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LEADERSHIP



مدرسة جيمس متروبول الواحة
GEMS Metropole School
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Parent
**ACADEMIC
CALENDAR
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ABOUT MTW



PARENT PORTAL



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Welcome to GEMS Metropole Al Waha, where our focus is on nurturing future leaders. Our motto, "**Nurturing Leadership**" highlights the importance of providing a supportive and inclusive environment for students to grow and reach their full potential.

Our **vision** is to create a sustainable and inclusive community hub that nurtures tomorrow's leaders.

Our **mission** is simple: to lead, nurture, and succeed.

Our **values** of curiosity, confidence, creativity, respect, and kindness serve as the foundation for everything we do.

***Please note events are subject to change based on external circumstances.**



AUGUST '24

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			ELL: Coffee Morning Welcome			
26	27	28	29	30	31	
1 st Day For Students: Parent induction Day Team Around the Child Meetings	House Team Day: Blue and Yellow Buses Start Running	House Team Day: Red and Green Emirati Women's Day	All Students In School			



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SEPTEMBER '24

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2 Sibling Club Begins	3	4	5	6 Meet The Leaders @9:30am Open Classroom / Book Look @10:30am	7	8  World Literacy Day
9 FS Parents Curriculum Workshop: Welcome to FS @8am	10	11	12	13  Roald Dahl Day	14	15
16 Student Leadership: Roles Released	17 Arabic A curriculum Parents Workshop Yr.1 - Yr.9 @8am Secondary Attendance & Performance Parent Webinar @4:30pm	18  Parent Teacher Meetings @3:30pm to 6:00pm	19  Parent Teacher Meetings @3:30pm to 6:00pm	20 Arabic B Curriculum Parents Workshop Yr.1 - Yr.9 @8am	21  International Day of Peace	22
23 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am	24	25 Leaders Online Q&A: Happy Meet Primary @4:30pm Secondary @5:30pm	26 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	27 National TAs Day Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Islamic Studies Curriculum Workshop Yr.1 - Yr.9 @8am	28	29
30 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am Staff PD Day (12:30pm Finish)						



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All Week Events:

- 2nd Sept - 6th Sept:
• Theme Week
- 9th Sept - 13th Sept:
• Introduction to Student Agencies & nominations
- 23rd Sept - 27th Sept
• House Event Week

OCTOBER '24

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 Yr.4 Trip 🚌	2 Parent Workshop: Curriculum Marketplace @4pm to 6pm	3 Poetry Day Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	4 World Teachers Day Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS2 Spinneys Walk	5	6
7	8 World Mental Health Day Coffee Morning @8am Student Leadership Inauguration @6pm	9 FS1 Spinneys Walk & Teddy Bears Picnic   	10 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.3 Trip 🚌	11 Pink Day (Breast Cancer Awareness Day)  World Mental Health Day: Coffee Morning @8am Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am	12	13
14 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am Secondary Parent Webinar Assessments & Reports @4:30pm	15 Yr.5 Trip 🚌	16	17 FS1:  Washing The Busses Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	18 Parent Picnic in the Forest #FamilyFirst @8am  Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.6 Big Question showcase @9:30pm Open Classroom / Book Look @10:30am	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Mid-Term Break						
28 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am Provisional Option Blocks for GCSE/ BTEC released to Parents/ Students	29 Swimming Gala Yr.1 Kahoot! @2:15pm	30 Yr.6A Class Assembly @2pm	31 Diwali  Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.4B Class Assembly @2pm			



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All Week Events:

7th Oct - 11th Oct:

- World Space Week: Space and Climate Change

14th Oct - 18th Oct:

- Book Fair
- Survey Yr.9 Students for Option Subject

• 28th Oct - 1st Nov:

- Dubai 30x30
- House Event Week

NOVEMBER '24

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3 UAE Flag Day
4 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am	5 MTW SUSTAINABILITY SHOWCASE! #FamilyFirst (Car Boot Sale)	6 Yr.6 Trip	7 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	8 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS: Supporting your child's wellbeing and PSED @8am FS2A Class Assembly @8:45am	9	10
11 Remembrance Day ELL: Parents Workshop @8am	12 Yr.8 & Yr.9 Team Building Trip	13 FS1 Trip Student Led Conferences (Primary & Yr.7) @3:30pm to 7pm	14 FS2 Trip Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Student Led Conferences (Primary + Yr.8 & Yr.9) @3:30pm to 7pm	15	16	17
18 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am	19 Yr.5A Class Assembly @2Pm Yr.2 Trip	20 World Children's Day Yr.1A Class Assembly @2pm Yr.7 Trip - Residential (20 th Nov - 22 nd Nov)	21 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.4A Class Assembly @2pm	22 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS2B Class Assembly @8:45am Yr.2A Class Assembly @10:45am	23	24
25 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am FS - Yr.1: Parents Workshop Phonics @8am Yr.9 Options Evening @5pm to 6:30pm	26 Yr.1 Trip Yr.6B Class Assembly @2pm	27 Yr.2F Class Assembly @2pm	28 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.1G Class Assembly @2pm	29 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am KS3 Subject Awards Event @10:30am Parent Meetings for GCSE/BTEC options (Inclusion Team)	30 UAE Martyrs Day	



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All Week Events:

- 4th Nov - 8th Nov:**
 - Dubai 30x30
- 11th Nov - 15th Nov:**
 - Anti-Bullying Week
 - Dubai 30x30
- 18th Nov - 22nd Nov:**
 - Dubai 30x30
- 25th Nov - 29th Nov:**
 - House Event Week

DECEMBER '24

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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	2 3 UAE National Day Holidays	4	5 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Principal's Awards Event (Autumn) @2pm 🏆	6 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS2H Class Assembly @10:45am	7	8
9 ELL: Parents Workshop @8am Yr.2 Big Question Showcase @2pm	10	11 KS3 Rewards Trip 🚌	12 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	13 Winter Jumper Day FS1 Winter Assembly @8:45am Open Classroom / Book Look @10:30am Winter Celebration Class Parties Last Day of Term 1	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Winter Break						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Winter Break						
30	31					
Winter Break						



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All Week Events:

- 9th Dec - 13th Dec:
- Inter-House Competitions - P.E Dept.
 - Reports Released

JANUARY '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
		 Winter Break				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1st Day: Spring Term		HoY 9 meetings with Parents: Course Suitability @3:30pm to 6pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.6 Transition Evening: Preparing for Yr.7 @5pm	Islamic Quiz Challenge #FamilyFirst @8am Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @10:30am		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
FS: Supporting Reading & Writing @8am Yr.4B Class Assembly @2pm Secondary Leaders Parent Webinar (Happy Meet) @4:30pm		Yr.6C Class Assembly @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.3A Class Assembly @2pm Yr.7 Trip 	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.1 Farm Lesson for Parents @8am Yr.1B Class Assembly @8:45am FS2G Class Assembly @10:45am		
Whole School Photos (13 th Jan - 15 th Jan)						
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
FS1 Trip 	Inclusion Coffee Morning @8am Yr.3B Class Assembly @2pm	Yr.3 Trip  Yr.5D Class Assembly @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.2C Class Assembly @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Secondary Parent Webinar: Pastoral @9am Yr.1F Class Assembly @10:45am		
27	28	29	30	31		
FS2 Trip 		 Chinese New Year	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.4 Big Question Showcase @2pm Yr.5 Trip 	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.2 Farm Lesson for Parents @8am FS2C Class Assembly @10am Open Classroom / Book Look @10:30am		



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All Week Events:

- 13th Jan - 17th Jan:**
 - Yr.6 to Yr.7 Transition Begins
- 20th Jan - 24th Jan:**
 - International Ski Trip (Yr.6 & Upwards)
- 27th Jan - 31st Jan:**
 - House Event Week
 - National Storytelling Week (UK)

FEBRUARY '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	
					1	2	
3	4	5	6 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Student Led Conferences (Primary & Yr.7) @3:30pm to 7pm	7 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am UAE National Sports Day	8	9	
10 Student Led Conferences (Primary + Yr.8 & Yr.9) @3:30pm to 7pm	11  Safer Internet Day	Mid-Term Break				15	16
17 Arabic Author Visit (T.B.C)	18 Yr.2 Trip  Emirati Parents' Morning Gathering with Principal #FamilyFirst @8am	19 Yr.4 Trip - Residential (19 th Feb - 20 th Feb)	20 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	21 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS2F Class Assembly @8am Hag El Leila Celebration  #FamilyFirst	22	23	
24 Yr.6 Trip 	25 Yr.1 Trip  FS Workshop: Maths in the Early Years @8am	26 MTW INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY DAY! #FamilyFirst (International Day)	27 Yr.8 & Yr.9 Trip  Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	28  Ramadan T.B.C			




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All Week Events:

- 3rd Feb - 7th Feb:**
 - Sports Day Week
- 17th Feb - 21st Feb:**
 - Emirates Literature Week
 - Dubai Civil Defense Fire Drill (T.B.C)
- 24th Feb - 28th Feb:**
 - House Event Week

MARCH '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7  Celebration: International Women's Day	8  International Women's Day	9
Ramadan						
10	11	12	13	14  Celebration: Emirati Children's Day	15  Emirati Children's Day	16
Ramadan						
17	18	19  Community Ifar (T.B.C)	20	21 Mother's Day  World Down Syndrome Day  Last Day of Term 2	22	23
Ramadan						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Spring Break / Ramadan						
Spring Break / Ramadan						



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All Week Events:

- 17th Mar - 21st Mar:
• Reports Released

APRIL '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Spring Break / EID Holiday 🌙						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Inclusion Coffee Morning: Autism Awareness Day @8am Yr.3 Big Question Showcase/ Entry Point! @2pm Secondary Leaders Parent Webinar @4:30pm			Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Principal's Awards Event (Spring) @2pm 🏆	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.2 Kahoot! @10:30am		
Yr.5 Trip - Residential (7 th Apr - 9 th Apr)						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
FS Picnic @8am 🍗 FS Transition @9am	MTW Quran Competition 📖 Yr.3 Trip 🚌		Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am KS3 Subject Awards Event @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS2D Class Assembly @9:45am Open Classroom/ Book Look @10:30am		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Yr.3C Class Assembly @2pm	Earth Day 🌍 British Values Day 🇬🇧 Yr.2D Class Assembly @2pm	World Book Day 📖	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Writing Competition: Arabic A & B Yr.4D Class Assembly @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Arabic Poetry Competition Final KS2/3 @8:15am Yr.1C Class Assembly @10:45am	📖 MTW International Quran Competition	
Yr.6 Trip - Residential (21 st Apr - 23 rd Apr)						
28	29	30				
Yr.2E Class Assembly @8am Staff PD Day (12:30pm Finish)	Yr.5C Class Assembly @2pm	Yr.1E Class Assembly @2pm				



PARENT PORTAL

All Week Events:

- 21st Apr - 25th Apr:**
 - Digital Detox Week
- 28th Apr - 2nd May:**
 - House Event Week

MAY '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
			Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Yr.3D Class Assembly @2pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.6D Class Assembly @10:45am		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			Yr.2 Trip  Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am FS: Questioning @8am FS2E Class Assembly @8:45am Fair Trade Day (10th)		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
FS1 Trip  Yr.1D Class Assembly @2pm	Yr.6E Class Assembly @2pm Student Led Conferences (Primary & Yr.7) @3:30pm to 7pm 	Yr.2B Class Assembly @2pm Student Led Conferences (Primary + Yr.8 & Yr.9) @3:30pm to 7pm 	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am International Day of Families #FamilyFirst Yr.3E Class Assembly @2pm Yr.1 Big Question Showcase @2:15pm	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.5B Class Assembly @8am Mini-Metropole @8am Islamic Science Exhibition Showcase for KS2/3 @10:30am		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
FS2 Trip 		MTW LOVES LEADERSHIP! #FamilyFirst	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Mini-Metropole @8am Arabic A Projects Research Showcase for Year 6/KS3 @10:30am		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	KS3 MSC Assembly @2pm	Yr.1 Trip 	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Sports Awards: Evening Ceremony @6pm 	Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Mini-Metropole @8am KS2 MSC Assembly @10:30am		



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All Week Events:

- 28th Apr - 2nd May:**
 - House Event Week
- 5th May - 9th May:**
 - Exams: Details to follow
- 12th May - 16th May:**
 - Exams: Details to follow
- 19th May - 23rd May:**
 - Exams: Details to follow
- 26th May - 30th May:**
 - House Event Week
 - Exams: Details to follow

JUNE '25

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2 Yr.4 Trip 	3 Inclusion Coffee Morning @8am	4 FS1 Showcase @11:30am	5  Environmental Day	6 Eid Break T.B.C 	7	8
9 Student Leadership Celebration Event @2pm	10 FS2 Graduation @1pm (FS Section T.B.C) 	11 Global Wellness Day FS2 Graduation @1pm (FS Section T.B.C) 	12 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Junior Duke Awards Ceremony @8am 	13 Mini-Metropole @8am Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am Yr.5 Big Question Showcase! @10am Open Classroom / Book Look @10:30am	14	15
16 KS3 Subject Awards Event @2pm	17 Yr.6 Moving On Up Celebration @6pm 	18 KS3 Trip 	19 National Writing Day Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Reading & Writing) @8am Principal's Awards Event (Summer) @2pm 	20 Learn Arabic: Parents Workshop (Speaking) @8am	21  Father's Day	22
23	24	25	26 ISLAMIC NEW YEAR	27  Last Day of Academic Year	28	29
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All Week Events:

- 2nd Jun - 4th Jun:**
 - Exams: Details to follow
- 16th Jun - 20th Jun:**
 - House Event Week
 - Interhouse Competitions - PE Dpt.
- 23rd Jun - 27th Jun:**
 - Reports Released



EDUCATION

We see *genius* in every child

