

International Benchmark Tests for Improving Learning, 2016

SIS/STC/038/2016 – 17

September 5, 2016

Dear Parent,

You will be pleased to learn that our school has been invited to participate compulsorily in **International Benchmark Tests for Improving Learning, 2016**. The Australian Council for Educational Research, one of the leading research organizations in the world, develops this test and provides a range of Assessment services in many countries. The **International Benchmark Tests** will be held on the following dates:

Monday	21 November 2016	English	Grades 4 to 6
Tuesday	22 November 2016	Mathematics	Grades 4 to 6
Wednesday	23 November 2016	Science	Grades 4 to 6

Entry Fee for three subjects is AED 65/-.

The **International Benchmark Test** are designed to give an international benchmark of your child's performance vis-à-vis the participating countries in the world and in the region. **Students** will be able to see their intrinsic abilities and potential for learning, identifying their strengths and weaknesses on skills and concepts related to their class level and helps clarify concepts, making them very valuable as a remedial instrument. Questions are interesting and thought provoking, and encourage students to develop the skills related to problem solving, reasoning and critical thinking in the global context.

The International Benchmark Tests (IBT) provide students with:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A comprehensive assessment of student performance and ability; ✓ High quality test items that engage students across all ability levels; ✓ Individual reports that highlight skills, strengths and weaknesses; ✓ Reports that include a clear description of skills & concepts that have been mastered; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A <u>Scale score</u> to measure their progress over time; ✓ Student(s) and schools with high quality feedback that can be used to improve learning; ✓ School, regional and international percentiles to compare and benchmark student performance; ✓ Recognition of student performance |
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Please complete the acknowledgement slip and have this returned to the Class Teacher, along with the required fees, to enable the school to enroll your child for **IBT 2016**.

Entries close on Thursday, September 22, 2016

Prof. M. Abubaker
Principal

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SLIP

Name of student: _____ Grade: _____ Section: _____

Subjects: 1) ENGLISH 2) MATHEMATICS 3) SCIENCE

Entry Fee: Total Amount **AED: 65/-** Signature of Parent: _____

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