



OUR REF :

TRN : 100259955100003

Friday, 2nd May 2025

To: The Parents of students in Years 1-13
WEEKLY CIRCULAR BEFORE WEEK THIRTY

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Saint Mary's. We trust that this update finds you and your families safe and healthy. Please read on for all the latest updates.

NEW

- **SCIENCE FAIR: 5th MAY-SECONDARY SCHOOL & 7th MAY-PRIMARY SCHOOL.**
- **TALENT SHOW- CERTAIN CATEGORY AUDITIONS ANNOUNCED, CHECK CIRCULAR.**
- **SUSPENSION OF OUTDOOR PE-LESSONS DUE TO HIGH TEMPERATURES FROM 5th MAY ONWARDS.**
- **DUBAI AIRSHOW, MASCOT COMPETITION – PLEASE SEE FLYER.**
- **COLOURED CLOTHES & GRATITUDE DAY- 8th MAY.**
- **YEAR 5 PARENTS - URGENT AWARENESS REGARDING INAPPROPRIATE USE OF WHATSAPP BY SEVERAL STUDENTS - SIMS PARENT APP.**
- **13th MAY – STUDY HOLIDAY FOR YEARS 1- 10 AND YEAR 12.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY FEES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN PAID ARE NOW CONSIDERED OUTSTANDING AND IN SUCH CASES WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ISSUE ANY OFFICIAL SCHOOL DOCUMENTS, EXAMINATION ANSWER SCRIPTS, REPORT CARDS, ETC. .

Please note: In cases of outstanding fees, RE-REGISTRATION MUST NOT BE PAID, even if paid, it is not considered as a re-registration but will be adjusted towards the outstanding fees. We urge parents to please be responsible and settle ALL OUTSTANDING fees without any further delay.

1) SCIENCE FAIR (SECONDARY, Monday, 5th May & PRIMARY, Wednesday, 7th May): Please save these dates for our school's Science Fair. Parents are welcome to come and have a Science walk on both days from 10: 00 am until 1:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there. The projects will be displayed in the Main Hall. **Please note that ONLY the selected projects will be displayed.**

2) TALENT SHOW, TALENTZ@SAINTZ YEARS 5-12: Please note that there will be auditions for VOCAL SOLO, VOCAL GROUP & INSTRUMENTAL SOLO on **TUESDAY, 6TH MAY. Years 5-8 during school hours and years 9-12 after school.**

3) SUSPENSION OF OUTDOOR PE LESSONS FROM 5TH MAY FOR PRIMARY CLASSES AND FROM 12TH MAY FOR SECONDARY CLASSES: Please note that this being undertaken due to increased summer temperatures , keeping in mind the health and wellbeing of the children.

4) DUBAI AIRSHOW MASCOT COMPETITION: Please see attached flyer.

5) COLOURED CLOTHES AND GRATITUDE DAY-8TH MAY 2025: We would like our students to focus on being grateful for the many things they are fortunate to have and experience. Class teachers will send you more information on this. A few simple activities will take place on this day.

6) YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13 EDEXCEL EXAMINATIONS: We would like to extend our best wishes to all our students of Year 11 and 13. Please note that detailed reporting times for examinations have been sent to students. Students are encouraged to carry lunch when they have two examinations and avoid going out in the heat. They are allocated rooms here at school to sit and eat and revise for the next paper. It is much safer and cooler for them to be here rather than going outside in the afternoon heat.

7) SAINTZ MUN: Delegates, mark your calendars, because the dates for the much anticipated SaintzMUN are here! The third edition of our intra school MUN conference, SaintzMUN'25 will take place on 20th to 22nd June, 2025. Further details will follow later.

8) SIMPLY BOTTLES COMPETITIONS: Please check the attached flyers and please email Ms. Bindhu Harikumar if you are interested.

9) EDUCATION4ALL STATIONERY DRIVE: Let us come together in support of a good cause. Education4all is organising a stationery drive to donate to Emirates Red Crescent. This will run from 14th April to 10th May. Those who would like to be part of this, may donate NEW stationery, notebooks, drawing books, pencils, erasers, crayons, sharpeners, colour pencils, water bottles, etc. This is a wonderful opportunity to give our support to those students in need of essential school supplies.

10) MENTAL MATHS (Years 2-8) ENGLISH READING FOR PLEASURE (Years 1-10) - FRIDAY, 9TH MAY 2025: Please note that these are counted towards the Final Examinations and students must be present on the 9th of May for the same.

11) GL EXAMINATIONS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE, MATHS & SCIENCE YEARS 4-10: We are requesting parents of students in Years 4-10 to kindly check the link to the separate circular on GL examinations. The time table for these exams has also been included. The payment of AED90/- must be made on Skippy. **ALL STUDENTS MUST BE PRESENT ON THE DAY OF A GL EXAM WITH A FULLY CHARGED DEVICE. Any absence will require a medical certificate to reschedule the exam, even if the absence is only for ONE DAY.**

12) FINAL EXAMINATION: Final Examination Time tables were made available before the Spring Break. Please go through them carefully. **Any absence will require a medical certificate to reschedule the exam, even if the absence is only for ONE DAY. In the absence of a medical certificate, an exam will not be rescheduled and no marks will be credited for that missed examination.**

13) COMPUTING EXAMINATIONS FOR YEARS 2-6: We would like to inform you that since the Computing Exam is a practical exam, it will be conducted during the regular Computing lessons as per the weekly timetable between the 5th and 9th of May 2025. **Any absence will require a medical certificate to reschedule the exam, even if the absence is only for ONE DAY.**

14) NGRT FORM C EXAMINATIONS FOR YEARS 2-10: Please note that Form C of the NGRT series will be conducted according to the schedule below. Parents have already paid for NGRT at the start of the year. **Any absence will require a medical certificate to reschedule the exam, even if the absence is only for ONE DAY.**

YEAR 5	Thursday, 8 th May	Bring in a fully charged device
YEAR 6	Thursday, 8 th May	Bring in a fully charged device
YEAR 7	Monday, 12 th May	Bring in a fully charged device
YEAR 8	Monday, 12 th May	Bring in a fully charged device
YEAR 9	Wednesday, 7 th May	Bring in a fully charged device
YEAR 10	Monday, 12th May – New rescheduled date	Bring in a fully charged device

15) RE-REGISTRATION FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026 (YEARS 1-10 & YEAR 12: The DEADLINE for re-registration was 15th APRIL 2025.

16) RECYCLING CHALLENGE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BIC PENS UNTIL JUNE 2025: Students are invited to collect all used plastic pens and markers for recycling from now until June 2025 for a chance to win exciting prizes .

17) APPROVED KHDA CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025: Parents are requested to check the approved KHDA School Calendar for the Academic Year 2024-2025 that has been attached to this circular for your easy reference. This will help you plan ahead. If the regulators make any changes to the same we will inform you immediately. Please note that only emergency medical leave will be approved during school days. Leave for family holidays and celebrations must coincide with the school holidays as per the KHDA calendar. **Leave for events like graduations, weddings, parties etc will not be granted during school days and if absences like this occur during exams, there will be no re-exams in that case. We expect parents to respect these dates and not request leave during school days.**

KEY DATES IN THE APPROVED KHDA CALENDAR

Parents are strongly reminded not to plan holidays/ celebrations and other events outside the approved holiday slots in the calendar as these will not be approved.

13 th MAY 2025	Study Holiday
14 th 15 th & 16 th MAY 2025	Final exams in parallel with regular lessons
19 th to 28 st MAY 2025	Final Exams and students go home at 11:30 am
5 th & 6 th JUNE 2025	Eid Al Adha (subject to government declaration)
26 th JUNE 2025	Government Holiday
27 th JUNE 2025	Last day of school

Please note that the GL EXAMS usually take place during the month of May and June.

18) PREDICTED GRADES POLICY FOR YEARS 12 & 13: We would like to remind all parents and students to carefully go through this Policy that is available on our school website. The situation that unfolded over the last few years made many children realise, albeit too late the true value of being consistent with their study habits and not waiting until the last minute before exams to prepare and study. It is always best for every child to be **CONSISTENT AND HIGHLY REGULAR** with their study and ensure that they maintain a good level of attainment across all their assessment opportunities and prepare as well as they can for their Board Examinations. This will also help them to achieve better predicted grades as every assessment and examination counts towards the calculation of the same.

19) SUBJECT CHANGE POLICY, YEARS 9 TO 13: We would like to request all parents of children in these year groups to please go through the Subject Change Policy which is available in the Parents' Info section of the school website.

20) SOCIAL MEDIA FREQUENT CHECKS BY PARENTS FOR SECONDARY & UPPER

PRIMARY CHILDREN: Parents of secondary and upper primary children are strongly encouraged to kindly make frequent checks of your child's use of Social Media. We have seen in many cases that minor children are being sought out on Instagram, Snapchat & other platforms by much older individuals for chats and conversations. It is important for parents to know who their children are conversing with to protect them from any potential safeguarding issues. We would also like to remind parents about your children's use of inappropriate content & language on Social Media Platforms which you will be aware of only if you make frequent checks of the same. Please have your child remove himself/herself from private social media groups that are not encouraged or recommended by us at St. Mary's. The school cannot take responsibility for private groups started by students & we strongly discourage the formation of these groups as well as discourage student participation in them. It is once again important here that ALL PARENTS check your children's digital activity frequently including group activity if your child is part of private groups created by students.

21) STUDENT ABSENCES MUST BE INFORMED BY PARENTS:

All parents are requested to kindly inform the class teacher via email whenever a child is absent, even if it is just for one day. A simple email with the reason for the absence will suffice but is mandatory. Unaccounted for absences will be marked as unjustified and will be reflected on students' progress reports.

22) NO FEE PAYMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED INTO THE SCHOOL ACCOUNT:

Parents are reminded that fee payments MUST not be deposited into the school account. Kindly come to school if you wish to pay fees in cash so that we can issue the fee receipt immediately.

23) URGENT QUERIES AND CONCERNS:

If you have any urgent queries and concerns, kindly send an email to our Vice Principal, Ms. Lise-Ann on l.pinto-smchs@smgeducation.org and she will get back to you. Please include your telephone number in case she needs to call you.

We take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you a safe and happy weekend.

Yours sincerely



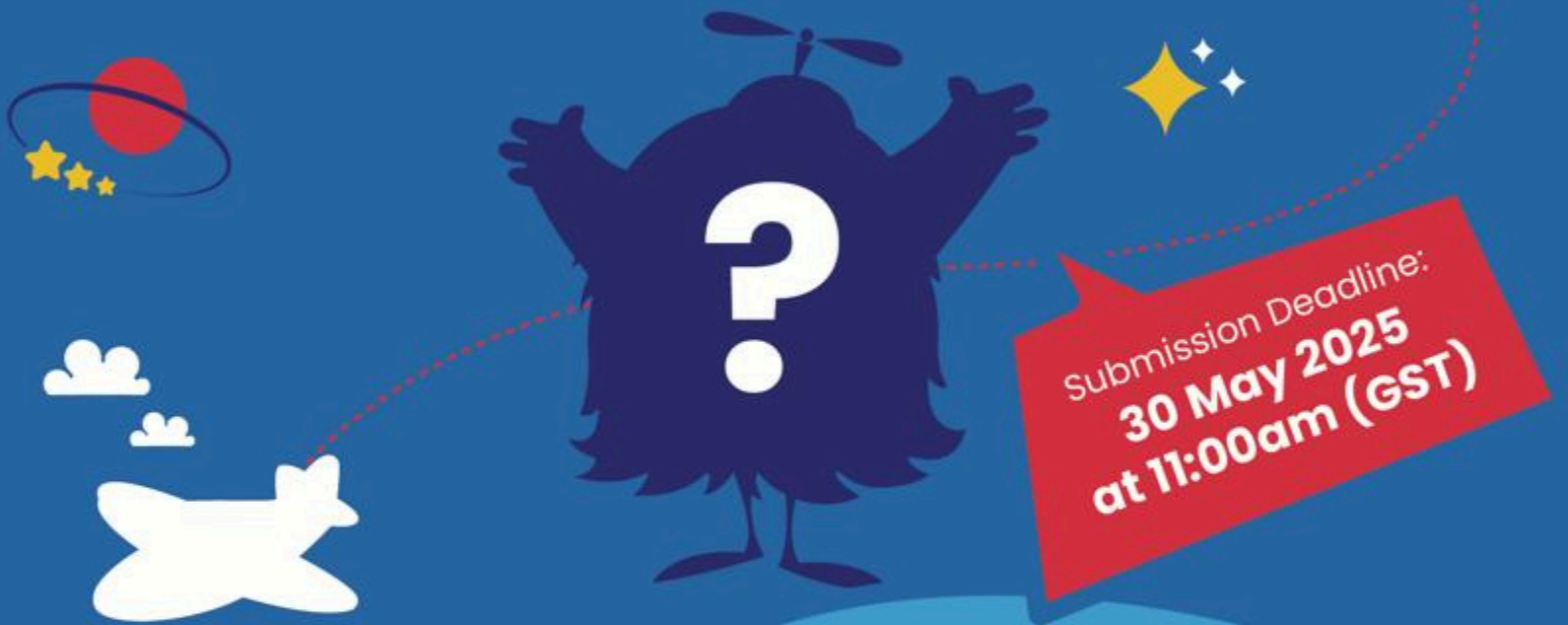
Mr. Paul Asir Joseph
(Principal)



Calling all young creators, artists, and dreamers!

The Dubai Airshow needs a mascot—and we want YOU to design it!
Imagine a character that represents flight, innovation, and the future.

Your Imagination Could Take Flight at the World's Biggest Airshow



Age Group: **4-17**

Judging Criteria:
**Creativity, originality,
relevance to aviation
and Dubai Airshow**

Prize:

**AED 750
Virgin Megastore
voucher**

Exclusive Invitation:

**The winner, classmates
and family, will attend
the Mascot's Official
Presentation at SkyView
on 17 Nov 2025.**



Scan the QR code
for full details and
entry submission.

[Click here for further details.](#)



DESIGN A REUSABLE CUP WIN PRIZES & INSPIRE OTHERS!

WHAT IS IT?

Design your own reusable cup and add a message to tell others why they should use it!

WHO CAN TAKE PART?

Open to Students
ages 11 to 16 from
Simply Bottles schools.

DEADLINE
12 May 2025



STARBUCKS®

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DGRADE x STARBUCKS -'DESIGN A REUSABLE CUP' SCHOOL COMPETITION

Theme

Design a reusable cup and include a message that encourages others to use a sustainable cup. This could be a fact, a call to action, or any message that promotes reuse. The challenge invites students to showcase their creativity and passion for sustainability by highlighting the importance of bringing a reusable cup when buying a hot or cold drink.

Prizes

- Finalists – 5 shortlisted designs will receive a finalist certificate and a small gift

Who can take part?

Students aged 11 to 16 from Simply Bottles Schools registered schools.

Judging Criteria

- 50%–Clarity and relevance of the sustainability message
- 30% – Creativity and uniqueness of the design
- 20% – Quality and formatting (you must use the template provided)

Rules & Requirements

- Design **must be created using the template provided**
- Artwork must be the student's original work
- Submit as **High-resolution PDF or PNG**
- Resolution: Minimum 300 DPI(dots per inch)for **print quality**
- Filename must include the school name and the student's name

In case you are interested to take part in this competition do send an email to bindhu.harikumar-smchs@smgeducation.org



COLOR YOUR FUTURE

A SUSTAINABLE SELF-PORTRAIT ECO-DRAWING COMPETITION

What is it?

A drawing competition with a chance to win prizes for your school.

Rules & Selection Criteria

Draw your design in the designated area on the form using any of BIC's range of plastic coloring markers, pens, felt pens and ball pens

- Theme: "Sustainable Self-Portraits": Create a self-portrait that reflects your own personal commitment to recycling, incorporating activities or lifestyle choices that promote environmental awareness and conservation.
- Judging criteria: Relevance to the theme, uniqueness, creativity and visual appeal.

Who can take part?

Schools registered with Simply Bottles can submit a maximum of 5 entries per age group.

- Group 1 ages 6-10
- Group 2 ages 11-16

Prizes

Awarded for each age group:

- 1st Place T-shirts printed with Winner's design and 30 Bic Kits
- 2nd Place T-shirts printed with Winner's design and 20 Bic Kits
- 3rd Place T-shirts printed with Winner's design and 10 Bic Kits

Submission deadline: 8th May 2025.

In case you are interested please email to bindhu.harikumar-smchs@smgeducation.org

DGRADE



FINAL EXAMINATIONS – (YEARS 1 – 4) MAY 2025

DATE	DAY	YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE	YEAR FOUR
14 th May	Wed	English Writing	English Writing	PSHE & English Reading	English Language
15 th May	Thu	No Exam	Maths	UAE Social Stu.	Moral Education
16 th May	Fri	Science	English Reading	Maths	Maths
19 th May	Mon	English Reading	No Exam	No Exam	English Lit.
20 th May	Tue	No Exam	Arabic	Geography	French & GL English- bring a fully charged device
21 st May	Wed	A day of Healthy eating	UAE Social Stu.	Moral Education	Islamic. Stu. / Values Ed/Ctz
22 nd May	Thu	PSHE	Islamic. Stu. / Values Ed/Ctz	English Writing	Arabic
23 rd May	Fri	Maths	Science	Science	Science
26 th May	Mon	A day out	PSHE	Islamic. Stu./ Values Ed/Ctz	History
27 th May	Tue	Islamic. Stu./ Values Ed/Ctz	History	Arabic	Geography
28 th May	Wed	Arabic	Moral Education	History	UAE Social Stu

- On the 14th, 15th and 16th of May - regular lessons after the exams.
- 19th – 28th May- students leave after the exams at 11:00 am.
- When there is NO EXAM-students remain at home.



FINAL EXAMINATIONS – (YEARS 5 & 6) MAY 2025

DATE	DAY	YEAR FIVE	YEAR SIX
14 th May	Wed	English Language & French	English Language & History
15 th May	Thu	Geography & English Literature	Moral Education & Art
16 th May	Fri	Moral Education	Islamic. Stu./ Values Ed/Ctz & Geography
19 th May	Mon	Science	English Literature
20 th May	Tue	UAE Social Studies	Arabic
21 st May	Wed	History & Art	UAE Social Studies
22 nd May	Thu	Islamic Stu./ Values Ed /Ctz	ENGLISH GL – bring a fully charged device
23 rd May	Fri	Maths	Science
26 th May	Mon	Arabic	French
27 th May	Tue	ENGLISH GL – bring a fully charged device	Maths
28 th May	Wed	No exam	No exam

- **On the 14th, 15th and 16th of May - regular lessons after the exams.**
- **19th – 28th May- students leave after the exams at 11:00 am.**
- **When there is NO EXAM-students remain at home.**



FINAL EXAMINATIONS – (YEARS 7 & 8) MAY 2025

DATE	DAY	YEAR SEVEN	YEAR EIGHT
14 TH May	Wed	English Language 1 & 2 Paper 2 before break Paper 1 after break	English Language 1 & 2 Paper 2 before break Paper 1 after break
15 th May	Thu	English Literature 1 & 2	English Literature 1 & 2
16 th May	Fri	Moral Education & Islamic. Stu. / Values Ed/Ctz	Maths Paper 1 & 2
19 th May	Mon	Science	Islamic. Stu./ Values Ed/Ctz
20 th May	Tue	ENGLISH GL – bring a fully charged device	UAE Social Studies & History
21 st May	Wed	French & Geography	Computing & Moral Education
22 nd May	Thu	History	Science
23 rd May	Fri	Arabic	French & Geography
26 th May	Mon	UAE Social Studies & Computing	ENGLISH GL – bring a fully charged device
27 th May	Tue	Maths	Arabic
28 th May	Wed	Art	Art

- **On the 14th, 15th and 16th of May - Regular lessons after the exams.**
- **19th – 28th May - Students leave after the exams at 11:00 am.**
- **When there is NO EXAM-students remain at home.**



FINAL EXAMINATIONS – (YEARS 9 & 10) MAY 2025

DATE	DAY	YEAR NINE	YEAR TEN
14 th May	Wed	English Language 2 English Language 1	English Language 2 English Language 1
15 th May	Thu	Maths Cal and Non-Cal	Maths Cal and Non-Cal
16 th May	Fri	English Lit. 1 / History	English Lit. 1 / History Paper 1
19 th May	Mon	ICT/ Computer Science & Geography	Arabic
20 th May	Tue	Biology /Accounting	Physics/ Business & Moral Ed.
21 st May	Wed	Islamic. Stu. / Values Ed	Psychology & UAE SST
22 nd May	Thu	Chemistry/ Economics & UAE SST	Biology /Accounting
23 rd May	Fri	English Lit	Islamic. Stu. / Values Ed
26 th May	Mon	Psychology & Moral Ed.	Chemistry/ Economics
27 th May	Tue	Physics/ Business	ICT/ Computer Science
28 th May	Wed	Arabic	English Lit 2/ History Paper 2

- **On the 14th ,15th and 16th of May - Regular lessons after the exams.**
- **19th – 28th May- students leave after the exams at 11:00 am.**
- **When there is NO EXAM-students remain at home.**
- **YEAR 10 Art exam 12th and 13th May 2025.**
- **YEAR 9 Art Exam 29th and 30th May 2025.**



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FINAL EXAMINATIONS – (YEAR 12) MAY 2025

DATE	DAY	Year 12
14 th May	Wed	Physics 1- 2hrs 30 min & Islamic Studies – 2hrs
15 th May	Thu	Business Studies 1 – 2hrs Mathematics (Pure)- 2hrs
16 th May	Fri	Biology 1-2hrs 30 min
19 th May	Mon	Psychology 1-2hrs
20 th May	Tue	Economics 1-2hrs
21 st May	Wed	Arabic (A) - 2hrs 30 min Arabic (B) – 2hrs
22 nd May	Thu	Mathematics (Statistics)- 2hrs
23 rd May	Fri	Chemistry 1-2hrs 30 min
26 th May	Mon	REGULAR LESSONS TILL 11:00 AM-ATTENDANCE MANDATORY
27 th May	Tue	REGULAR LESSONS TILL 11:00 AM-ATTENDANCE MANDATORY
28 th May	Wed	REGULAR LESSONS TILL 11:00 AM-ATTENDANCE MANDATORY



OUR REF :

TRN : 100259955100003

DATE : Friday, 21st March 2025

**To : Parents of students in Years FOUR THROUGH TEN:
GL EXAMINATIONS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE, MATHS & SCIENCE**

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary's Catholic High School, Dubai. As part of our commitment to the National Agenda targets, and with a view to tracking progress and identify gaps in learning, our school will participate in the GL-Progress Tests in English, Math and Science which are online tests. GL Education, one of the leading research organizations in the world , develops this test and provides a range of Assessment services in many countries and works in close tandem with the KHDA here in Dubai. These are compulsory International Tests that have to be undertaken as mandated by KHDA.

GL EXAMINATIONS WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL MARKS FOR THE FINAL EXAMINATIONS.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

YEAR GROUP	ASSESSMENT IN MAY	GL EXAMINATION	FINAL EXAMINATION RESULT
FOUR	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
FIVE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SIX	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SEVEN	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
EIGHT	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
NINE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
TEN	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result

MATHEMATICS

YEAR GROUP	ASSESSMENT IN MAY	GL EXAMINATION	FINAL EXAMINATION RESULT
FOUR	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
FIVE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SIX	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SEVEN	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
EIGHT	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
NINE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
TEN	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result

SCIENCE

YEAR GROUP	ASSESSMENT IN MAY	GL EXAMINATION	FINAL EXAMINATION RESULT
FOUR	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
FIVE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SIX	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
SEVEN	APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE	Assessment
EIGHT	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
NINE	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result
TEN	APPLICABLE	APPLICABLE	Assessment + GL Result

The entry fee is AED 90/- the exact amount of which must be paid via the SKIPLY APP .Please be aware that these are COMPULSORY EXAMS as part of the NATIONAL AGENDA and THEY ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO THE OVERALL SCORE OF THE FINAL EXAMINATIONS FOR THESE THREE SUBJECTS and no exemption can be granted to any student. The Final date for payment of the GL fee is 10th April 2025.

These tests will be conducted in school during the month of May and June 2025. Please find the GL EXAMINATION TIMETABLE OVERLEAF. Attendance is mandatory. A medical certificate will be required in the event of any absence, even if for ONE DAY.

We would therefore ask you as parents to kindly make this payment of AED 90/- via the SKIPLY APP and kindly email the receipt to your child's class teacher when you make the payment.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. Paul Asir Joseph
(Principal)





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PRIMARY GL EXAMINATION TIME TABLE MAY-JUNE 2025

DATE	DAY	YEAR FOUR	YEAR FIVE	YEAR SIX
20th May	Tuesday	ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device		
22nd May	Thursday			ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device
27th May	Tuesday		ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device	
30th May	Friday		MATHS Bring a fully charged device	
2nd June	Monday	SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device		SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device
3rd June	Tuesday	MATHS Bring a fully charged device		
4th June	Wednesday		SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device	MATHS Bring a fully charged device





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**SECONDARY GL EXAMINATION
TIME TABLE MAY-JUNE 2025**

DATE	DAY	YEAR SEVEN	YEAR EIGHT	YEAR NINE	YEAR TEN
20th May	TUE	ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device			
26th May	MON		ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device		
29th May	THU				ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device
2nd June	MON			ENGLISH Bring a fully charged device	
4th June	WED		SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device		
11th June	WED	MATHS Bring a fully charged device		MATHS Bring a fully charged device	SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device
12th June	THU		MATHS Bring a fully charged device	SCIENCE Bring a fully charged device	
13th June	FRI				MATHS Bring a fully charged device

