



Dear Parents and Caregivers

ICAS Assessments 2022

We are delighted to inform you that St Thomas' Primary School will be participating in the **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)** Assessments again this year.

ICAS Assessments are designed to recognise academic excellence. Students are assessed on their ability to apply classroom learning to new contexts, using higher order thinking and problem-solving skills.

Students from Years 2-6 are eligible to enter the ICAS Competition.

Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition. Every student will receive a printed certificate and an online result report. Top performers will be eligible for medals and are invited to attend special award ceremonies to have their academic excellence publicly recognised.

The assessments are suitable for students wishing to extend themselves academically and take up the personal challenge of competing in an international assessment. **Your child will be presented with high-quality, expert-developed questions, allowing them to apply their learning without the need for prior study or revision.**

2022 Participation

ICAS Assessments are online.

You are invited to choose all, or any of the assessments for your child to sit.

Payment for the online assessments will be done **via the Parent Payment Portal.**

Please visit the online Parent Payment System to make a direct payment to UNSW Global and to nominate the assessments you would like your child to participate in. The Parent Payment System is a simple and secure online payment service specifically for parents to purchase ICAS Assessments.

ACCESS DETAILS FOR PARENTS





Your school access code is: **QQK865**

Your parent page link is: <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

Online payment closes **Friday, 1 August 2022**



IMPORTANT: Please enter your child's name accurately into the system as it will appear on their ICAS certificate.

Subject	Year Levels eligible to sit the assessment	Sitting date – St Thomas' School
ICAS Science 	Years 2-6 (Online)	22 Aug -26 Aug
ICAS Digital Technologies 	Years 3-6 (Online)	8 Aug – 12 Aug
ICAS English 	Years 2-6 (Online)	15-19 Aug
ICAS Mathematics 	Years 2-6 (Online)	29 Aug – 2 Sept

Cost per test: \$19.25

Parents are also encouraged to visit the ICAS website unsw.global/ICAS to gather more background information on these competitions and to access practice items to help your child prepare for the competition.

Students are welcome to borrow past papers from the school to practice. These will be available to borrow from the Makerspace room in the Library, from the beginning of Term 3.

We are proud to partner with UNSW Global in offering the ICAS Assessments and look forward to some fantastic results later in the year.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Natalia Thomson
Principal