

15th February, 2018

2018 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2018 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 2018.

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 – 8th May, 2018 (Years 3-6) (\$9.00)
- Science – 29th May, 2018 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)
- Writing – 14th June, 2018 (Year 3-6) (\$18.00)
- Spelling – 13th June, 2018 (Years 3-6) (\$12.00)
- English – 31st July, 2018 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)
- Mathematics – 14th August 2018 (Years 2-6) (\$9.00)

Our Lady of the Angels is offering these competitions to students in Year 2 -6 in 2018 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 9th March 2018.**

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

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PERMISSION SLIP**

Please return THIS section to school.

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

to participate in the following 2015 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS):

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I understand I need to have my child at school by **7:50am** on the day of the competition.

Please find enclosed _____ entry fee.
Amount

Name of Parent/Guardian Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian