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# Developing confident life-long learners

Developing inquiring, well-informed and caring young people is at the heart of our philosophy and is underpinned by our continual evolution of the learning environment and the professional development of our teaching professionals.

At GEMS Millennium School – Sharjah we offer an enriched CBSE curriculum and one of the largest extra-curricular academies in the UAE which together provide an unrivalled opportunity for each individual student to reach their full potential.



## WORDS FROM OUR PRINCIPAL



*We will continue to realise our vision of becoming an outstanding CBSE school that provides a dynamic learning environment conducive to the discovery of our students' strengths and passions and the fulfillment of each individual's potential. Every young person will be equipped with the skills and attributes required to make a positive impact as successful leaders of the future.*

**- Teresa Varman, Principal**



**GEMS**  
EDUCATION

We see **genius** in every child

**GEMS**  
REWARDS

Making quality education **accessible**

**GEMS**  
SCHOLARSHIPS

Rewarding excellence

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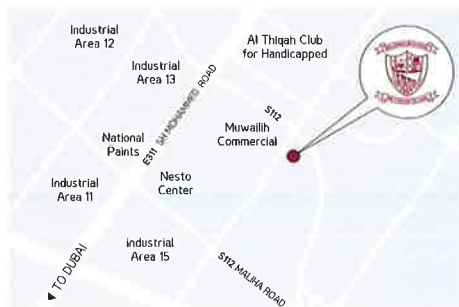
Individual versatility and personal growth is nurtured through a broad range of curricular and extracurricular activities provided at our expansive and comprehensive learning facilities.

**Main Facilities include:**

- Well-equipped science and innovation labs to nurture our young curious minds
- Astro turf playing fields, basketball courts, indoor swimming pool to encourage team spirit and fitness
- Advanced computer labs to prepare our students for a digitally enhanced future
- Multi-purpose Auditorium to promote cultural and social activities in the school
- Fully Wi-Fi school campus increasing connectivity and convenience for our students



Programme	2019/20 Annual Tuition Fees (AED)
KG 1 - 2	14,400
Grades 1 - 2	16,200
Grades 3 - 4	18,000
Grades 5 - 8	18,900
Grades 9 - 10	19,800
Grades 11 - 12	20,700



**ENROL NOW!**  
 Limited Seats Available

GEMS Millennium School, Sharjah School Zone, Muweilah, Sharjah, UAE

**THE GEMS DIFFERENCE**



**Trusted by parents around the world**

We are passionate about education and have been trusted by parents for 60 years.



**We are a family of committed teachers**

Everyday, our family of 20,000 teachers make a difference to the lives of over 190,000 students.



**Our students lead locally and internationally**

GEMS students have won over 2,100 international, regional and local awards in science, arts and sports.



**Our students excel and go to the top universities**

GEMS students have been accepted into 1,050 universities in 53 countries – including all eight Ivy League universities in the US and all 24 Russell Group universities and colleges in the UK.



**We are deeply committed to philanthropy**

Our philanthropic arm, The Varkey Foundation, supports initiatives that change lives around the world.



**Making quality education accessible**

GEMS Rewards is an exclusive rewards programme for our community of students, parents and staff designed to reduce the impact of school fees, and further enhance their lifestyle.



**We see genius in every child**

We believe that a quality education is the key to unlocking the greatness that lies in every child.



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## مدرسة جيمس ميلينيوم الخاصة GEMS Millennium School Sharjah

March 1, 2020



The warm and welcoming atmosphere, a fine heritage, excellent facilities, outstanding academic results, exceptional pastoral care and a beautiful campus – they have all played their part in helping GMS become Sharjah's most successful day boarding school. We know and value our children as individuals and the rapport between the pupils and staff in school is based on a blend of informality, trust and mutual respect, which we believe is very special to GMS.

Our changing world is filled with challenges and opportunities for young people. As a school, we look to provide a well-balanced curriculum that fully prepares our students for what lies ahead. Traditional and innovative educational methods, first-class facilities and the advantages offered by a smaller school all combine to provide a uniquely rounded learning experience for boys and girls. That rounded approach is really what sets us apart.

We are dedicated to blending academic excellence with a wealth of experiences within and beyond the classroom. Our rich and varied creative life with the enormous range of possibilities and opportunities on offer ensures that each pupil can grow and develop

wherever their interests and talents may lie. The School's achievements in music, art and drama and our outstanding reputation in sports – cricket, soccer, swimming, skating and athletics - are testament to that.


### INSIDE OUR CAMPUS IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-2021

As we prepare for the new academic year, we continue to place our students at the heart of all that we do. All children are entitled to be happy and enjoy their life in school, whether through a genuine love of learning, through building positive friendships and relationships, or through feeling a sense of wellbeing and belonging.

To this end, we have redesigned the school day to include **wellbeing activities** such as yoga, meditation, gardening and mindfulness activities.

**T-A-G Hour (Tap-A-Genius) for Grade 1 to 12** is a bespoke programme that empowers students to fully develop a sense of individuality. It enables every student to explore her/his passion and embrace their inner genius within the regular school day. Students will be assigned to clubs based on their personal interest and talent. Our 70+ clubs and activities include Sports, Music – Vocal and Instrumental, Dance, Design Technology, Digital Art, MUN, the Gavel Club, to name a few. This will be in addition to our already popular afternoon SEP activities.

We believe that a rich co-curricular life is the key ingredient to aiding character development in our students. Whilst having fun participating in a wide range of activities, without academic pressures, students can learn a new skill or extend existing skills. This in turn develops their confidence, leadership, teamwork and independent-thinking, communication skills, social development across all year groups and broadens horizons. The list of activities will change from term to term but will offer an enriching experience for every individual and represents a key part of our education "*beyond the classroom*".



The **Design Thinking Framework** applicable to students across the school will offer the opportunity to work on interdisciplinary projects cutting across Science, Technology, Reading, Art, Math and Social Studies, and connect classroom theory to solving real-world problems using diverse manipulative sets from Robotics to Engineering Design to Coding and Internet of Things (IoT).

Regular reading has been proven to increase the reader's vocabulary and ability to think, improve verbal and writing abilities, and improve performance across all subject areas. Through award-winning programmes like **Reading A-Z** in the Kindergarten and Primary and **Read Theory** in Grade 5 upwards, every student's progress in reading comprehension and fluency will be closely monitored and purposefully developed. Progress in learning is also enhanced by a system of target setting, supported by a team of mentors who ensure that every child is provided with the necessary help to achieve their potential through the **IMPACT Programme**.

The **Green Thumb Project** focuses on sustainability through outdoor activities such as gardening, organic farming, landscaping, up-cycling and even building! Students will attempt to transform an unused plot of land and turn it into a productive, valuable and ultimately appealing functional space. The activity will involve growing, building, innovation, cooking without fire, enterprise and more.

**Artificial Intelligence (AI)** is being widely recognized to be the power that will fuel the future global digital economy. It refers to the ability of machines to perform cognitive tasks like thinking, perceiving, learning, problem solving and decision making. Applications of AI include: self-driving cars, surveillance systems, robotic manufacturing, cyber security, code analysis and product recommendations. To make our students AI aware, the CBSE 'Inspire Module' will be introduced to students of Grade 8.

We are committed to strengthening our students' linguistic competencies and pride towards the Arabic language and the UAE culture. In order to achieve an excellent academic experience in Arabic, our students will have access to an online levelled programme '**I Start Arabic**' that helps non-native speakers become proficient in the Arabic language. The portal is closely aligned with the National Curriculum and contains levelled books, differentiated worksheets, flashcards and engaging videos suited to the needs of students of Grades 1 to 9. The platform offers a solid foundation for learning the basics of the Arabic language and closely monitors student progress.

We will also be offering **CBSE Arabic as a Second Language** to students of Grades 9 and 10. This is in addition to the existing Second Languages – Hindi, Malayalam and French.

Our **Career Guidance platform** for students of Grades 11 and 12 is designed to increase their awareness about diverse career paths and universities. Students will have access to an exhaustive repository that takes them beyond their limited purview of careers, and informs them about the endless career opportunities that exist in a particular field. Using a blend of sophisticated psychometrics, artificial intelligence, and analytics, students will be helped to take well-informed career decisions. Students will also receive reminders about application deadlines and entrance examination dates for their preferred courses.

The new academic year is going to be a very exciting time for the entire school community. We offer outstanding facilities to enrich our students' learning; we work and have fun together, supporting one another for all to achieve and succeed. Our teachers have been trained to consistently design and execute creative and rich learning experiences for all our students. We can proudly assert that we have moved away from the one size fits all 'mass production' mode of education to a truly personalized approach to learning.

I look forward to meeting with you to hear your thoughts and feedback on our plans for the upcoming school year. Thank you for actively engaging with the School, and for all you do to help our School grow and evolve.

