



SHALOM COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS) SCIENCE COMPETITION 2016

Dear Parent

Your son/daughter is invited to participate in the ICAS Science Competition to be held on Tuesday 31 May 2016.

The entry fee for this competition is \$8.00 per student. Please return the tear-off permission slip and entry fee by Friday 22 April 2016.

This ICAS competition is an initiative of the Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) of the University of New South Wales. ICAS competitions form the largest independent assessment program for schools in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, India, South Africa, Hong Kong, China and the Pacific region. Over one million student entries are accepted from over 6,300 schools in Australia and New Zealand annually. The test provides an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. It provides schools and teachers with comprehensive reporting of results and also gives parents helpful information regarding their child's performance in Science.

Students receive a Certificate and an individual Student Results Letter indicating which questions they answered correctly, as well as the average mark for their state. The Student Results Letter is also useful for highlighting student strengths and weaknesses. The documents are suitable for inclusion in a portfolio.

Certificates are awarded for each year level as follows: High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants in each year level in the state; Distinction to the next 10% of entrants in each year level in the state; Credit to the next 20% of entrants in each year level in the state; Achievement to students who were placed within the top 20% of the year group in their school, but who have not qualified for a higher certificate; Participation to all other participating students. Medals are awarded to the top student(s) in each year level in each state.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Debbie Bishop
Science Competition Coordinator

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PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION AND ENTRY FEE IN AN ENVELOPE TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE (due 22/04/16)

I would like _____ of _____
Student's Name *Year level / PC class*

to participate in the 2016 **ICAS SCIENCE COMPETITION**

Please find the following entry fee enclosed: \$8.00

Parent/Guardian Name and Signature

Date