

## Important update on new work week schedule

Dear Parents,

We welcome our dear school community into the new year 2022, with a lot of positive thoughts and wishing each one of you the best days ahead in school. We value your positive energy and dedication to excellence in education and look forward to working with you and your children.

As you may well have read, the KHDA has announced a new work week for Dubai schools starting on Monday (3 January 22). Based on the feedback received from the parent survey conducted and in coordination with KHDA kindly note the revision done for the new work week from 3 January 22.

Schedule (Mon to Thu)	Morning shift (all phases )	Afternoon shift (all phases)
Start time	7:30a.m.	1:00 p.m.
End time	1:00 p.m.	6:15 p.m.
Number of periods	7	7
Buses depart	1:00 p.m	6:15 p.m.

Schedule (Friday)	Morning shift (Phase 1 to 3 ) (KG 1 to Grade 8)
Start time	7:30a.m.
End time	11:45p.m.
Number of periods	7
Buses depart	12:00 noon

**The Friday Schedule for Phase 4 (Grades 9 to 12) will be intimated after we receive information from KHDA.**

### Grade-wise dispersal plan for students using Own Transport/walking to school

**Phase 1:** Own transport students of KG 1 & 2 will be dispersed at 11:30a.m. Students must be picked from school between 11:30a.m. to 11:45p.m.

**Phase 2/3:** Own transport students of grades 1 to 8 will be dispersed at 12:50p.m.

**Phase 4:** Own transport students of grades 9 to 12 will be dispersed at 1:00 p.m.

**Adults who will be visiting school to pick their child must carry the vaccination card and the ID that was provided from school. Kindly note parents will not be allowed inside the school campus during dispersal for Grades 1 to 5.**

**Kindly note:**

- Students travelling by Own Transport/walking to school are required to be in school latest by 7:25 a.m. · For students using own transport, parents must make sure that they drop their wards between 7:15 – 7:25 a.m.
- Own transport students of afternoon shift should reach school only by 12:45pm
- Please note that no staff are available for supervision of children before 7:15 a.m. in school.
- All students from Grades 1 to 5 walking to and from school must be accompanied by the parent/guardian.
- The revised timetable and portion paper for PT will be shared soon.

Although other regulators in the UAE have announced full distance learning for the first two weeks of the new semester, we emphasize that this does not apply to Dubai private schools. In-class lessons will continue as in the previous semester, so all our students are expected to be back in school from Monday unless you have a valid reason for non-attendance.

However, the following measures have been introduced by the regulator for the first two weeks of the new term:

- No extracurricular activities of any kind
- Our canteen will be shut
- There will be no common break times or assemblies.
- No school trips

Wishing you all a very fruitful year ahead and we will together work for the betterment of our student community.

Regards,  
Gulf Model School

