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THE EARLY YEARS CENTRE FS2

At GEMS Wellington Academy, Al Khail (WEK) located in Dubai Hills



Our specialist-trained teachers have taught both in the Foundation and Primary stages, with a sound knowledge of early childhood development and how early skills are built upon in the Primary years. Our timetables are carefully designed to include a mix of short whole-class activities, targeted group activities and extended play-based learning sessions, including daily outdoor learning, to allow for deep engagement and skill development. A range of programmes to develop key skills are included, linked to broad themes and children's interests, to ensure that the children meet the milestones at the end of the Foundation Stage journey ahead of Primary School.

Across the Early Years Foundation Stage, children work towards seventeen Early Learning Goals, which are achieved by the end of FS2. These goals cover Personal, Social and Emotional Development;

Communication and Language; Physical Development; Literacy; Mathematics; Understanding the World; and Expressive Arts and Design. These broad areas of learning support the development of 'the whole child'.

We further support this critical stage of development through:

- Storytelling to develop oral fluency and build vocabulary
- Daily synthetic phonics sessions to support early reading and spelling
- Guided reading sessions to develop fluency, vocabulary and comprehension skills
- Early descriptive writing activities to develop confidence with independent writing
- Daily Mathematics sessions developing mastery through a deep understanding of numbers and the number system

To further enrich our curriculum, we also offer additional specialist sessions led by our expert specialist teachers which include weekly Arabic, Music and Physical Education (P.E.). We also offer our FS2 children weekly swimming lessons to develop water confidence and, when each child is ready, begin to teach swimming strokes. We regularly celebrate our children's learning through a variety of performances and celebratory events in our school auditorium, including the FS graduation ceremony at the end of the school year.

The school day begins at 7:50am and finishes at 1:30pm for FS2 children. We understand that families may also need access to high-quality childcare beyond the school day. We therefore offer an exciting and engaging extended childcare programme that builds on the key skills that form the foundations of child development.



Purpose-designed FS2 provision for children aged 4-5 years old

A careful balance of play-based and adult-guided learning

Personalised learning to meet unique next steps across the curriculum

Empowering children with the values and attributes to be successful learners from a young age

High standards in literacy in mathematics to ensure children are 'big school' ready



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We see **genius**
 in every child

