



**GEMS**  
American Academy  
QATAR



# THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION PRE-K & KG1

Our Early Years (EY) program gives every child the best possible foundation for students to learn at their own pace and stimulate their comprehensive growth. We follow a play-based Creative Curriculum which focuses on 5 different areas of learning that are equally essential for children's development within a learning environment that is evenly supportive and engaging.



## The prime areas of learning

- ◆ Thematic-based units of learning
- ◆ Student-centered approach
- ◆ Inquiry-based learning
- ◆ Experiential learning opportunities
- ◆ Purposeful, play-based interactions with the environment
- ◆ Experienced teachers and resourceful teaching assistants facilitate learning, as play partners, through play and interest-guided activities
- ◆ An emphasis on fostering positive relationships and the prosocial behaviours of cooperation, empathy, helping and sharing to boost social-emotional competence
- ◆ A focus on developing self-regulation skills, supporting memory development and cultivating a differentiated instructional approach for children at various academic and behavioral levels
- ◆ Confidence-building foundational concepts of literacy, numeracy, science, social studies, arts and technology in preparation for KG2's full educational day

## The specific areas of learning

- ◆ Literacy
- ◆ Mathematics
- ◆ Music, Arts and PE/Gym Classes
- ◆ Arabic and Islamic Classes (starting in KG1)
- ◆ Understanding the World
- ◆ Additional specialist classes including Music, Art, PE/Gym and Arabic and Islamic (KG1) taught by highly-qualified expert teachers
- ◆ A shared approach to learning through a variety of performances and celebratory events in front of parents and the school community
- ◆ Well-resourced learning environments linked to children's interests and primed for exploration through a rich diversity of materials such as blocks, paint, books, snap cubes, musical instruments, dance spaces and visually stimulating and ever-changing classrooms

## Our purpose-designed Early Years provision

- ◆ Play-based indoor and outdoor areas designed to support the EY curriculum
- ◆ Tailored learning opportunities based on children's interests for understanding and immersion of the physical environment
- ◆ Progressive skill-building and curiosity promotion in exciting, creative ways to achieve high standards
- ◆ Constructive, purposeful play igniting deep and joyful learning scenarios

**Our early years curriculum nurtures independence, curiosity, character development and social skills which lay the foundation for future success.**

Our school timings for EY children starts at 7.30am and ends as early as 12.30pm. If an EY student has an older sibling or cannot be dismissed on-time, we offer nap time until 2.15pm (Sunday – Wednesday). On Thursdays, the latest dismissal time is 1.30pm.



Limited Seats Available  
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