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Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026.

**To: The Parents of Students in Years 1-13**

## **WEEKLY CIRCULAR BEFORE WEEK 35**

Dear Parents,

Greetings from Saint Mary's. Please read on to find out important information that is relevant to your child and their year group.

**We would like to inform our parents, staff and students that the EID-AL-ADHA break will run from Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> May until Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> May and school will re-open on 1<sup>st</sup> June. We would like to take this opportunity to wish our families celebrating Eid a truly Blessed and Happy Eid. May all our Marian Family spend special family moments together during this long break.**



### **NEW UPDATES:**

- **SAINTZMUN 2026:** Please read the separate attachment.
- **SCIENCE PROJECT & EXHIBITION YEARS 1-10 & YEAR 12:** Please read the separate attachment.
- **UPDATED EXAM AND GL EXAM TIMETABLES:** Please find our updated exam timetables and GL exam timetables on account of rescheduling due to the on-going regional situation. Exams that have been completed this week will not be featured. Please read the separate attachment.
- **ETHNIC DAY FOR PRIMARY:** Primary students will celebrate Ethnic Day at school on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026.
- **ETHNIC DAY FOR SECONDARY:** Secondary students will celebrate Ethnic Day at school on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

**URGENT NOTICE TO PARENTS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THE RE-REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027-** These students will now be considered as not registered for next year 2026-2027.

**1) EID AL ADHA BREAK:** Please note that the Eid Al-Adha break runs from 25 to 31 May 2026. School reopens on 1 June 2026. The school office will be closed from 23 to 31 May, inclusive. This includes email correspondence to all school staff and senior leaders.

**2) SaintzMUN 2026:** Please check the attachment to this circular. Delegate registration is now open for SaintzMUN'26.

Click here for further details and registration form.

<https://forms.gle/y6FrepCzT3QUjP9F9>

Last date to register and pay: 12th June 2026.

**3) SCIENCE PROJECT AND EXHIBITION (YEARS 1-10 AND 12):** The Science Exhibition is an exciting event for our students. The Science Project is a practical component that is added to the end of year assessment portfolio and contributes to students' overall attainment and progress. In the current circumstances, where students have had a long period of distance learning, this will be a valuable addition to their end of year assessments. Please read the separate attachment for guidance. Submit it at the latest by the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 2026.

Link : [https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Annual-Science-Project-Exhibition-2026.pdf#new\\_tab](https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Annual-Science-Project-Exhibition-2026.pdf#new_tab)

**4) GL EXAMINATIONS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE, MATHS & SCIENCE YEARS 4-10- a reminder to please make the required payment:** Upon reviewing our records, we have noted that a significant number of parents have not yet paid for the GL examinations. We do understand that this must have been forgotten with the stress of the extenuating circumstances, but we request parents to kindly not delay this payment any further and to kindly ensure that this is done over the weekend. We have also sent reminders to your email. [https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/GL-PROGRESS-TESTS-YEARS-4-to-10-2026.pdf#new\\_tab](https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/GL-PROGRESS-TESTS-YEARS-4-to-10-2026.pdf#new_tab)

**5) ETHNIC DAY FOR PRIMARY (YEARS 1-6 ) :** Primary school students will celebrate Ethnic Day on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2026. Students are invited to come dressed in their traditional clothes. We will be conducting various activities that help students showcase various aspects of their home countries with the goal of celebrating the “ **Melting Pot**”, that is St. Mary's.

**6) ETHNIC DAY FOR SECONDARY (YEARS 7-12 ) :** Secondary school students will celebrate Ethnic Day on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026. Students are invited to come dressed in their traditional clothes. We will be conducting various activities that help students showcase various aspects of their home countries with the goal of celebrating the “**Melting Pot**”, that is St. Mary's. Please ensure that students are dressed modestly and that the Coloured Clothes Day Dress policy is strictly followed.

**7) RE-REGISTRATION FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027 – YEARS 1-10 AND YEAR 12:** *We would like parents to be aware that any child who has not been re-registered for the next academic year will be considered as not returning for the next Academic Year 2026-2027.*

**8) URGENT PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING SCHOOL FEES:** At the heart of St. Mary's is our "Marian family", a community built on mutual support and a shared commitment to our children's future. As a not-for-profit institution, we rely almost exclusively on school fees to sustain our operations, pay our dedicated staff and maintain the learning environment that your child deserves. Our ethos has always been to ensure that no child's education is interrupted due to financial constraints in a particular academic year. However, the current significant amount in outstanding fees, in some cases both first and second term outstanding, has placed enormous pressure on our school. We, therefore, respectfully request all parents with outstanding fees to kindly settle these at the earliest to allow us to continue to provide a safe and good quality education as well as meet the new safety and security protocols to be compliant.

**9) FOURTH SUBJECT DROP ( GCE / IAL SUBJECTS ONLY ) -YEAR 12 STUDENTS:** We have been receiving subject drop forms signed by parents and these are being duly processed where required evidence of the requirement of only three subjects has been provided. Once a subject has been dropped it cannot later be re-taken due to a loss of curricular hours. Parents are therefore requested to carefully consider this decision There is no deadline for dropping the fourth subject.

**10) INAPPROPRIATE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA & CYBERBULLYING :** Please see the link to the circular.

[https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/CYBERBULLYING-BULLYING-SANCTIONS-AND-CONSEQUENCES-REMINDER-CIRCULAR.pdf#new\\_tab](https://www.stmarysdubai.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/CYBERBULLYING-BULLYING-SANCTIONS-AND-CONSEQUENCES-REMINDER-CIRCULAR.pdf#new_tab)

**11) 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 and 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 and 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, and 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.

**12) APPROVED KHDA CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026:** Parents are requested to check the approved KHDA School Calendar for the Academic Year 2025-2026 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 / bereavement 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) 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.

**14) 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](mailto: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 thank the Government of the UAE for all its efforts in ensuring the safety of its citizens, residents and visitors. We commend the Leaders on their resilience and commitment to safety and security. Please rely only on official government sources for information and do not share any unverified information on social media or via any other means of communication.

Yours sincerely,

  
Mr. Paul Asir Joseph  
( Principal )





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### **UPDATED EXAM AND GL EXAM TIMETABLES - COMPLETED EXAMS NOT FEATURED HERE.**

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary's. Please find the updated timetables to also include some of the earlier core subjects that had been rescheduled.

### **UPDATED TIMETABLE FOR FINAL EXAMINATIONS YEARS 1-4- MAY- JUNE 2026**

**Years 1-4 will still be required to bring in a fully charged device for ALL exams as they will continue with Google Forms.**

DAY/DATE	YEAR ONE	YEAR TWO	YEAR THREE	YEAR FOUR
1 <sup>st</sup> June, Mon	English Writing	English Writing and Maths	English Reading	English Language

**From 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards, school ends at 1:50 pm with the established staggered dispersal timings in place.**

DAY/DATE	YEAR FIVE	YEAR SIX
1 <sup>st</sup> June, Mon	English Literature	English Literature and Islamic Studies

**From 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards, school ends at 1:50 pm with the established staggered dispersal timings in place.**

DAY/DATE	YEAR NINE	YEAR TEN
1 <sup>st</sup> June, Mon	Islamic Studies	Art

**From 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards, school ends at 1:50 pm with the established staggered dispersal timings in place.**

**SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, PRIMARY GL  
EXAMINATION TIMETABLE MAY-JUNE 2026-Updated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

DATE	DAY	YEAR FOUR	YEAR FIVE	YEAR SIX
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Tuesday		<b>MATHS</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Wednesday	<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device		
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday		<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>ENGLISH</b> Bring a fully charged device

DATE	DAY	YEAR SEVEN	YEAR EIGHT	YEAR NINE	YEAR TEN
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	TUE		<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>ENGLISH</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>ENGLISH</b> Bring a fully charged device
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	WED		<b>MATHS</b> Bring a fully charged device		
4 <sup>th</sup> June	THU	<b>MATHS</b> Bring a fully charged device		<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>MATHS</b> Bring a fully charged device
8 <sup>th</sup> June	MON			<b>MATHS</b> Bring a fully charged device	<b>SCIENCE</b> Bring a fully charged device

Yours sincerely,



Mr . Paul Asir Joseph  
( Principal )





ST. MARY'S *Catholic High School, Dubai*

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# SaintzMUN'26

In a world shaped by an ever-changing political landscape, it is more important than ever that we have a younger generation who actively watches and listens, who proactively moves towards healing the society they live in. And in our efforts to build a student community that is sharp, empathetic and diplomatic, St. Mary's Catholic Highschool proudly presents, the 4th edition of SaintzMUN, themed,

**KINTSUGI: ACKNOWLEDGING THE FLAWS OF THE PAST TO EMBRACE A BRIGHTER FUTURE**

Dates: 24 & 25 June 2026

Time: 7:30 Am - 5:00 pm

Venue: School Premises

Scan the QR code or click [here](#) for further details and to register.



REGISTRATION & PAYMENT CLOSES: 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2026.

عيد مبارك

# EID MUBARAK

*A time of faith and peace and prayer  
As with family and friends , our love we share  
Our homes resplendent to welcome guests  
For fun and cheer and food and fest  
And as we bow our heads to pray  
We ask The Almighty to show us the way  
We remember those no longer here  
As thoughts travel to those far and near  
The many who sit at tables bare  
No new clothes or finery to wear  
Our hearts must warm to those in need  
While we put aside all waste and greed  
We pray in earnest for peace in our land  
As we walk this journey hand in hand  
May your Eid be blessed in every way  
So God's love is here to stay.*

**LISE-ANN**