



CAT4 Assessment - Kindergarten - Grade 12

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Dear Parent,

Greetings from Buds Public School!

We would like to inform you that, as part of our continuous commitment to enhancing student learning and academic planning, the school will be extending the administration of the Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4) to all students from Kindergarten through to Grade 12.

The CAT4 is a well-recognized assessment that helps us understand each student's reasoning abilities across key areas, including verbal, non-verbal, quantitative, and spatial thinking. It does not assess learned curriculum content, but rather identifies each child's potential and preferred learning styles. This enables the school to better tailor teaching strategies, support individualized learning, and provide appropriate academic guidance.

Purpose of Extending CAT4 across All Grades:

- To gain a comprehensive understanding of students' cognitive abilities at all stages of schooling
- To support differentiated instruction and personalized learning pathways
- To identify strengths and areas for development early on
- To enhance career and subject guidance for older students

Assessment Details:

- The CAT4 assessments will be conducted during regular school hours
- The schedule will be shared with you in advance by the respective class teachers
- The test is adaptive and age-appropriate for each grade level, including Kindergarten
- No special preparation is required, as the assessment measures reasoning skills rather than prior knowledge

We encourage you to support your child by ensuring they are well-rested, punctual, and attempt this International Benchmarking assessment diligently so that they fulfil the UAE's National Agenda Parameter on development of the Cognitive domain in every student.

Individual student reports will be shared with parents after the assessments, along with guidance on how the results will be used to support your child's academic journey. Kindly note that such International Benchmarking Tests come at a minor cost which is affordable to the larger community of parents.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please feel free to contact the school.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.


Donald Errol Weilson,
Principal