

GLS/C/1130-25

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INTRODUCTION OF ARABIC, SECOND LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC EDUCATION IN GRADE 1

Dear Parents,

As we prepare for the upcoming academic year 2026–27, we would like to inform you about the languages and subjects that will be introduced from Grade 1 onwards.

- In accordance with UAE Ministry guidelines, **Arabic will be a mandatory subject for all students.**
- **In addition to Arabic, your child will also study a Second Language** of your choice. To help us plan and organize classes efficiently, we request you to select your child's Second Language from the options listed below. Please note that the Second Language chosen will remain unchanged until your child appears for the Board Examination at the end of Grade 10, so we encourage you to make this decision thoughtfully. The Second Language options available at GLS for the academic year 2026–27 are: Hindi, Malayalam, Tamil, Urdu, and French.
- Furthermore, **Islamic Education will be compulsory for all Muslim students as per Ministry requirements.**

You will receive the hard copy of the acknowledgment slip given on the next page. We request you to update it and send it to the class teacher by the 26th of November.

Please weigh the pros and cons carefully before selecting the second language. Kindly refrain from requesting any changes to the selected language after submitting the acknowledgment slip. The Grade 1 section allotment for the upcoming academic year will be based on the choice of the second language. Hence, we strongly encourage you to finalize your decision at this stage, as requests for changes after allocation cannot be accommodated.

Your thoughtful cooperation will ensure a smooth and well-planned start to the new academic year. We thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,



Asha Alexander أشا ألكسندر
Principal مديرة المدرسة

Executive Leader - Climate Change الرئيس التنفيذي - تغير المناخ

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SLIP

Name of the child: Class: Sec:

Our choice for the Second Language options offered in the school: (Please tick only one language)

Hindi ☐ Malayalam ☐ French ☐ Tamil ☐ Urdu ☐

Islamic Studies ☐ (Mandatory for all Muslim students. Kindly tick, if applicable)

Name of the Parent:

Email: Mobile: Signature:.....