Monday 12 March 2012

International Competitions and Assessment for Schools

Dear Parents and Carers

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 2012.

ICAS provides an opportunity for all Years 3 – 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 Computer Skills, 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. The UNSW certificate and individual student report are also suitable for your child to include in a portfolio.

High quality UNSW certificates are awarded for each year level as follows:

- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students.

A UNSW Global medal is awarded when the highest score in each year level in each state is judged to be sufficiently meritorious. These medals are presented at either a Medal Presentation Ceremony or at a school assembly. Students must sit on the official sitting dates to be eligible for a medal.

The entry fee per student is as follows:

- Computer Skills – 22 May 2012 ($7.70 GST inclusive)
- Science – 6 June 2012 ($7.70 GST inclusive)
- Writing – 18 June - 22 June 2012 ($16.50 GST inclusive)
- Spelling – 19 June 2012 ($11.00 GST inclusive)
- English – 31 July 2012 ($7.70 GST inclusive)
- Mathematics – 14 August 2012 ($7.70 GST inclusive)
- All of the above ($58.30 GST inclusive)

Please return the permission slip and entry fee by 10 April 2012 so that the correct number of test papers can be organised. For more information please visit our school website or contact Mrs Dunlop.

Lauren Dunlop
Deputy Principal

David Sim
Principal
2012 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)
PERMISSION SLIP

Please return THIS section to your child’s school.

I give permission for my child ___________________________ of ___________________________

Child’s Name                          Class

to participate in the following 2012 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 ___________________________