# **GEMS WESTMINSTER SCHOOL, SHARJAH**

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#### Message from the Principal/CEO Ms. Valerie Thompson

Dear WSS Parents,

<u>COVID Protocols</u> We would like to thank our parents & students for their

patience & support over the last two years to ensure that we comply with Authority COVID protocols to support the health & safety of our community. We are happy to share that as per the latest SPEA Circular received 21/3/22, we no longer have to wear masks outside in open areas! We do, however, have to continue to wear masks inside, so please ensure that your child continues to bring a mask to school daily. Another change is that Close Contact quarantine has reduced to three days.

**T2 Report Cards & Parent Teacher Meetings (PTM)** We aim to release T2 Report Cards by Thursday 14th April, and hold or T2 PTM on Saturday 16th April (8am-1pm) online through your child's usual TEAMS account. This is to avoid crowds & promote safety. Your child's teacher will confirm your appointment time for PTM.

#### Happy Spring Holiday & Ramadan Kareem!

We would like to thank all our dear parents for working so closely with us throughout Term 2, to support learning & wellbeing during this busy, productive & learning-rich Term! We love the teamwork!! We wish you Ramadan Kareem & a very happy, safe & relaxing Spring Break! Thank you.

### Dates for Your Diary

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Date	Details
Monday 11th April	<ul> <li>The online re-enrollment facility is now open. If you wish your child's seat to be held for September 2022, please re-enroll at the earliest.</li> <li>To re-enroll, T2 fees must be cleared in full, &amp; a non-refundable re-enrollment fee (offset against T1 fees) needs to be paid by 11/4/22, under the re-enrollment heading in your account.</li> </ul>
Mon. 28th March to Sun. 10th April	<ul> <li>School closed for Spring Break. Cashier &amp; Registration open 8am-2pm (Ramadan timings TBC)</li> <li>The re-enrollment deadline is Monday 11th <u>April 2022</u>. After this date we will assume you do not want seats for September &amp; have to give un-booked seats to the Waiting List.</li> </ul>
Sun. 10th April	• 8am-1pm; Accounts open for convenient T3 fee payment
Monday 11th April	<ul> <li>As per SPEA Circular 14/3/22, all <u>students must</u> return to F2F classes unless the absence is due to COVID (no online DL)</li> <li>We will be on Ramadan timings (TBC). Please look out <u>next week for a quick survey to complete</u> about Ramadan timings for you to choose. Thanks. Ramadan Kareem!</li> </ul>
Mon. 29th August	• First day of new Academic Year 2022-2023 T1 Fees need to be cleared in full before any stu- dent joins. Please budget accordingly as there are no T1 Payment Plans.



Our Vision; 'Excellence Through Teamwork; Success For All'

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29	أولياء أمور مدرسة جيمس ويستمينستر. الشارقة الأعزاء،	التفاصيل •مرفق إعادة التسجيل عبر الإنترنت مفتوح الآن. إذا كنت	التاريخ الانتين 11 أبريل
	بروتوكولاتCOVID نود أن نشكر أولياء الأمور والطلاب	ترغب في شغل مقعد طفلك في سبتمبر. 2022 ، فيرجى إعادة التسجيل في أقرب وقت ممكن. •لإعادة التسجيل ، يجب مسح رسوم T2بالكامل ، ويجب دفع	
	على صبر هم ودعمهم على مدار العامين الماضيين لضمان امتثالنا لبروتوكولات هيئة COVIDلدعم صد أن نشارك أنه وفقًا لآخر منشور PEA	رسوم إعادة التسجيل غير القابلة للاسترداد (عوضا عن رسوم (T1بطول 11/4/22 ، تحت عنوان إعادة التسجيل في حسابك.	
في الْحَارِّ في الْمُنَاطِقِ تمرار في أرتداء الأقنعة يواصل إحضار القناع إلى	ل 21/3/22 ، لم يعد علينا ارتداء الأقنعة المفتوحة! ومع ذلك ، يتعين علينا الاس بالداخل ، لذا يرجى التأكد من أن طفلك. المدرسة يومياً. تغيير آخر هو أن الحج الاتصال قد انخفض إلى تلاثة أيام.	المدرسة مغلقة في عطلة الربيع •الموحد النهائي لإعادة التسجيل هو الإثنين 11 أبريل 2022. بعد هذا التاريخ سنفترض أنك لا تريد مقاعد لشهر. سبتمبر. وعليك منح مفاعد غير محجوزة لقائمة الانتظار.	إلى الأحد. 10 أبريل
	بطاقات تقرير T2 واجتماعات أولياء ال	8صباحًا ۔ [ مساءً ؛ فتح الحسابات لسداد رسوم 37بشکل مريح	الأحد 10 أبريل
أبريل (8 صبلحًا ۔ 1 مساغً) TIالمعتاد لطفلك، هذا لتجنب	نهدف إلى إصدار بطاقات تقرير 22 بحا والاحتفاظ ب 20 T2 يوم السبت 16 عبر الإنترنت من خلال حساب EAMS الازدحام وتعزيز السلامة. سيؤكد مدرم DTM	وفقًا لمنشور SPEA 14/3/22 ، يجب على جميع الطلاب العودة إلى فصول F2F ما لم يكن الغياب بسبب) COVID لا يوجد(DL تعليم عن بعد ) عبر الإنترنت.	الاثنين 11 أبريل
	عطلة ربيع سعيدة ورمضان كريم!	سنكون متواجدين في توقيت رمضان ( TBCرمضان كريم!	
والر فاهية خلال هذه المدة ن نحب العمل الجماعي !!	نود أن نشكر جميع أولياء الأمور الأعز طوال الفصل الدراسي 2 ، لدعم التعلم و المشغولة والمشرة والغنية بالتعلم! نحر نتمنى لكم رمضان كريم وعطلة ربيع س لك.	اليوم الأول من العام الدراسي الجديد 2022-2023 للطلاب. •يجب تسوية رسوم T1بالكامل قبل انضمام أي طالب. يرجى وضع الميزانية وفقًا لذلك حيث لا توجد خطط دفع T1.	الائتين 29 أغسطس



رؤيتنا؛ "التميز من خلال العمل الجماعي؛ نجاح للجميع"

# WSS Recycling Superstar Champions!









You can give your child are a quality education and the values that will guide them through life

Sunny Varkey

#### Whole School News





Happy Holi to all our families who celebrate it!



Find our updated Parent Handbook through this QR code. Check-out school policies & procedures to be familiar & comfortable with our system.





The Principal Ms. Valerie & Vice Principal Mr. Andrew attended a SPEA excellence Day at the wonderful SEA Academy in Sharjah on 23/3/22 with other Sharjah British School Hub Principals & Vice Principals. Mr. Andrew presented about how we have adjusted school timings according to the new 4-day week to maximise learning time for our students. Other schools also presented on various good practices to share expertise.





FS2S1 with Ms. Sonia M.



Y5H2- Class Champion







Congratulations to this year's Sheikha Fatima Award winner Zuha Raees, who wins a year's scholarship at WSS. She achieved this award for her commitment to personal, school & community development as well as her contribution to community service. We are proud of you! The prize-giving celebration for this year & last Years' (Nourhan Arafa) prize winners will be held at Winchester Dubai School, Dubai, on 28/4/22.



Student Leader Jawad spoke to the Principal confidently about his responsibilities as a leader.



Sandeep Kumar

Aditya Adiyanil

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### WSS Digital Superstar Champions!

	<u> Y3-6 Digital Citizenship Activities Winners List – 2022</u>	<u>senship Activi</u>	ities Winners I	List - 2022
	Y3	Y4	Y5	¥6
	<ul> <li>Hiba Azhar Azhar Ali khan- Y3H1</li> <li>Mohib Fahad Zaman Qamar - Y3S2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Abdelraheem Abubakr Abdelraheem Elsiddiq- Y4H1</li> <li>Kiara Rose Belleza Wellambage – Y4D1</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Talha Nauman Nauman Ahmed- Y5H1</li> <li>Yahya Amro Hassan Elbastawesy - Y5H2</li> <li>Aditya Adiyanil - Y5H2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ashhar Hussain</li> <li>Ashajir-Y6BD</li> <li>Adn Fatemah</li> <li>Muhammad Umair Abu</li> <li>Talib- Y6GS</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Naurah Umer Umer Tahir Siddiqui -Y3S1</li> <li>Mohamed Ahmed Abdelraouf Shehata Askar - Y3H2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Syed Rayyan Haider Rizvi - Y4H1</li> <li>Muhammad Mueez Ahmad- Y4D2</li> <li>Sara Mohajir -</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Muhammad Hannan Mohammad Rafiq -Y5D1</li> <li>Youssif Ibrahim Galal Mahmoud Ibrahim -Y5 F1</li> <li>Rumeha Shakir</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Belal Mohamed Mahmoud Abdelaziz Elbaklawy-Y6BS</li> </ul>
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Blace Place	<ul> <li>Hoor Ahmed Gamal Ezzeldin Gamal- Y3F1</li> <li>Nila Haneesh - Y3F2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Aatika Asim Khan</li> <li>- Y451</li> <li>Rihan Sajan John</li> <li>- Y4F1</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Yousef Haitham Mousa Ali Mousa Elzayady-Y5H1</li> <li>Muhammad Mustafa Mughees Nasir - Y5H2</li> <li>Sandeep Kumar</li> <li>Sandeep Kumar - Y5H2</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Retal Osama Mahmoud Mohamed Mahmoud Elhakim-Y6GF</li> </ul>



Happy Birthday!

### WSS Literacy Superstar Champions!





#### Greetings,

This is a heart felt token of appreciation for you, your assistant teacher Miss Benil, Miss Eman (Arabic teacher), Mr. Jowie (ICT teacher) and for PE teacher and to all the WSS Management team, Respected Mam Valerie, Miss Shamali and Miss Raghi. Your help and guidance to our child are very much appreciated. You all are helping us raise her to become such talented, smart, and kind individual. You are making our work as parents so much easier. Thank you and we appreciate you very much!

Teachers like you are indeed the most powerful professionals in the whole world. Their work has a long-term impact on not just the lives of the children they teach but on society as a whole. They have the power to shape generations, impact minds and make the world a better place. Thank you for your contribution. We, parents, may be accountants, scientists, doctors, and engineers – but nothing contributes to the nation's development more than the scirifices made by teachers.

The biggest compliment a teacher can get is when a pupil goes home and says 'Mom I had a great day at school' Our child does that every day. It is impossible to put a price tag on the kind of education our child receives because as a teacher, your guidance is truly priceless. Thank you.

We have to thank you for inspiring our child to come out of her shell. She loves you so dearly, and she seems to think that you are made of magic. Thank you for being so good and so patient with her. We are so glad for teachers like you who really make a difference in a child's life. Allah bless you more and keep up the wonderful work!

The school may have found a teacher in you, but our child found a hero in you. Thank you to all of you for being real life super heroes of our child.

Our child is safeguarded from all of life's negative influences because School like WSs shower its love and care in tons and not just ounces. Thank you WSs for being our child's one-stop helpline and for giving our LITTLE one BIG dreams. Kashaf loves you all and her school WSS and so we are, long live WSS and stay bless all of you. Ameen













Adn Fatemah – Y6 GS – Digital citizenship Award



Thank you to Ms. Fauzia's Y2D1 students who confidently read beautiful poems to the Principal.



We got stars from Ms Valerie













Kassandra- Y6GS – Peer mentor



### Whole School News; Haq Al-Laila, 15/3/22!



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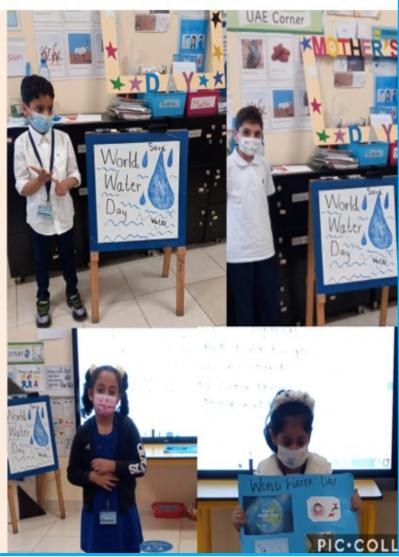


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Thank you Alia for sharing your super video on World Water Day

#### Y2H2 JAM SESSION with Ms. Aqueen

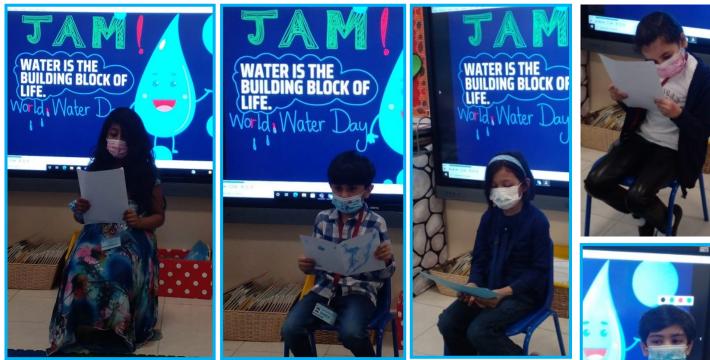




With Ms. Nikhat



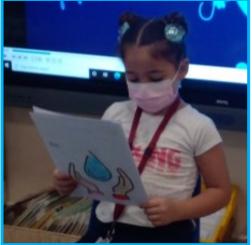




Y2D1 students shared their projects and research with classmates during their 'Just-a-Minute' (JAM) session with Ms. Fauzia.



















































































Y3F1 with Ms. Anshy





Y2F2 with Ms. Fathima & Ms. Sabiha



































With Ms. Sonia M.

FS2S2 with Ms. Kishwar







# We are celebrating mothe with our moms

yah twinning with mummy and Ms Valerie on mother's day









FS2 D1 celebrating Mother's Day

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YS H2 - MOTHER'S DAY ACTIVITY The Mom & Me Know-It-All Game: How Well Do You Know Mom?







# FS2D1 celebrating Mother's Day















Y3D2 with Ms. Lissy

#### Whole School News; School Mission Statement Review & Refresh!



It has been around 5 years since we engaged students, parents & staff in writing our school Mission statement, so we felt it was time to revisit it! We have been reflecting on:

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### Junior Section News; Learning Fun in FS2!



### **Junior Section News**













### **Primary Section News**



### Primary Section News



#### Secondary Section News; ME & Classcraft!



Hamid Abbas Y7 BH1

With Ms. Susan

