic
- Monday 1st Feb. Parent Q & A Session for primary.
- Tuesday 2nd Feb. Q and A for islamic dep.
- learning Arabic for parents.
- Thursday 4th Feb. Student Welfare Clinic for parent



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### Message from The Deputy head of Secondary

Dear WSR family,

Last week was Oracy Week in Secondary school. We have made this an explicit focus as we recognise the impact that good oracy can have for the educational outcomes and general wellbeing of all of our students. Many of our students have the fabulous ability to speak more than one language- this has been proven to improve a person's brain function. We celebrate that our students have this ability and try to incorporate this in our school. We also need to ensure that they can become fluent speakers in English so that they can improve their learning in all of their subjects. We have decided to focus on oracy because we want to guarantee that all of our students can 'talk to think', meaning that they can use the process of speaking to understand the idea they have heard/learned. This can be part of a paired discussion, a class conversation or via questions and answers.



We also want students to have the vocabulary and understanding to articulate their ideas. Oracy is also important to develop critical thinking through their ability to debate and defend a particular position or point of view. Research has also shown the importance of oracy in developing the wellbeing of young people. At a time when students have experienced changes to their learning, where they may have struggled to adapt to the new world and restrictions we are faced with, and possibly had to face the consequences of a friend or family member becoming ill with COVID, it is important that they are able to communicate their emotions and share that with the adults around them.

As a consequence, you should hopefully see and hear more talking happening with your child during their lessons. Please encourage this by discussing the talking homework each week with your child, and ask them about the WOW words in each of their lessons each day. Another way you can help is to get your child to read aloud to you- this can be a fiction text or an article from a newspaper. Ask them questions to get them to demonstrate their understanding but also to justify their opinions.

We look forward to hearing more from our young people soon!

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Ms Chantelle.

Deputy head Of Secondary

# 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/primarynewsletterterm2week4/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/8mALXUyzTM7FkkwQ7>.

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 :

**KS3 -**

<https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/23rd-january-28th-january-2021/home>

**KS4 -**

<https://sites.google.com/gemswsr.net/ks4-newsletter/home>

**KS5 -**

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



## **Islamic Studies Q & A**

**قسم التربية الإسلامية سؤال و جواب**

**WSR Islamic Studies Department  
cordially welcome to all our  
Respected Parents for Islamic  
A & B Question & Answer session**

**Join us on**

**Tuesday, 02 February 2021**

**on zoom**



**Save the  
Date**

**From 02:30 PM – 03:30PM**

**Facilitators**

**Head of Department:**

**Mr. Ismail Saidi**

**Islamic Director of Learning:**

**Ms. Saima Naz**

**Pastoral Leader:**

**Ms. Shazia Farooq**

**Secondary Coordinator:**

**Ms. Shaimaa Mohammed**

**Primary Coordinator:**

**Ms. Sahar Mohammed**





## Learn Arabic with GEMS School

تعلم العربية مع مدرسة  
جيمس

**Arabic learning for parents  
on Tuesday from 3 pm: 4 pm,  
2/2/2021**

<https://zoom.us/j/92189576478?pwd=NGFaeHc0NG1XUDhONTFaMOZON3lOUT09>

Head of the Arabic Language Department

MR, Ismail Saidi

Arabic teacher: Hany Ahmed



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# STUDENT WELFARE CLINIC FOR PARENT



**WHEN**  
Fortnightly  
Thursday's  
10am - 11am

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

**WHERE**  
 **Zoom**



Hassina Muhammad  
Student Welfare Officer

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## TOPICS

### 2<sup>ND</sup> SESSION

**KEEPING SAFE ONLINE**

### 3<sup>RD</sup> SESSION

**Back to School during  
COVID TIME**

### 4<sup>TH</sup> SESSION

**STRESS OF EXAMS**

The School Counseling  
Department invites you  
to a new meeting of  
learning



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Safer Internet Day Tuesday 9th February 2021  
"Together for a better internet".

## A Digital Detox: How Social Media Affects Your mental health & Hormones



Tuesday - Date: February 09, 2021  
Timing: 2:30 pm  
Location: Zoom

Please click on the link to attend the meeting  
<https://gemseducation.zoom.us/j/83290758622>

Meeting ID: 832 9075 8622

Join our school counselors  
as we will cover a range of  
topics to support you and  
your child.



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TO HAVE  
*YOUR* SAY

HAVE YOU  
COMPLETED THE  
**PARENT  
SURVEY?**



***Check your email inbox for your personalised link***



NOW'S TIME TO  
**RE-ENROL...**



 **Enrolment for the  
Academic Year 2021-2022  
is now open for WSR.**

**Click**

<https://www.gemswestminsterschool-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](mailto:sde-wsr@bbt.ae)

Contact - Tel: 07-2035999 Ext: 204

Thank You.



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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 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/>



There are plenty of offers and savings

## 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*