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For the students of Grade 3 to 10 only

Dear Parent,

Greetings from Sharjah Indian School Juwaiza,

The International Benchmark Tests are designed to measure skills and concepts underlying the core subjects and build on higher-order thinking skills associated with these domains. The Tests provide comprehensive feedback in the form of electronic individual student report and school reports that highlight performance in local, regional and international contexts.

Please be informed that the following International Benchmark Assessments are mandatory as per the directives of Sharjah Private Education Authority (SPEA) and they are aligned with the federal framework for school improvement and review.

1. ASSETS (Assessment of Scholastic Skills through Educational Testing) for the students of Grade 3 to 9

ASSET evaluates a student's level of understanding by asking unfamiliar and thought-provoking questions that assess the student's basic understanding of concepts. This prevents a system of rote learning and encourages students to understand topics in depth.

2. CAT4 (Cognitive Abilities Test) for the students of Grade 3 to 9

CAT4 provides an understanding of what a child is capable of and identifies the potential to achieve more and those who need support in certain subjects. These insights help students to personalise their learning and unlock their hidden potential.

3. CARES (Comprehensive Assessment, Reports and Evaluation for Schools) for the students of Grade 3 to 10

CARES emphasizes on transforming assessment for optimizing learning and development of all students with a focus on the following features of Assessment:

- Regular, formative and competency based.
- Promoting learning and development of students.
- Tests higher-order skills (analysis, critical thinking and conceptual clarity etc.)

Along with the above tests, the students will appear for age appropriate international benchmarking assessments such as PISA, TIMSS and PIRLS as per the directives of Sharjah Private Education Authority (SPEA) which are administered free of cost. The time frame of these tests will be in accordance with the schedule decided by the regulatory authorities.

Fees for International Benchmarking Assessments 2024:

Grade	Amount / student	Remarks
3 to 9	AED 200/-	To be paid in two instalments. The first instalment along with the September 2024 fee and the second instalment with the October 2024 fee.
10	AED 50/-	To be paid along with the September 2024 fee.

We look forward to your kind cooperation in this regard.

With every good wish

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