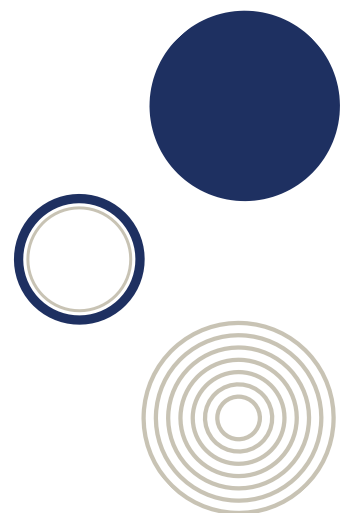


# PRE CONNECT





DEAR PARENTS, STUDENTS,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE WESGREEN COMMUNITY,

IT IS WITH GREAT EXCITEMENT AND OPTIMISM THAT I WELCOME YOU TO THE START OF A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR AT GEMS WESGREEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL.

AS WE OPEN OUR DOORS FOR 2026-27, WE DO SO FROM A POSITION OF TREMENDOUS STRENGTH. THE PAST YEAR WAS ANOTHER LANDMARK CHAPTER IN OUR SCHOOL'S JOURNEY. OUR STUDENTS ACHIEVED EXCEPTIONAL GCSE AND A LEVEL RESULTS, CONTINUING A SUSTAINED PATTERN OF OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC SUCCESS THAT PLACES WESGREEN AMONGST THE HIGHEST-PERFORMING AND MOST INCLUSIVE SCHOOLS IN THE REGION. THESE ACHIEVEMENTS REFLECT THE DEDICATION, RESILIENCE, AND AMBITION OF OUR STUDENTS, THE EXPERTISE AND COMMITMENT OF OUR STAFF, AND THE UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF OUR PARENTS.

AS WE BEGIN THE 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR, THERE IS MUCH TO BE EXCITED ABOUT. ALONGSIDE ANOTHER YEAR OF ACADEMIC AMBITION AND EXCELLENCE, WE ARE DELIGHTED TO UNVEIL OUR NEW DESIGN TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING LABORATORIES, TOGETHER WITH OUR NEW FOOD TECHNOLOGY SUITES. THESE STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN OUR STUDENTS' FUTURE, PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO INNOVATE, DESIGN, CREATE, AND SOLVE REAL-WORLD PROBLEMS. THEY WILL PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN EQUIPPING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THE SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, AND CONFIDENCE THEY NEED TO THRIVE IN AN INCREASINGLY DYNAMIC, TECHNOLOGICAL, AND INTERCONNECTED WORLD.

WHILE WE ARE IMMENSELY PROUD OF OUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS, WE REMAIN EQUALLY COMMITTED TO THE VALUES THAT MAKE WESGREEN SUCH A SPECIAL PLACE. WE BELIEVE THAT EVERY CHILD DESERVES TO FEEL KNOWN, VALUED, CHALLENGED, AND SUPPORTED. OUR FOCUS ON INCLUSION, WELLBEING, SAFEGUARDING, AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT ENSURES THAT STUDENTS THRIVE NOT ONLY ACADEMICALLY BUT ALSO AS CONFIDENT, COMPASSIONATE, AND RESPONSIBLE YOUNG PEOPLE.

**TODAY. TOMORROW. TOGETHER.**

THIS YEAR WE WILL CONTINUE TO BUILD ON THE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS MADE ACROSS ALL AREAS OF SCHOOL LIFE. FROM OUTSTANDING TEACHING AND LEARNING TO INNOVATIVE CURRICULUM PATHWAYS, FROM LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TO STUDENT ENRICHMENT, OUR AMBITION REMAINS CLEAR: TO PROVIDE EVERY CHILD WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION AND THE VERY BEST PREPARATION FOR THEIR FUTURE.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME NEW STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND COLLEAGUES INTO OUR COMMUNITY. TO THOSE JOINING WESGREEN FOR THE FIRST TIME, YOU ARE BECOMING PART OF A SCHOOL THAT IS DEFINED BY HIGH EXPECTATIONS, STRONG RELATIONSHIPS, AND A GENUINE COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE. TO OUR RETURNING FAMILIES, THANK YOU FOR THE TRUST YOU CONTINUE TO PLACE IN US. YOUR PARTNERSHIP IS FUNDAMENTAL TO OUR SUCCESS, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AHEAD.

TO OUR STUDENTS, I ENCOURAGE YOU TO EMBRACE EVERY OPPORTUNITY THAT COMES YOUR WAY. BE CURIOUS, BE AMBITIOUS, BE RESILIENT, AND ABOVE ALL, BE KIND. CHALLENGE YOURSELVES TO ACHIEVE MORE THAN YOU THOUGHT POSSIBLE, SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER, AND MAKE THE MOST OF THE MANY OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO YOU. THE HABITS, ATTITUDES, AND CHOICES YOU MAKE EACH DAY WILL SHAPE YOUR FUTURE.

AS A COMMUNITY, WE HAVE ACHIEVED A GREAT DEAL TOGETHER OVER RECENT YEARS, BUT OUR JOURNEY IS FAR FROM COMPLETE. EXCELLENCE IS NOT A DESTINATION; IT IS A CONTINUOUS PURSUIT OF IMPROVEMENT. WE BEGIN THIS ACADEMIC YEAR WITH CONFIDENCE, DETERMINATION, AND EXCITEMENT FOR WHAT LIES AHEAD.

THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF THE WESGREEN FAMILY. I WISH ALL OUR STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FAMILIES A HAPPY, SUCCESSFUL, AND INSPIRING YEAR AHEAD.

WARM REGARDS,

JAMES MCDONALD  
PRINCIPAL / CEO  
GEMS WESGREEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



WELCOME BACK, WGP PRIMARY FAMILIES. WHETHER YOU'RE RETURNING OR JOINING US FOR THE FIRST TIME, WE ARE BEYOND EXCITED TO HAVE OUR CORRIDORS BUZZING AGAIN AND OUR CLASSROOMS FILLED WITH PURPOSEFUL LEARNING.

OUR EARLY YEARS STUDENTS WILL SOON BE OFF ON NEW ADVENTURES OF EXPLORATION, AND WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HOW OUR KS2 LEARNERS CONTINUE TO GROW INTO THE CONFIDENT, THOUGHTFUL LEADERS THEY ARE BECOMING.

THIS YEAR IS ALREADY SHAPING UP TO BE A BUSY AND JOYFUL ONE — COFFEE MORNINGS FOR PARENTS ARE BEING ARRANGED, AND OUR STUDENTS HAVE A FULL CALENDAR OF TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS AHEAD.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU BACK NEXT WEEK. PLEASE DO TAKE A MOMENT TO CHECK THE RETURN SCHEDULE FOR TIMINGS AND DROP-OFF LOCATIONS SO THE FIRST MORNING RUNS SMOOTHLY.

KIND REGARDS,  
MRS. JILLIAN REILLY  
EXECUTIVE HEAD OF PRIMARY



AS WE BEGIN ANOTHER EXCITING ACADEMIC YEAR, I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME BACK TO ALL OUR SECONDARY PARENTS AND STUDENTS. WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME OUR NEW HEAD OF BOYS, MR PHIL WILSON, WHO BRINGS OVER 15 YEARS OF SENIOR LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE FROM A RANGE OF HIGH-PERFORMING SCHOOLS IN LONDON. HIS EXPERTISE AND COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS WILL BE A TREMENDOUS ASSET TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.

OVER THE COMING WEEKS, THERE WILL BE A NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS TO MEET OUR HEADS OF YEAR AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENT THROUGH A SERIES OF PLANNED COFFEE MORNINGS. THESE INFORMAL SESSIONS WILL PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE YEAR AHEAD, ASK QUESTIONS, AND STRENGTHEN OUR PARTNERSHIP IN SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR REQUIRE ANY ASSISTANCE, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO GET IN TOUCH. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH YOU AND WISH ALL OUR STUDENTS A SUCCESSFUL AND REWARDING YEAR AHEAD.

KIND REGARDS,  
MR. ANDREW SPENCER  
EXECUTIVE HEAD OF SECONDARY SCHOOL

**WELCOME BACK TO A NEW  
ACADEMIC YEAR!**



DEAR WESGREEN FAMILIES,

WELCOME BACK TO A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR AT GEMS WESGREEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL!

WE HOPE YOU HAD A WONDERFUL SUMMER AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO ANOTHER EXCITING YEAR WITH US. THE SCHOOL HAS BEEN BUSY GETTING EVERYTHING READY, AND WE ARE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES BACK TO CAMPUS.

AS WE BEGIN THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR, WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO A YEAR FILLED WITH LEARNING, NEW EXPERIENCES, EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AND MANY MOMENTS TO CELEBRATE TOGETHER.

IN THIS EDITION OF PRE-CONNECT, WE'VE INCLUDED SOME IMPORTANT UPDATES, KEY INFORMATION AND REMINDERS TO HELP YOU AND YOUR FAMILY GET OFF TO A SMOOTH START.

THANK YOU, AS ALWAYS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP. WE LOOK FORWARD TO A FANTASTIC YEAR AHEAD!

WELCOME BACK, WESGREEN FAMILIES!

WARM REGARDS,  
PARENT RELATIONS TEAM  
GEMS WESGREEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

## GEMS Wesgreen International School: student return schedule.

Welcome back GEMS Wesgreen International School students!

### EYFS and Primary

| EYFS and Pupil Return Dates |                                                 |                                                        |                                                          |                                            |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                             | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup><br>August 2026          | Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup><br>September 2026              | Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>September 2026              | Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>September 2026 |
| FS1                         | FS1 join 8.00-10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i> | FS1 join 8.00-10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i>        | 8.00 - 10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i>                 | 8.00 - 10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i>   |
| FS2                         | No School Day                                   | New students in 8.00-10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i> | All students in 8.00 - 10.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i> | 7.30-13.00<br><i>*No bus this week</i>     |
| Year 1                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-14.50 all students                                | 7.30-14.50 all students                                  | 7.30-14.50 all students                    |
| Year 2                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-15.00 all students                                | 7.30-15.00 all students                                  | 7.30-15.00 all students                    |
| Year 3                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-15.00 all students                                | 7.30-15.00 all students                                  | 7.30-15.00 all students                    |
| Year 4                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-15.00 all students                                | 7.30-15.00 all students                                  | 7.30-15.00 all students                    |
| Year 5                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-15.00 all students                                | 7.30-15.00 all students                                  | 7.30-15.00 all students                    |
| Year 6                      | New Students in 7.30-10.00                      | 7.30-15.00 all students                                | 7.30-15.00 all students                                  | 7.30-15.00 all students                    |

### Secondary

| Secondary Pupil Return Dates |                                        |                                           |                                             |                                            |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                              | Monday 31 <sup>st</sup><br>August 2026 | Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup><br>September 2026 | Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup><br>September 2026 | Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>September 2026 |
| Year 7                       | No School Day                          | 7.30-15.10                                | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 8                       | No School Day                          | No School Day                             | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 9                       | No School Day                          | No School Day                             | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 10                      | No School Day                          | No School Day                             | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 11                      | No School Day                          | No School Day                             | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 12                      | 7.30-15.10                             | 7.30-15.10                                | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |
| Year 13                      | No School Day                          | 7.30-15.10                                | 7.30-15.10                                  | 7.30-15.10                                 |

### IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

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#### **CHROMEBOOK REQUIREMENTS – YEARS 3–13**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE REQUIRED CHROMEBOOKS FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 3–13 WAS SHARED WITH PARENTS THIS WEEK.

IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW IT YET, PLEASE REFER TO THE EMAIL AND THE ATTACHED FAQ FOR DETAILS ON THE CHROMEBOOK REQUIREMENTS, AVAILABLE OPTIONS AND HOW TO ACCESS THE PURCHASE PORTAL.

#### **PARENT PARKING STICKERS – AY 2026–27**

ALL FAMILIES ARE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A VALID 2026–27 PARENT PARKING STICKER FOR VEHICLES ACCESSING THE SCHOOL CAMPUS.

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET APPLIED, PLEASE REFER TO THE EMAIL SHARED THIS WEEK FOR THE APPLICATION LINK AND FULL DETAILS. NEW STICKERS CAN BE COLLECTED FROM 31 AUGUST 2026 ONWARDS DURING DROP-OFF OR PICK-UP TIMES.

#### **EHS STUDENT HEALTH REGISTRATION**

PARENTS ARE REMINDED TO COMPLETE THE MANDATORY EHS HEALTH REGISTRATION FOR THEIR CHILD THROUGH THE EHS PORTAL.

PLEASE REFER TO THE EMAIL SHARED THIS WEEK FOR THE REGISTRATION LINK AND FULL DETAILS. ONLY STUDENTS WITH A COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED HEALTH FORM WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES, FIELD TRIPS AND VACCINATION PROGRAMMES.

WE KINDLY ENCOURAGE ALL PARENTS TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

#### **SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDER**

AS WE PREPARE TO WELCOME STUDENTS BACK FOR THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR, PARENTS ARE REMINDED TO ENSURE THAT STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL IN THE CORRECT SCHOOL AND PE UNIFORM.

PLEASE REFER TO THE EMAIL SHARED THIS WEEK FOR FULL DETAILS ABOUT THE SCHOOL UNIFORM AND THE AUTHORISED UNIFORM PROVIDER, THREADS.



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WISHING ALL OUR FAMILIES A WONDERFUL  
YEAR AHEAD!