



DUBAI GEM ACADEMIC YEAR CALENDAR

2017-2018

Term 1- 2017

Staff return	Tuesday 5th September 2017
Staff Professional Development (1)	Wednesday, 6th September & Thursday, 7th September 2017
Orientation: New students and parents: Foundation– Year 9 - (8.00-9.00 am) AS/A Level - (9.00-11.00 am)	Thursday 7th September 2017
School reopens for all students	Sunday 10th September 2017
Students Orientation: Year 1 & 3 (8:00-9:00 am) Year 7 (9:30-10:30 am)	Sunday 10th September 2017
Islamic New Year*	Thursday, 21st September 2017
Coffee Morning	Saturday, 30th September 2017
Mid-Term Break / Diwali Holiday	Thursday 19th October 2017
Open Day 1 (Whole school) - By appointment only- Buses leave at 12:00 noon Timings: 12:30- 4:00 pm	Thursday, 26 th October 2017
Staff Professional Development (2)- Non instructional day	Sunday, 5 th November 2017
Public holidays to mark the birthday of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), Martyrdom Day and UAE National Day	Thursday, November 30 until Sunday, December 3, both days inclusive.
First Term Examinations. (Year 4 – Year 11)	Monday 4 th –Thursday 14th December 2017
End of Term	Thursday, 14 th December 2017
Winter break : Sunday 17th December 2017-Thursday 4th January 2018- School reopens on Sunday 7th January 2018	

Term 2 – 2018

Term starts	Sunday 7 th January 2018
Staff Professional Development (3) - Non instructional day	Tuesday, 16th January 2018
Open Day 2 Reports: By appointment only- Buses leave at 12:00 noon Timings: 12:30- 4:00 pm	Thurs. 18th January 2018.
StarNite Film Awards (Secondary)	Friday, 26 th January 2018
Grade 11 Mock Examinations	Sunday, 25th February 2018-21 st March 2018
Staff Professional Development (4)- Non instructional day	Thursday, 1 st March 2018
Carnival (10.00- 4.00 pm)	Saturday, 17 th March 2018
Post Carnival Holiday	Sunday, 18 th March 2018
End of Term (12:00)	Thursday, 22nd March 2018
<u>Spring break</u> : Sunday 25th March- Thursday 5th April 2018. School reopens on Sunday 8th April 2018	

Term 3-2018

Term Starts	Sunday 8th April
AS/A Level Mock Examinations	Sunday 8th April - Wednesday 18 th April
IGCSE French Board Examination Orals	Monday 9th April
IGCSE Art & Design Board Examination	Tuesday 10th April –Thursday 12th April
Year 11 Exam Meeting & Class Photograph	Sunday 15th April , 8:00 am
Class Photograph – Primary	Sunday 15 th April /Monday 16th April
AS level French Board Examination Orals)	Monday 16th April
Class Photograph – Secondary & Foundation stage	Tuesday 17th April and Wednesday 18th April
IGCSE ICT Practical Board Examination	Tuesday 17th April and Thursday 19th April, 7:30 onwards
Options Morning	Sunday 22nd April, 8:00 am
A S & A level Art and Design Board Examination	Monday 23rd April- Thursday 26th April
PISA (Yr 10,11)	Tuesday 24 th April & Wednesday 25 th April
AS & A Level Class Photograph	Tuesday 24th April
Graduation (Class of 2018)	Thursday, 26th April
Swimming Gala practice	Sunday 29 th April & Monday 30 th April
Swimming Gala Boys	Tuesday 1st May
Swimming Gala Girls	Wednesday 2 nd May & Thursday 3rd May
AS & A level IT Practical Board Examination	Tuesday 1 May & Thursday 3rd May
IGCSE, AS & A level Board Examination	Wednesday 2nd May-Monday 25th June
Entrance Tests	Saturday 5 th May (TBC)
GL Assessments (Primary)	Tuesday 1st May– Sunday 13th May
GL Assessments (Secondary)	Sunday 6 th May-Thursday 10 th May

Ramadan starts	16th May (TBC). Ramadan Timings as per the Ministry regulations Ramadan timings will continue for Students till end of term
Final Examinations (Yr 4-10)	Sunday 27th May – Monday 11th June
GL Assessments- FS2	Sunday 3 rd June – Monday 11th June
Eid Al Fitr	Thursday 14 th June-Monday 18 th June (TBC)
Graduation - FS2	Tuesday 19 th June (TBC)
Graduation- Year 6	Thursday 21 st June
Annual Prize Day	Sunday 24th June (TBC)
Report Day	Sunday 24th June (TBC)
Last day for Students/All Staff/Maintenance staff	Thursday, 28th June 2018

Third term: Last day for Students: Thursday, 28th June 2018

***Actual dates to be confirmed - do not book these holidays until confirmed as they depend on moon sightings and / or state announcements which are subject to change.**