

GLS / C / 479-22

CIRCULAR

12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Circular to Parents - Onsite Learning from 17th January, 2022**

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Dear Parent,

Further to the circular GLS / C / 476-22 dated 7th January 2022, we are happy to inform you that the Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA) has approved face-to-face Learning for GEMS Legacy School from Monday, 17th January, 2022. We expect all our students to return to face-to-face learning from 17th January, with the exception of those who are tested COVID positive or those who are primary contacts. Students who are experiencing Covid-like symptoms may remain at home until the symptoms no longer exist up to a maximum of three days. If symptoms persist, the students should take a PCR test and the results should be shared with the school in order to safeguard the health of all those on campus.

**The three instances when we will be permitted to offer e-learning as per the KHDA guidelines are outlined below:**

1. **Tested positive for Covid:** Students who have tested positive for Covid-19 must complete 10 days of home quarantine. They must produce a clearance certificate authorized by the Dubai Health Authority before returning to school physically. Distance learning options will be provided during the quarantine period.
2. **Close Contacts:** Students identified as primary contacts by the school's health and safety officer must quarantine for 7 days. During this period they can attend classes virtually. A PCR test is not required for close contacts to return to school unless they develop Covid symptoms.
3. **Those with Covid-like Symptoms:** Students who experience any Covid-like symptoms must remain at home and not attend face-to-face school. They can return to school once they no longer show the Covid-like symptoms, within a maximum period of three days. Distance learning option will be provided during this period. A PCR test will be required before they return to school for face-to-face learning for their own safety and the safety of others attending school.

Please note that all safety protocols mandated by the DHA and KHDA will be adhered to. The safety of our students, staff and the parent community is our prime priority.

We will keep you updated of any further developments as the week proceeds.

We have had a challenging start with the dawn of the new year, but with your utmost cooperation and vigilant support, we will overcome this together and ensure that our students' learning is not compromised.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Looking forward to welcome all our students and staff on 17<sup>th</sup> January for onsite learning.

**Warm regards,**



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**Principal**

**Executive Leader - Climate Change**

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