



# Infant Community Catch-Up

## 07 October 2022

### Important Dates

- **Monday 10th October - INSET AFTERNOON - 12.30pm finish**
- **Wednesday 12th October - Great British Picnic - Year 2**
- **Thursday 13th October - Pink Day**
- **Monday 17th October - Friday 21st - Half Term**

### Our Values for this week - Agility

This week we focused on the Value of Agility, one of our High-Performance Learning Values. Walking around school this week, I was delighted to see so many moments when our students demonstrated Agility. One example was when I spoke with a Year 4 student about their learning, and they shared how “agility helped me be a risk taker by taking a Gold Task when normally I complete a Silver task in lessons”. In school, we use Talking Corners as a strategy to help our students to resolve conflicts. Talking

Corners is another way we demonstrate our Agility by listening to others and being open to their opinion and feelings. Finally, trying new creative ways to do things is something we pride ourselves on at our school. Our Junior Duke of Edinburgh has over 260 students signed up this year! This programme is a wonderful opportunity for students to challenge themselves and provides the perfect platform to demonstrate Agility to achieve their goals.

Agility is all around us at GEMS Metropole!

*“Success today requires the agility and drive to constantly rethink, reinvigorate, react, and reinvent”* Bill Gates

### ***Signs of Success***

#### ***Congratulations, you are showing Agility when you:***

- Flexibility is being open to change. It means not always having to have your way.
- It is being open to the opinions and feelings of others.
- You are willing to change your mind.
- If something doesn't work, you try a new way.
- Agility is making changes for the better.

#### ***Acknowledging Agility sentence openers:***

- I appreciate that you listened to my feelings
- It was very kind of you to think that my ideas are good
- I like how you changed your thinking to improve our plans

#### ***Practising Agility***

- I explore different solutions to the problem
- I can be flexible with the way that I do things
- I embrace change

Next week, we will share, celebrate and demonstrate empathy with our students just before we begin our half-term break.



Dear Community,

Over the last few weeks we have been working hard as a school to ensure that all of our student's attendance means that they are giving themselves the best chances possible for learning.

I have been very proud of many of the children who have worked together in their classes to win the attendance trophies in Y1 and Y2 that have been presented in their assembly. I know there is lots of competition now to see who will win next week!

Well done everyone—keep it up!

## Key Information

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**World Mental Health Day**

**10th October**  
**Coffee Morning**

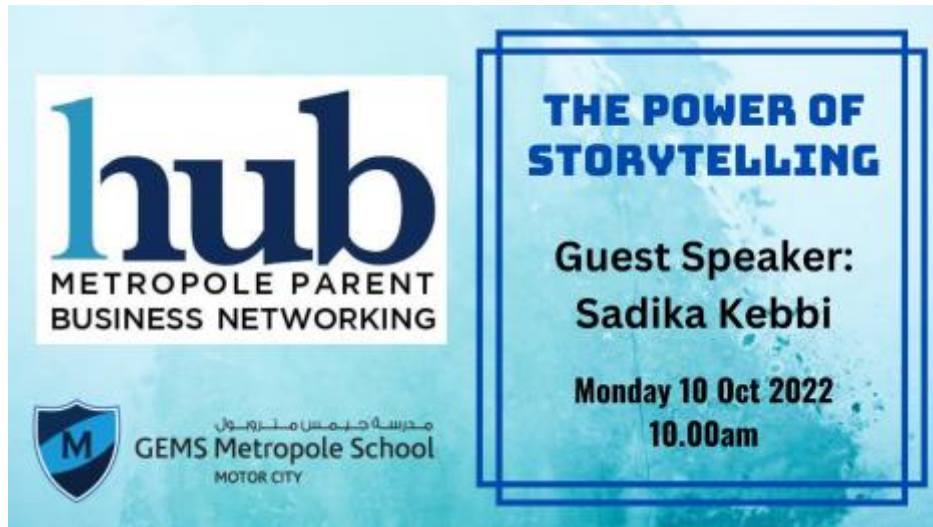
**8 a.m. School Canteen**

**Questions & Answers with Dr. Aakriti**

**Aakriti Mahindra**  
MA, MPhil Clinical Psychology  
Clinical and Educational psychologist

**DHA CDA RCI**  
**DHA-48021767-001**

**Neuropedia**  
Children's Neuroscience Center



#### MTS 1HUB

- Monday 10 October 2022
- 10.00am
- To register your interest, [PLEASE CLICK HERE](#)

# INNOVATION X

**CLICK HERE TO APPLY**

PRIMARY  
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SECONDARY  
INFO



CLICK THE LINK TO SUBMIT YOUR PRESENTATION  
AND VIDEO. PLEASE COMPLETE ALL PARTS

**PINK  
DAY  
THURSDAY  
13TH  
OCTOBER**

***Non uniform day  
5 or 10 AED donations  
WEAR IT PINK!  
Popcorn sale morning break***

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*Donate*  
**SCARVES**

### Yes, please:

- 30" or larger square; or if oblong, 17" wide
- Lightweight infinity scarves
- Turbans & caps

### No, thank you:

- Winter and knit scarves
- Hats
- Accessories like clips, belts or gloves
- Blankets

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## Governing Body of GEMS Metropole School – Vacancy

A vacancy has now arisen for ONE parent governor to serve on the Governing Body. Becoming a governor is very rewarding and worthwhile experience. Please click [here](#) to read more about the role. Please click [here](#) to read more about the nomination process and complete the nomination form.



## Happy Meet

To read the latest Happy Meet minutes please click [here](#)

## House Colour Day

Please click [here](#) to read all about our House Colour Day

## MDM – E-safety

### JTRS Support

JTRS will be in school this week to support with subscribing to the school MDM system on the following days:

**Tuesday 2:30pm**

**Wednesday 7:30am**

**Thursday 7:30am**

Thank you to all parents who have enrolled devices. We now have over 80% of students enrolled and are soon rolling out Apple Classroom to enhance the learning experiences students receive in class.

JTRS are working hard on Phase 2 of the project which include a parent app to support you in managing your child's device and an Apple account with 200GB of storage. Details of this will be released once we have all students enrolled.

### MDM Webinar

JTRS conducted a webinar on the MDM capabilities last week. The recording can be found on GEMS Connect. Please watch this should you wish to understand more about the MDM system.

### What happens if I signed up with JTRS last year but my child does not have wifi connection?

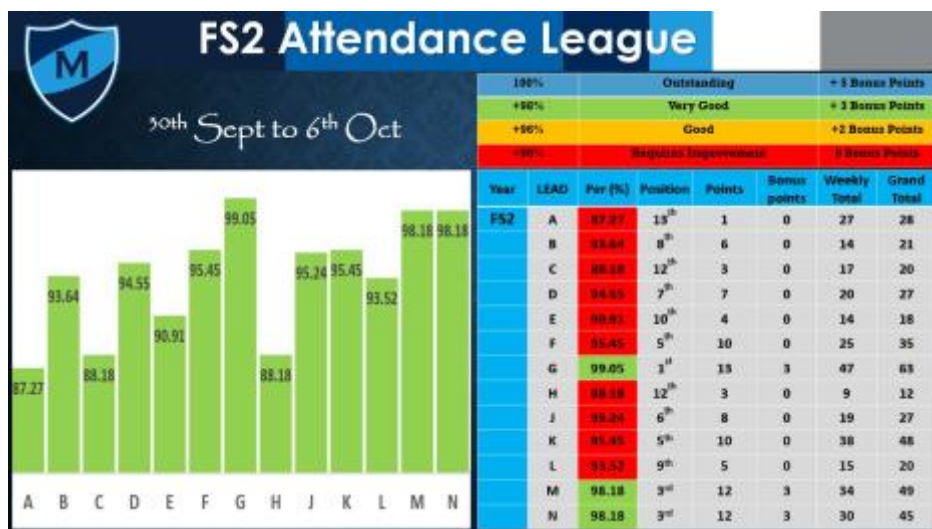
Please provide a payment receipt (can be found in emails) to the school ICT department who can support with reconnecting the device.

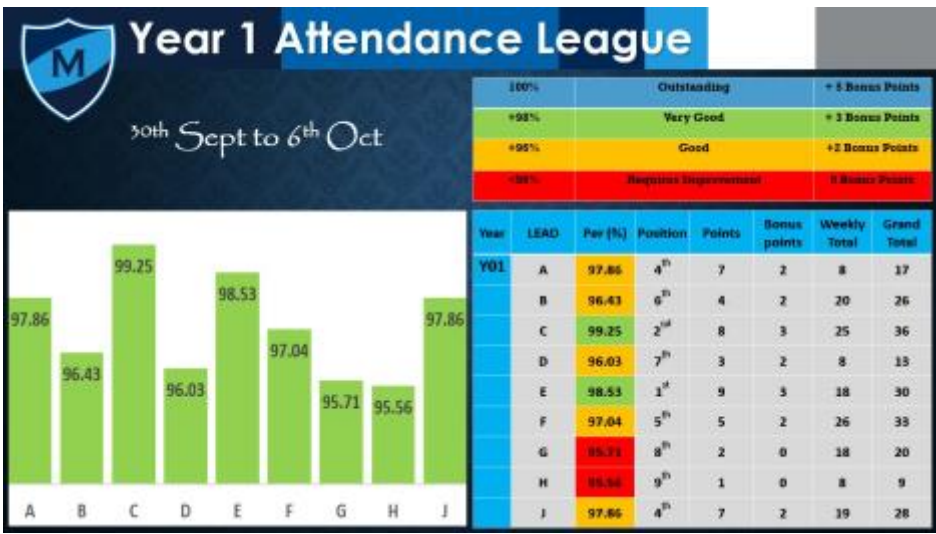
If it is a new device and you had the MDM on an old device, please visit JTRS who can transfer your license to your new device.

Please click [here](#) to read the GEMS Purchase Guide.

## Attendance Matters

Every week we will be sharing these figures with you. In assembly the children will be awarded with a cup for the highest attendance. Please remember how important attendance at school is for your child.





# ESM Extra Curricular Activity Notice

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## TERM 1

**MON - THUR:**  
 FS Timing 13:00 - 14:00  
 15:15 - 16:15  
**FRI:**  
 12:15 - 13:15

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FOOTBALL Y1 - Y6	GYMNASTICS FS1 - FS2	KUNG FU Y1 - Y6	GYMNASTICS Y1 - Y6	BASKETBALL Y1 - Y6
MULTI-SPORT FS1 & FS2 Y1 to Y4	TENNIS Y1 - Y6	BUILDITS WORKSHOP Y2 - Y7	TENNIS FS1 - FS2	BADMINTON Y1 - Y13
PARADUR Y1 - Y6	STEM TECHNOLOGY & EXPERIMENTS Y1 - Y9		JIU JITSU Y1 - Y6	BALLET Y1 - Y9
FINE ARTS Y1 to Y13			STEM ROBOTICS & CODING Y1 - Y11	DANCE FS1 & FS2

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Early Bird Special-25% off on a full week's booking  
Valid till 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022

📅 10<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Register for a full week and receive a discount of 25%. (AED675/week after discount) \*Ts & Cs apply

- Single transactions only
- No siblings discounts on early bird offers
- No discount codes needed – just register and receive our early bird offer!

Don't miss out on the fun, exciting and safe activities taking place over the half term break - places are limited!

For more information, please contact [holidaycamp@esm.ae](mailto:holidaycamp@esm.ae) or WhatsApp us on 050-3611547

#ESMHolidayCamp #HalfTermCamp #HalfTermCampDubai #DubaiHalfTerm #DubaiHolidayCamp #SchoolBreak #HolidayCamps #MultiActivityCamp

**To register, please click the link below.**

1 - [REGISTRATION LINK](#)

## Forest School

Forest school needs you! We would love to reuse unwanted household items in our new Forest school area. We are looking for sheets, cushions and kitchen equipment (pots, pans, utensils, baking trays). Please bring in and pass on to Miss Alex.

This week EYFS had their first forest school session. They learnt the forest school song and some rules. They played a fun game and listened well to the story of 'Stanley's Stick'. The children then explored the forest school area to find sticks of their own. They used their imagination to pretend their sticks were something else. We had magic wands, musical instruments and fishing rods!















## Foundation Stage 1











Foundation Stage 2



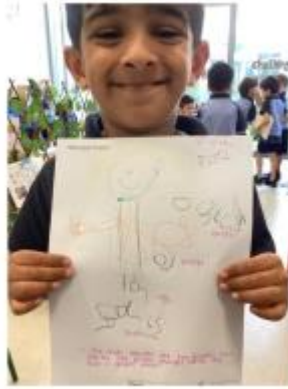


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## Year 1









## Year 2



We had lots of fun learning our number bonds in Maths!



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## Care & Support

Today (**Friday 7th October**) is **World Dyslexia Awareness Day**. Our empathetic students and staff at MTS (as we well as people around the world) have been wearing red to show their support.



If you are looking to **increase your dyslexia awareness** or need some support, please feel free to reach out to the inclusion team and you can find some great resources on the British Dyslexia Association website.

As well as these wonderful resources, this will give you **free access** to a great **course**:

<https://learn.microsoft.com/en-us/training/paths/dyslexia-training/>

Thank you for your support this year, and we look forward to continuing raising awareness each and every year.

## Jewels of Kindness





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COMPASSION

# CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

THIS CERTIFICATE IS PROUDLY PRESENTED TO

Patrick Adam Barczyk	FS1A
Serene Mohamed	FS1B
Lylia	FS1C
Mia Rose Bedoyan	FS1D
Sophia Elashaa	FS1E
Pardi	FS1H
Celine Shehatha	FS2B
Amin Shahin	FS2K
Mariia Gracias	Y2A
Sedra Elwardany	Y2E
Julia Kanaa	Y2F



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<b>Khadijah Abba Usman</b>	<b>Y1D</b>
<b>Daneen Lodhi</b>	<b>Y1E</b>
<b>Yutong Ling (Emily)</b>	<b>Y1G</b>
<b>Fatima Aljasmi</b>	<b>Y1J</b>
<b>Maryam Saad</b>	<b>Y2D</b>
<b>Hashem Mohammad Al Kayyali</b>	<b>Y2H</b>



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## High Performance Learners



### HIGH PERFORMING LEARNER OF THE WEEK

*This certificate is awarded to:*

Adam suliman Elsayed FS1A	Jude Kobbaey FS2B	Aleen Khatib Y1D	Luca Soufiar Y2A
Reina Noamani FS1B	Rashid Ibrahim FS2D	Validemar Opsann Y1E	Lorena Tomb Y2D
Kamilia Madgy FS1C	Garth Floyd FS2E	Lamar Al Halabi Y1G	Raylan Singh Y2E
Yiru wang FS1D	Yousef Elsayed FS2F	Adam ElSebaei Y1J	Dev Gautam Y2F
Ezzeldine Abde FS1E	Laila Massouti FS2G		Mynha Arshad Khan Y2H
Zachary Clarke FS1H	Salim Naiem FS2H		
	Daniilo Capasso FS2K		



## Download Links

### Curriculum Handbooks:

- [Year FS1 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Year FS2 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Year 1 Curriculum Handbook](#)
- [Year 2 Curriculum Handbook](#)

### Parent Handbook:

[DownloadDownload](#)

### Academic Calendar:

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