# KINDERGARTEN BUZZ NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2020 GEMS UNITED INDIAN SCHOOL

A note from our Principal - Mr. K. George Matthew

Dear Parents.

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We are now midstream using Online-learning portal. Teachers and students have picked up strings of Remote Learning and are steadily improvising new skill sets. Terms such as Synchronous and Asynchronous have now entered the learners' lexicon.

Our journey so far has been both challenging and exciting. Nevertheless, our resolve for pitching the best practices will be evident through our programs that cater curricular and co-curricular learning opportunities in the digital space.

GEMS Education parents who successfully applied for the COVID-19 Relief Package have to date received discounts on the current term's fees ranging from 25 per cent all the way up to 100 per cent in cases of extreme hardship. More than 26,000 students across the GEMS network are set to benefit from the financial assistance designed to support families that have been adversely impacted by the Coronavirus outbreak. Our school has dished out relief packages to 320 families so far!

We do not take arbitrary decisions regarding the relief provided. Every application is screened and we take a decision based on the circumstances of the family. It is important to note that we, as an educational provider, must also take into consideration the best interests of our teachers and non-teaching staff, several of them being parents themselves.

Our teachers and education leaders have been working tirelessly to deliver the highest quality remote learning for all our students, and we are committed to honouring our obligation to continue to pay our teaching staff in full. With the help of parent feedback, we are also continuously looking at ways to improve and refine our E-learning programmes. Our mission is to provide the best education possible during this extremely testing period – an education that assures the academic success, well-being, health and happiness of our students. I am confident that you as partners in our endeavour will support us through your unstinted co-operation.

Thank you and Stay Safe!

K George Mathew

Warm Regards

Principal/CEO

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### A note from our Vice Principal

**Dear Students and Parents** 

Here's wishing you all a peaceful and blessed month of Ramadan!

The Leadership team and teachers cannot thank you enough for all the sincere efforts you have been making to ensure the Remote Learning Program is a resounding success! We are now truly sailing smoothly in these winds of change and I thank all the teachers and leaders who have made this possible.

Staying at home can be a challenge and we all have realized this more now, than ever before. While it is in our best interest to stay home, it is also important to keep ourselves active and healthy. I request all eligible student groups to log onto the ACTIVE KIDS portal and engage with the fitness activities planned exclusively for GEMS students.

Parents who have signed up for TMG have appreciated age-appropriate stories and activities that keep children engaged and motivated. Here are some links to their current (free) digital edition for you to read out to one another at home and have fun while role-playing.

KG 1 & 2: Mekids Junior: http://tmg-worldwide.com/emagazine/aprilmkj/index.html

Grade: 1 – 3 Mekids: http://tmg-worldwide.com/emagazine/aprilmk/index.html

Grade: 4 & above - The Youngest: http://tmg-worldwide.com/emagazine/apriltyme/index.html

The e-magazine files are downloadable and printable for convenient and future use. Competition pages have the topics for the month and submission related details.

I'd like to close by encouraging all students to set weekly goals (for academics, fitness, creativity, relaxing and helping about at home) for themselves and work towards achieving them. This will keep you motivated and sharp.

Remember, even while in lockdown, you can still be kind and respectful to all around you thus keeping the flame of our UIS Jewels of Kindness & Respect burning bright!

Till next time,

Shaikh Murad Sarfraz

Vice-Principal

#### A message from our KG Supervisor.....

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Dear Parents,

Greetings! It gives me immense pleasure to share information on the success of our first month of KG - Remote learning program. It was amazing to see our tiny tots take to online learning like a fish takes to water.

The KG students adapted to the routine with ease and I have to appreciate the support from all our parents. Our students' parents have been instrumental in our success.

My team of KG teachers have reached out to all our students' parents through calls to support and guide them.

Thank you once again dear parents for partnering with us through this platform of teaching and learning.

Stay safe!

Best wishes,

Preeti Ravela

**Kindergarten Supervisor** 

Some social media links which you can check out - KG https://www.facebook.com/1094781230542561/posts/31714616562078 31/?d=n

https://www.facebook.com/1094781230542561/posts/31397329993806 97/?d=n

https://www.facebook.com/1094781230542561/posts/31327654767441 16/?d=n

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#### REMOTE LEARNING PROGRAM

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Rising above the current challenging situation as a show of triumph and resilience against the adversity, GEMS United Indian School's "Remote Learning Program", has been the best source of educating our students. With the committed and tireless efforts of our GUIS team we have been able to keep our students as active learners. Our high standards of creative teaching methodology has been enabling the students to enjoy both Scholastic and Co-scholastic learning.

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#### EARTH DAY

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GEMS United Indian School, celebrated Earth Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> April to mark its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary aimed to raise awareness to protect our planet. Our goal was to inspire and spark a passion in students and also to drive them to do their part to take care of the planet Earth. Students were taught about 3 R's (Reduce, Recycle and Reuse). Our tiny tots demonstrated their creativity on 3 R's by performing an interesting activity utilizing newspapers. They also enjoyed singing a beautiful rendition on Earth day.







put on a great effort as have put together a great effort for smooth learning of our kid Malvika as she has started attending her classes with "Remote Learning"

"Teacher and the whole team of GUIS

Mrs. Resmi (Parent of Malvika –KG2-T)

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## Parents' feedback

"Thank you teacher for your encouragement and motivation. My child is now able to identify and make sentences on her own. You are the best teacher".

> Mrs. Choudary (Parent Umaima-KG2-Q)

"Teacher, your play based learning approach is amazing!

Thank you for your hard work in supporting my daughter for her learning developments. I appreciate your patience and commitment in her Remote learning. Technically, the quality of the platform is easy to navigate and instructions are easy, and of course User-friendly."

> Mrs. Rodha Brooks (Parent of Amelia –KG2-C)

"The online classes are going on really well and Nyrah is really enjoying them. Iwould like to appreciate teacher for the time and effort she is putting in for the benefit of our kids.I really appreciate te way teacher ensure thateveryone gets a chance to participate in the discussions".

> Mrs.Nitha (Parent of Nyrah –KG2 - L)

#### Learnings' for the month of April

Numeracy: After, before and between numbers from 1-50 Literacy: Vowels and consonants of English Alphabet. CVC and 4&5 letter phonetic words. General awareness: Myself and my school,

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10<sup>th</sup>

Parts of the body and five senses.

#### **Upcoming event**

Our lovely Mommies are all smiles as our students have started singing the beautiful songs that has been a part of our music sessions for the upcoming Mother's Day. A perfect time to celebrate the magical love of a mother and making her feel special and honored for all the wonderful things that she does. Details will be sent closer to the date.

NEWSLETTER BY MS. PRAGATI & MS. DIMI

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