

## FAMILY FIRST NEWSLETTER

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مدرسة جيمس ميلينيوم الخاصه GEMS Millennium School Sharjah















### #Family First #GMS

We wanted to express our heartfelt thanks for your support during your child's e-learning classes. Your involvement makes a world of difference. Keep up the fantastic work!

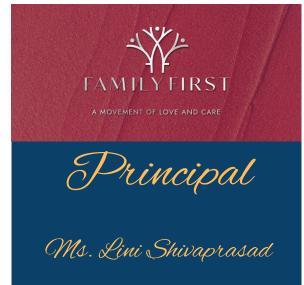
"Join us in celebrating 'Family First' initiative, where parents are not just spectators but integral partners in their children's educational journey.

At GMS, we value parental involvement and believe in nurturing a strong bond between home and school. From interactive class activities to insightful conversations with teachers, we invite parents to participate actively in every aspect of their child's learning. Together, let us champion education and put 'Family First'!"



#FamilyFirst#ParentalEngagement#Ed ucationPartnership





Family plays a central role in one's life, providing love, support, guidance, and a sense of belonging that shapes individuals' identities and experiences throughout their lives. Family members serve as teachers and mentors, providing guidance, wisdom, and life lessons that determine our values, beliefs, and goals. They play a significant role in educational attainment and personal development.

Family bridges generations, fostering connections between grandparents, parents, and children. These intergenerational relationships provide opportunities for sharing knowledge, preserving family history, and passing down cultural traditions.

Family bonds foster love and connection. These connections, built over time, create a strong foundation of love, acceptance, and belonging, which is crucial for emotional well-being and contentment.



# Vice Principal Ms. Sujatha Balasubramanian

Family is important in our lives because it provides emotional warmth, security, and a sense of belonging, which is crucial for personal development and well-being. They are instrumental in shaping our values, beliefs and behavior, offering guidance

and encouragement as we navigate life's challenges. Families boost our confidence and make us feel loved. They are the pillars of our strength who never fall, instead keeps us strong so we become better people. We learn the values of love, respect, faith, hope, care, ethics, traditions, and everything else that concerns us through our families. Hence someone rightly said, "Families are like branches on a tree, we grow in different directions yet our roots remain as one."



#### Family First Champion Ms Zeya Azmi Supervisor - Grades 3 & 4

Our family shapes our identity and helps us develop our values, beliefs, and behaviours. Families provide a sense of security and safety. They offer a stable environment where we can feel protected and cared for. Family members provide a sense of belonging and emotional support during both good times and challenging ones. They offer comfort, encouragement, and understanding at all times. Having close connections with family members can reduce stress, improve mood, and enhance

overall well-being.

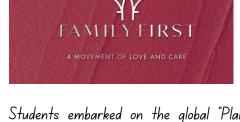
In the grand tapestry of existence, families architect the original social network. Each family is the alchemist of tradition as every member binds the symphony of roles while bridging generations, sharing experiences, blending quirks, enlightening wisdom, and nurturing compassion.

To celebrate the innovational richness of family—the ultimate cosmic adventure bound together by the gravity of shared history and the promise of future chapters yet unwritten, GMS has taken leaps forward for the Family First Initiative in April 2024!

#### Family First Student Ambassador



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Ms.Afreen Banu Asst.Supervisor-Grade 1

Students embarked on the global "Planet vs Plastic" movement, comprehending effects & exploring solutions to plastic pollution on Earth Day. GMS Parent Forum along with students participated in the beach clean-up campaign organized by Goubook at Kite Beach on UAE National Environment Day.

Meet & Greet marked tremendous strengthening in teacher-parental relationships across the school focused on students' best interests as the academic year awakens. Acts of kindness have been wonderful reminders of the positive impact our students are making in the community as they sprout environmental efforts and contribute to charity.



## Ramadan

•One of the most beautiful aspects of Ramadan is that everyone's reflections and learning during this month are unique and personal to them. We at GMS were excited to share about our special initiative: "Family First." We believe that family plays a crucial role in shaping our experiences during Ramadan, and we wanted to celebrate this cherished bond

•As part of "Family First," we invited you and your family to share your Ramadan moments with us. Whether it was a heartfelt iftar gathering, a peaceful evening of prayer, or a joyous 'suhoor' preparation, you captured these precious moments through photographs and videos and shared them with us.

Ramadan also taught us that we can simply enjoy the small things in life, as they matter the most, and to always try to be a kinder and more giving person to those less fortunate in the world. Ramadan helped us strengthen our faith and understand the importance of being compassionate towards one another. Until next time, we at GMS are all truly grateful to have experienced this beautiful month with you!

"Ramadan" is an Arabic word that means "parched thirst" and "sunbaked ground."

During Ramadan, we hope to fulfil our obligations with more diligence—until they become an integral part in our daily lives.





- # Family First The Family Meet and Greet at GMS is more than just a social gathering—it is a celebration of connections, diversity, and unity. By bringing families together in a fun and engaging environment, schools foster a sense of belonging and support that extends far beyond the classroom walls. As parents, teachers, and students depart with smiles on their faces and memories in their hearts, they carry with them the bonds forged through shared experiences and mutual respect.
- To our amazing parents who have supported us every step of the way—thank you for making our KINDERGARTEN journey unforgettable!





"In a world where you can be anything, be kind" Kindness Journey-Nurturing Hearts in KG2 at GMS <u>#GEMSEducation#familyfirst</u>



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