

GWA PARENTS WEEKLY

Week of Feb 10 – 16



Your Weekly Lower and Upper Schools Communication

What parents need to know about this week @ GWA

ALL SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Tickets are on sale! Pre-sold tickets are 50 dhs, tickets sold at the door with be 75 dhs.

You can buy tickets in front of the cafeteria and at the High School entrance in the mornings as well as after school on Fridays and Wednesdays.

The character trait for February is “Cooperation”

SCHOOL NOTICES & EVENTS

Save the date

Feb 12 - 16 [Green Council Middle School Water Bottle Rush Week](#)

Feb 13 [Valentine's Day Celebrations- \(Preschool & Kindergarten\)](#)

Feb 14 - 16 [Musical: Peter Pan Jr.](#)

Feb 17 - 18 [Speech & Debate Tournament in Sofia, Bulgaria](#)

Feb 19 [Better Together World Cafe Meeting @ 8:00am in the LMTC](#)

Please visit our [Master Calendar](#) or [Facebook](#) to see more events and updates! (ctrl, click on 'Master Calendar')

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ALL SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

GWA IS NOW ACCEPTING 2018-2019 APPLICATIONS FOR ALL GRADES

First Testing Date: February 14, 2018
**MUST REGISTER WITH THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE
BEFORE FEBRUARY 9**

Additional testing dates and registration deadlines:

TEST DATE	REGISTER BY...
March 24	March 16
April 18	April 11
May 12	May 4
June 23	June 15
June 25	June 18



- SPACE IS LIMITED -

For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at admissions@gwa.ac.ma by phone at 05.22.95.30.34, or in person.

INSCRIPTIONS 2018-2019 OUVERTES POUR TOUS LES NIVEAUX

Première session d'évaluations le 14 février 2018
**INSCRIPTION OBLIGATOIRE AUPRES DU SERVICE DES ADMISSIONS
AVANT LE 9 FEVRIER**



Autres dates disponibles pour les sessions d'évaluations
et dates limites d'inscription :

JOURNEES D'EVALUATIONS	INSCRIPTIONS AVANT LE ...
24 mars	16 mars
18 avril	11 avril
12 mai	4 mai
23 juin	15 juin
25 juin	18 juin

- PLACES LIMITEES -

Pour plus d'informations, veuillez contacter le Service des Admissions, en ligne à admissions@gwa.ac.ma, par téléphone au 05.22.95.30.34, ou sur place.



ALL SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nurse:

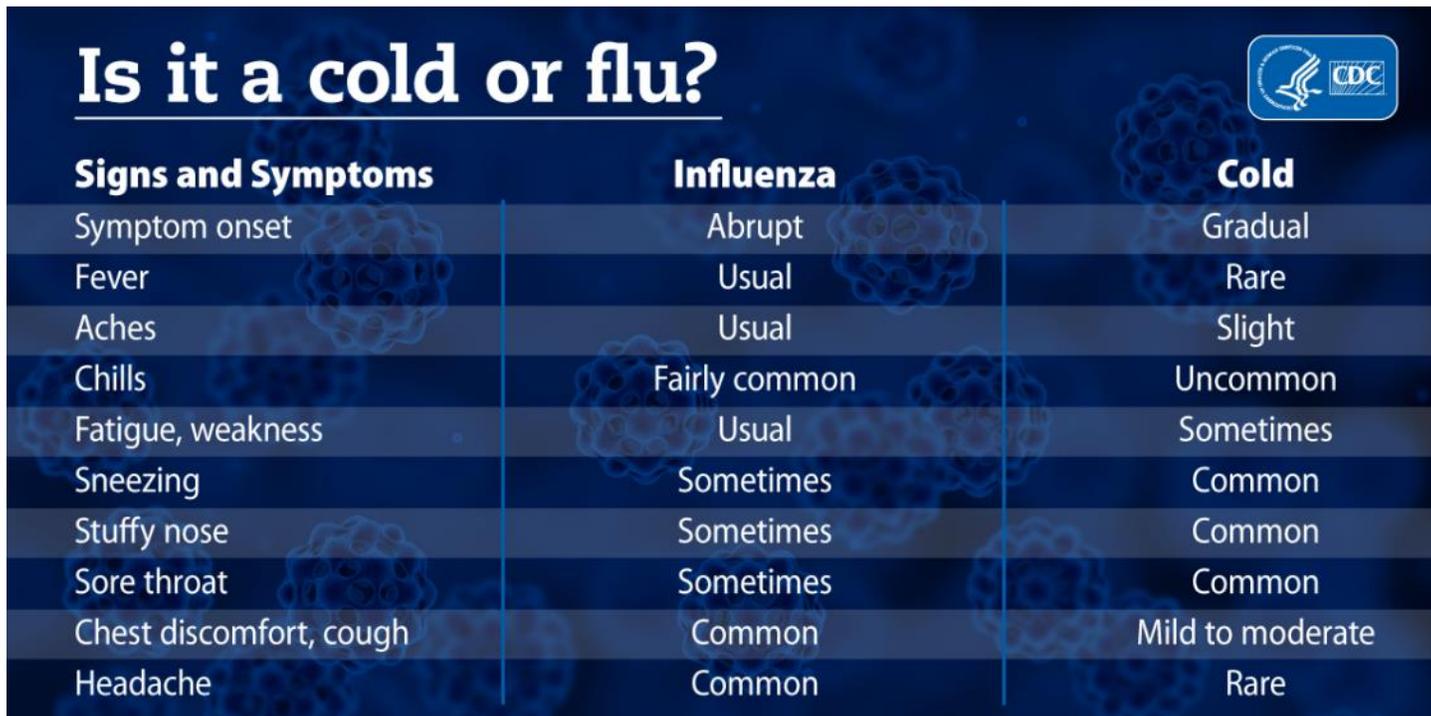
As the winter months continue please be informed about [the difference](#) between a common cold and influenza.

GWA campus has over 1,000 students and staff present every day and we need to do our part to keep each other healthy!

[What should you do if someone gets sick?](#)

“Most people with the flu have mild illness and do not need medical care or antiviral drugs. If you get sick with flu symptoms, in most cases, **you should stay home and avoid contact with other people** except to get medical care.”

Please note that antibiotics are not effective against treating influenza. Antiviral medication may be used at the discretion of a doctor.



Is it a cold or flu?



Signs and Symptoms	Influenza	Cold
Symptom onset	Abrupt	Gradual
Fever	Usual	Rare
Aches	Usual	Slight
Chills	Fairly common	Uncommon
Fatigue, weakness	Usual	Sometimes
Sneezing	Sometimes	Common
Stuffy nose	Sometimes	Common
Sore throat	Sometimes	Common
Chest discomfort, cough	Common	Mild to moderate
Headache	Common	Rare

For a healthy GWA,
Hannah Hair RN, BSN

LOWER SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This month's character trait is COOPERATION. Ms. Edwards shared a powerful illustration with our Kindergarten through fifth grade students at a recent Character Assembly and I wanted to share it with you as well.

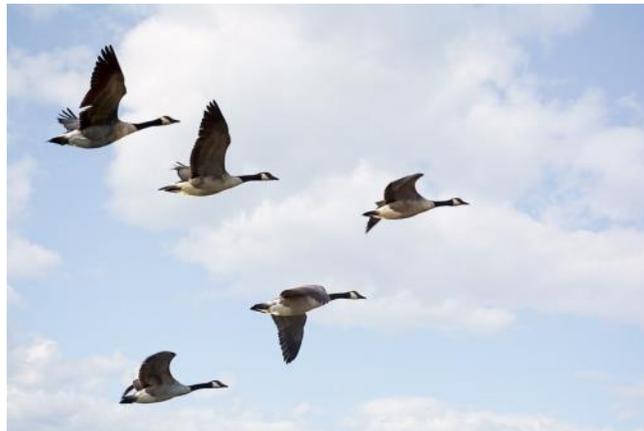
As geese flap their wings, they create an uplift for the bird following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds 71% greater flying range than if any bird were to fly alone. Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to fly alone, and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front. When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back into formation and another goose flies at the point position. The geese in formation honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. When a goose gets sick or wounded or is shot down two geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help and protect it. They stay with it until it is able to fly again or dies. They then launch out on their own, with another formation or catch up with the flock.

What lessons can we learn about cooperation from geese?

- Together we are stronger.
- We should encourage each other.
- We all need help from time to time and should stand by our friends during difficulties.
- COOPERATION is critically important!

Bon weekend,

Kevin Brenner
Lower School Principal



Announcements:

Dear Preschool and Kinder Parents,

In celebration of Valentine's Day, February 13, we encourage children to come wearing red, white, pink, or purple.

Happy Valentine's Day!



LOWER SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements:

- While we are still experiencing colder temperatures, be sure your children wear layers with the outer layer being a GWA jacket. Also, please be sure your child's name is inside the jacket.
- Parents, please always check in at reception for your parent badge if coming to school after 8:15am and before 3:00. From there they will direct you to the lower school office where our coordinators will assist you. No parents should be going to classrooms during the school day unless previous arrangements have been made.
- February 14 is a conference day and you will receive an invitation if your child's teacher would like to meet with you. This conference day is for Kindergarten to upper school.



- Please encourage your child to read at home. All of our teachers have a structure for promoting reading at home (in all languages). It is important that students have an opportunity to read to you and to have you read to them!



- If your child is sick or you anticipate a planned absent please email or message the teacher and/or call the office or stop by so we can guide you through the appropriate procedure.

UPPER SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

US Teacher Profile:

This week the Upper School would like to highlight Ms. Megan Walls. As a six-year veteran of GWA, Ms. Walls has been a significant force in the development of the Performing Arts program at GWA. We have attended performances each year and have been delighted to see the growth displayed by the young performers at GWA. This year GWA students under the direction of Ms. Walls and Ms. Hibbard will be performing Peter Pan. If you have not yet seen a musical performance put on by our GWA students next week is a great opportunity.

Past musical performances have been Annie, Aladdin, Oliver, Beauty and the Beast, and Alice In Wonderland.

Overall Ms. Walls brings an infectious level of joy and enthusiasm to her work. We are proud to work with a remarkable educator like Ms. Walls!



Upcoming Upper School Events:

February 14-16: Peter Pan Musical

February 17: Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Tournament at CAS



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Upcoming events in the Upper School:

February 8-15: The Green Council is organizing their first annual Bottle Rush. The challenge is centered around helping Middle School Students take action, learn about the importance of water conservation as well as the importance of developing sustainable water conservation habits. In addition, the Middle School students will be learning about the importance of reducing plastic waste. Winning the Bottle Rush Challenge will consist of gathering the largest amount of empty plastic bottles per grade level. These bottles could be of all types (I.E Sidi Ali, Sidi Hrazem, Ain Saiss, Bahia etc...) and from all sources (I.E Campus, Home, Shops etc...) . At the end of the week, the winning Grade's efforts will be recognized and they will be awarded with a Pizza Party and the Green Council Grade of the Month award.



**MAG VALENTINE'S
CHARITY
BAKE SALE**

HAPPY
Valentine's
Day

Feb. 13th,
2018

 **MUSTANGS**
Mustang Athletic Council

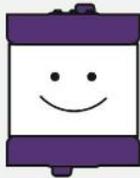
Starts at 3:00 pm

**100 % of the proceeds will be gifted to Cancer survivors in our
own GWA community**



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SPACE**

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WEDNESDAYS
7-WEEK SESSION | **3:30 TO 4:45 PM**
GRADES 3-8



PAPER CRAFTS EN FRANCAIS



SNACK ART



**FOR
PRE KINDER
& KINDER**

We say it is OK to play with your food. Come imagine, create, and EAT your artwork with your friends. Kids will also learn why choosing healthy snacks is important for their bodies.

TUESDAYS IN ASA

Mondays
Pre Kinder & Kinder

Come Paint with Me

Learn and Play in ASA



We paint with brushes, we paint with our hands, we paint with our feet, we paint with straws, we paint with sponges, we paint with cars, we paint with leaves, we paint with bubbles, we paint with yarn, we paint with LEGOs, we paint with balloons, we paint with shaving cream, we paint with pom poms, we paint with feathers, we paint with forks, we paint with.....

ASA@GWA



**After-school
programs**



SEEK, FIND & SOLVE

Join us on a scientific journey as we seek answers, find evidence and solve problems in this engaging and hands-on enrichment program! Learn about Bugs and insects, volcanoes and rocks and see if you can solve a crime of your own! Investigate simple machines, mechanics and the role that they play in our everyday lives. Identify the structures of atoms, molecules and more!



Bugs!
Earthworks
Detective Science
Mad Machines

Science of Toys
Movie Effects
Walloping Weather
Kitchen Chemistry



Class Day: THURSDAYS

Class Times: 15H30-16H30

Dates: Starting THURSDAY 1st

Grades: 1st & 2nd

Registration open @ ASA's office.

**CRAZY
CHEMWORKS**

**Mad
SCIENCE**

**Register
Today!**



Enter the world of chemistry! Make gooey slime, discover what makes reactions go, learn to use the tools that chemists use. Watch bubbling potions pop their tops! Turn cool colors with temperature and pH changes and see what makes things glow in the dark. Polymers and catalysts are just two of the fascinating concepts our young Mad Scientists explore in this thrilling trip through the world of the chemistry lab!

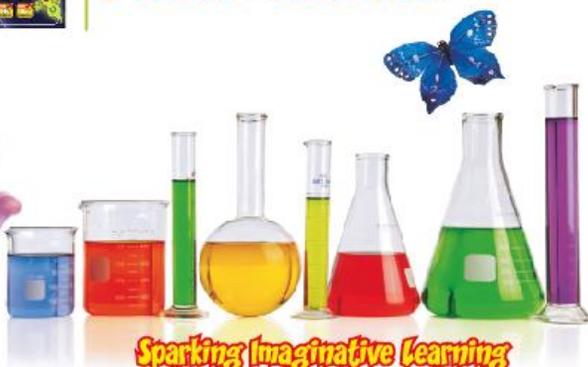


WHO: 3RD- 5TH GRADERS

WHEN: TUESDAYS

TIME: 3H30 TO 4H30

8 WEEKS SESSION.



Sparking Imaginative Learning

LUNCH MENU GRADES NURSERY – KINDER

Menu for grades Nursery/Kinder FEB/2018				
MONDAY/12	TUESDAY/13	WEDNESDAY/14	THURSDAY/15	FRIDAY/16
*Squash soup *Spaghetti pasta w/ bolognese sauce *Steamed string beans and carrots *Yogurt *Seasonal fruit	*Split pea soup *Chicken tagine w/ preserved lemon&olives *Sautéed green peas,carrots &artichokes *Strawberries shortcake *Seasonal fruit	NO CLASSES	*Lentils&carrots soup *Cheeseburger *Roasted Potatoes *Steamed vegetables *Seasonal fruit *Cream Brule	*Moroccan salad *Couscous with chicken *Squash,carrots,zucchini,chick peas, sweet onions and raisins *Seasonal fruit *Macaron
*Soupe de Citrouille *Spaghetti bolognaise *Haricots verts et carottes a la vapeur *Yaourt *Fruit de saison	*Soupe de petits pois *Tajine de poulet avec citron confit et olives *Légumes sautées *Fraises shortcake *Fruit de saison	NO CLASSES	*Soupe de lentilles et carottes *Cheeseburger *Pomme de terre cuites au four *Légumes a lavapeur *Fruit de saison *Crème brulée	*Salade Marocaine *Couscous de poulet *Carottes, courgettes, pois chiches, citrouilles, oignon et raisin *Macaron *Fruit de saison

LUNCH MENU GRADES 1-12

Menu for Grades 1-12 FEB/2018				
MONDAY/12	TUESDAY/13	WEDNESDAY/14	THURSDAY/15	FRIDAY/16
*Squash soup *Spaghetti pasta w/ bolognese sauce *Chicken parmesan *steamed string beans and carrots *Yogurt *Seasonal fruit	*Split pea soup *Chicken tagine w/ preserved lemon&olives *Lamb tagine w/ Plums *Sautéed green peas, carrots &artichokes *Strawberries shortcake *Seasonal fruit	NO CLASSES	*Lentils&carrots soup *Chicken shish taouk *Beef shawarma *Hummus baba ghanouch *Steamed vegetables *Seasonal fruit *Cream Brule	*Moroccan salad *Couscous with beef *Couscous with chicken *Squash,carrots,zucchini,chick peas, sweet onions and raisins *Seasonal fruit *Macaron
*Soupe de Citrouille *Spaghetti bolognaise sauce *Filet de poulet /parmesan *Haricots verts et carottes a la vapeur *Yaourt *Fruit de saison	*Soupe de petits pois *Tajine de poulet avec citron confit et olives *Tajine d'agneau avec prunes *Légumes sautées *Fraises shortcake *Fruit de saison	NO CLASSES	*Soupe de lentilles et carottes *Poulet shish taouk *Shawarma viande *Hummus baba ghanouch Légumes cuits a la vapeur *Fruit de saison *Crème brulée	*Salade Marocaine *Couscous de poulet *Couscous de boeuf *Carottes, courgettes, pois chiches, citrouilles, oignon et raisin *Macaron *Fruit de saison