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Dear Parent (s) Greetings!

Sub: International Benchmark Test for Improving Learning (2021)

Please note that as per ADEK, it is mandatory for all students to participate in an **International Benchmark Test** in an academic year. Our school has selected **ACER Assessments**, **2021** (approved by ADEK) as the Benchmark Test for students.

The Assessments under this Program are designed and conducted by **The Australian Council for Educational Research** (ACER), leading research organization that provides a number of assessment services across the world.

The International Benchmark Test will be held in November 2021 (detailed schedule will be informed in due course of time):

SUBJECT	CLASSES	Fee
English, Mathematics, Science	Grade 3 to 10	Entry fee is AED 75/- for all 3 subjects.

The IBT assessments 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 and paper-based Student & School Reports that highlight performance in local, regional and international contexts. With more than 50,000 students participating in the assessments across the Middle East, they include a large and rich diversity of schools and students for benchmarking and validating individual and school performance. ACER has developed Proficiency Statements, similar to those in TIMSS, PIRLS and PISA that describe proficiency and achievement levels for all subjects. These give students a clear indication of what they know and can do and the next level of achievement that they need to strive towards and also enable teachers to use the results to more effectively target their teaching.

Features and Benefits for Students and Parents:

- Comprehensive assessment of student performance and ability
- ❖ High quality test items that are challenging and engaging across all ability levels
- Reports that include clear descriptions of skills and concepts been mastered
- Reports that highlight strengths and weaknesses in different skills areas and can be used as remedial intervention to improve learning
- ❖ A Scale score to monitor growth and track progress over time
- School, Regional and International percentiles to compare and benchmark Student performance
- Provide students with clear descriptions of the next level of achievement that they need to strive towards and help them set clear goals for themselves
- Recognize and celebrate student achievement with Individual Student Certificates and awards for top students

Please pay the required fee through any one of the following options on or before **Wednesday**, **Sunday**, **15**th **September 2021** to enable the school to enroll your ward for IBT 2021

- 1. Through your ward/s to their respective class teachers.
- 2. To the Security Staff at the main entrance
- 3. Through Online Campus Portal

Thanking you for your cooperation

Yours Faithfully

Neelam Upadhyay

Nupadhyan

Principal