

This email is sent on behalf of Principal, Fatima Martin

Dear Parents,

Seema Bhatnagar, p/o Riaan, Grade 6

We are not having a break, but a breakthrough.

Sohan, Student, Grade 11 (joining us this year)

An amazing start to my academic year today @gemsnms_alkhail. It was fun filled and very interactive. Thanks to our homeroom teachers, Mr. Prasad and Mr. Steven.

Though this was our first day, it felt really professional and led me to realize that at NMS, I will receive the exposure I need. The SWOC, Ice breaker and brainstorming sessions were very mind opening for me. The school has set a benchmark for online education, as innovation and technology are core attributes to NMS. Semper Sursum

Athira, p/o Arjun, Grade 1

Arjun enjoyed his first session of remote e-learning. I would like to personally Thank & Appreciate everyone who is behind this hard work. Special thanks to Ms. Sruthi Toranagatti (Grade 1 B Homeroom Teacher) for this wonderful session.

The above statements from parents on our social media, is testament to a sure-footed start to e-learning at NMS.

It was great to attend the orientation of almost all grades and connect with you virtually parents. And now here we are, with a sail to our ship, aboard e-learning.

In the coming few days, teachers and NMS staff will touch base with you personally, for Quality Assurance of the remote learning programme.

Starting this week, you will also receive the Weekend Communiqué via email from your child's Homeroom Teacher.

I would also urge our parents to follow the school on social media (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram), to keep yourself updated on accomplishments across the school.

Reading as a habit, for comprehension, fluency and pleasure:

The emphasis on promoting reading continues at NMS.

In English, teachers use a range of reading apps, including Accelerated Reader.

In Arabic, we subscribe to Asafeer (Reading App). You will receive the log in and password to your child's account from the Arabic Teacher.

Reading Journals will be uploaded online with tasks assigned by their teachers.

From Grade 4 above, students will be referencing online news and follow up on articles, especially, with the current situation.

Community Outreach during Lockdown:

At NMS, we encourage our students to lend themselves to the wider community in every way they can. This lockdown, encourage them to reach out and make a difference in the community.

One of the websites which promotes this is: www.randomactsofkindness.org

There is a wonderful app here, BE MY EYES.

This app allows sighted volunteers to read to the visually impaired.

Simple gestures like making those telephone calls to your loved ones back home, grandparents maybe, sending notes of love and appreciation or designing a website to spread awareness and plenty of such initiatives lie awaiting for our students.

Do encourage them to be the Agents of Change.

Towards this, I wish you all the very best.
Stay safe, stay blessed.

Kind Regards,

Fatima Martin
Principal

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