

**GEMS**مدرسة جيمس البرشاء الوطنية
Al Barsha National School

STUDENT CALENDAR

SCHOOL TERM & HOLIDAY DATES ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026

TERM 1

Term 1 Begins	Monday 25 August 2025
First Day of Term – New Students Only	Monday 25 – Tuesday 26 August 2025
First Day of Term – All Students	Wednesday 27 August 2025
Prophet's Birthday	*Thursday 4 September 2025
Staff Professional Development Day	Monday 22 September 2025
Half Term Holiday	Monday 13 – Friday 17 October 2025
Return to School	Monday 20 October 2025
Staff Professional Development Day	Monday 17 November 2025
National Day (Public Holiday)	*Tues 2 & Wed 3 December 2025
End of Term 1 Break	Mon 8 Dec 2025 – Fri 2 Jan 2026
New Year's Day	Thursday 1 January 2026

TERM 2

Ramadan Starts/Ends*	*Mon 16 February – Wed 18 March 2026
Back to School/Term 2 Starts	Monday 5 January 2026
Staff Professional Development Day	Monday 2 February 2026
End of Term 2 Break	Monday 16 – Friday 27 March 2026
Eid Al Fitr (Public Holiday)	*Thu 19 – Fri 20 March 2026

TERM 3

Back to School/Term 3 Starts	Monday 30 March 2026
Arafat Day (Public Holiday)	*Tuesday 26 May 2026
Eid Al Adha (Public Holiday)	*Wednesday 27 – Friday 29 May 2026
Return to School	Monday 8 June 2026
Islamic New Year	Monday 16 June 2026
Last Day for Students and Teachers	Friday 3 July 2026

*(dates to be confirmed by UAE Ministry/KHDA at a later date) Some Islamic dates are subject to the visibility of the new moon and may therefore vary slightly from published dates. GEMS Al Barsha National School reserves the right to alter any dates as required for the benefit of the school.