



7th February, 2017

2017 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2017 international Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). For the last 30 years ICAS has taken place each year in schools throughout Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific region and South Africa. Your child is invited to participate in 2016.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all Years 2 – 12 students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It provides teachers, parents and students with comprehensive reporting of results in the areas of Digital Technologies, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing.

All students receive a certificate and an **individual student report** indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The tests are an excellent preparation for National tests and the student report is useful for highlighting your child's strengths and weaknesses.

This year the competitions will be held before school, beginning at 8.00am sharp. By nominating your child to participate you agree to have them at school by 7:50am on the day of the competition. They need to bring along a pencil and eraser. Please mark the dates on your calendar.

The entry fee per student is as follows:

- Digital Technologies – Tuesday 23rd May, 2017 (Years 3-6) (\$9.00)
- Science – Tuesday 30 May, 2017 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)
- Writing – Tuesday 13 June, 2017 (Year 3-6) (\$18.00)
- Spelling – Wednesday 14 June, 2017 (Years 3-6) (\$12.00)
- English – Tuesday 1 August, 2017 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)
- Mathematics – Tuesday 15 August 2017 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)

Our Lady of the Angels is offering these competitions to students in Year 2 -6 in 2017 for Science, English and Maths and for Years 3-6 for the other competitions. Entry is **completely voluntary** and students may enter one or all competitions. If you have any questions please contact **Mr Cauchi**. **Please note, these competitions are quite challenging and your child should have a high degree of confidence in that subject to sit the test.**

Practice questions are available for free download at <https://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/download-practice-questions.asp>

Please return the permission slip and entry fee by: Friday March 24th 2017.

For more information please visit the EAA website at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au or contact Customer Service on (02) 8344 1010 or by email at info@eaa.unsw.edu.au

Yours sincerely
Dr Rob Forage
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2017 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) PERMISSION SLIP

Please return **THIS** section to school.

I give permission for my child _____ of _____
Child's Name *Class*

to participate in the following 2017 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS):

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Please find enclosed _____ entry fee.
Amount

Name of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian