19th January 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian,

SUBJECT: COMMON ASSESSMENT & TERM EXAMINATIONS FOR YEARS 7 TO 13 STUDENTS

Greetings and good wishes from The Westminster School-Dubai!

The primary goal of Term Examination is to help us measure our students' achievement at the end of the dedicated instructional period. We aim to evaluate student learning, skill acquisition, and academic achievement at the end of the given period of teaching and learning.

If your child is unable to take the exam, we will require you to submit a valid medical certificate. Please note that there will be no re-exams conducted under any circumstances.

Note: **Early dispersal will not be permitted.**

Expectations during examinations

Please find attached the guidelines and procedures every student is expected to adhere to during the Examination days.

1. All students need to report to school by 7:20 a.m., in regular school uniform, smartly dressed.
2. Students are expected to bring their own stationery (Pencils/ pens/ erasers/ calculators/ geometrical instruments) for the exams.
3. Exchange of any kind of stationery in the exam hall is strictly prohibited.
4. Bringing unauthorized material into the examination room (for example, notes, study guides and personal organizers, own blank paper, calculators (if not required for the exam), dictionaries (when prohibited), watches, mobile phones or other electronic devices is strictly prohibited.
5. No student is permitted to talk/ communicate through gestures/ possess any other written material in the examination hall.
6. Anyone found not in compliance/ misbehaving /causing any disturbance in the exam room/hall, will be debarred from the examination.
7. Issues mentioned in points 3 – 6 are considered as malpractice, and any student involved in the same will not be able to take any further examination.

The assessment schedule is given at the end of this document.

Note: **Students *will have regular working days after the last exam/assessment.***

Thanking you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Grace Aluoka
Assistant Principal – Secondary and Sixth Form

Years 7-9

Common Assessment – 3

*Date/Day	Years 7	Years 8	Year 9
5/03/25 Wednesday	*Maths	English and Science	Physics and English
6/03/25 Thursday	Arabic	Islamic Education	Computer Science/ICT and Chemistry
7/03/25 Friday	English and Computer Science	*Maths	Islamic Education
10/03/25 Monday	French/Urdu and Social Studies	Arabic	Biology and Urdu (writing and listening) French (writing and listening) Art & Design English Literature Geography Enterprise Environmental Management Global Perspectives
11/03/25 Tuesday	Science	Computer Science	*Maths
12/03/25 Wednesday	Islamic Education	French/Urdu and Social Studies	Arabic

Years 7-9 Marks: 30 / 1 hr

*Year 7&8-Maths: 50/1 hr

*Year 9 Maths: Each paper 50 marks/1 hr (total of 2 papers)

Year 10 – Mid-Term Examination schedule

*Date/Day	Subjects
3/03/25 Monday	Urdu (writing and listening) French (writing and listening) Art & Design English Literature Geography (Paper 2 and 3) Enterprise Environmental Management
4/03/25 Tuesday	Computer Science-Theory ICT – Theory
5/03/25 Wednesday	Islamic Education
6/03/25 Thursday	Arabic
7/03/25 Friday	Geography (Paper 1)
10/03/25 Monday	*Maths
11/03/25 Tuesday	Option #1 (Physics/Business Studies/Combined Science-Chemistry and Biology) and English
12/03/25 Wednesday	Option #3 (Business Studies/Chemistry/Accounting/IGCSE Physical Education/Psychology) and Option #2 (Biology/Economics/ Combined Science-Physics)

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*Maths: Each paper-75 marks/1 hour 30 minutes (total of 2 papers)
Other subjects - Marks: 50/1 hour 30 minutes

Year 11 – Term Examination schedule

*Date/Day	Subjects
26/02/25 **Wednesday**	ICT – Practical (Paper 2) Computer Science-Theory (Paper 1)
27/02/25 **Thursday**	ICT – Practical (Paper 3) and Theory (Paper 1) Computer Science-Theory (Paper 2)
28/02/25 **Friday**	FLE (Paper 1) ESL (Listening)
3/03/25 **Monday**	Urdu French Art & Design English Literature Geography (Paper 2 and 3) Enterprise Environmental Management Global Perspectives
4/03/25 **Tuesday**	ESL (Writing) FLE (Paper 2)
5/03/25 **Wednesday**	Option #1 (Physics/Business Studies/Combined Science- Chemistry and Biology)
6/03/25 **Thursday**	Option #2 (Biology/Economics/ Combined Science-Physics)
7/03/25 **Friday**	Geography (Paper 1)
10/03/25 **Monday**	Maths
11/03/25 **Tuesday**	Option #3 (Business Studies/Chemistry/Accounting/IGCSE Physical Education/Psychology)
10/04/25 **Thursday**	Islamic Education
11/04/25 **Friday**	Arabic

Marks and duration: As per exam board pattern

Year 12 – Term Examination schedule

DATE	DAY	Session 1	Session 2
26-02-2025	Wednesday	Physics Practical	
27-02-2025	Thursday	Biology Practical	
28-02-2025	Friday	Maths S1	
03-03-2025	Monday	Chemistry Paper 2/CS Theory/IT Theory /Psychology Paper 1	Chemistry Paper 3/CS Practical/IT Practical /Psychology Paper 2
04-03-2025	Tuesday	Business Paper 1	Business Paper 2
05-03-2025	Wednesday	Biology Paper 1/Accounting/Sociology Paper 1	Biology Paper 2/Sociology Paper 2
06-03-2025	Thursday	Physics Paper 1/Economics Unit 1	Physics Paper 2/ Economics Unit 2
07-03-2025	Friday	Chemistry Unit 1	
10-03-2025	Monday	Maths Paper 1/English Paper 1/ Geography Paper 1	Maths Paper 2/English Paper 2/ Geography Paper 2
10-04-2025	Thursday	Islamic	
11-04-2025	Friday	Arabic	

Year 13 – Term Examination schedule

DATE	DAY	Session 1	Session 2
03-03-2025	Monday	Maths paper 3 /Geography paper 5	Maths Paper 4
04-03-2025	Tuesday	English paper 3/ Economics Unit 3	English paper 4/ Economics Unit 4
05-03-2025	Wednesday	Physics paper 4/ Geography Paper 3	Physics paper 5/ Geography Paper 4
06-03-2025	Thursday	Business studies Paper 3	Business studies paper 4
07-03-2025	Friday	Chemistry Unit 4	
10-03-2025	Monday	Biology paper 4 / Sociology paper 3/ Accounting	Biology paper 5/ Sociology Paper 4
11-03-2025	Tuesday	ICT Paper 3/Computer Science Paper 4/ Chemistry unit 5/Psychology Paper 3	ICT Paper 4/Computer Science Paper 3/ Chemistry unit 6/Psychology Paper 4
12-03-2025	Wednesday	Maths M1/S2	
10-04-2025	Thursday	Arabic	
11-04-2025	Friday	Islamic	

***All Examination dates are provisional and may be adjusted in response to unforeseen circumstances.**

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