



Dear Parents,

I hope you and your families are well and continuing to stay safe.

GEMS Cambridge International School, Dubai (CIS) has been faithfully serving its community of students, parents and staff since we opened 37 years ago.

In order to facilitate the very best in learning environments for the students of CIS, we have been working over the summer to find an alternative campus that meets our safety and facility requirements. Today, I am writing to share with you details of an exciting new stage of our school's development.

Effective September 2020, GEMS Cambridge International School will relocate to a campus located in AI Twar (<u>location map</u>), the new site offers significantly enhanced facilities, and allow us to continue to enhance the 37-year legacy of CIS.

Our new campus in Al Twar already boasts a dedicated Early Years Foundation School (EYFS) learning area with a large indoor free-flow learning space and self-contained washrooms in all classrooms. All classrooms across all phases of the building are much larger – 50 square metres compared to the 30 square metres at our current Garhoud site. There are two indoor swimming pools, an indoor sports hall with four badminton courts, air-conditioned corridors and an indoor canteen area. In addition, there is an auditorium with a seating capacity of 800 and learning spaces for the development of performing arts.

We will do everything to ensure the upcoming transition is smooth and seamless – with an emphasis on meeting the highest health and safety standards set out by the authorities.

I also understand that some families may wish to explore other school options, in which case we are on hand to assist you in making these choices – please call 04 282 4646 to speak to a member of our parent relations team or email our Registrar, Ms. Elizabeth Varghese at Elizabeth.V CIS@gemsedu.com.

Any families who choose to transfer will be eligible for a refund in accordance with KHDA guidelines.

The entire team at GEMS Cambridge International School is looking forward to welcoming you to our new campus in September. Great things lie in store for our school and I very much hope that you will join us on this journey. Regards.

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Yours sincerely,

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