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06th Sept 2024

Dear Parents,

SUBJECT : CAT4 ASSESSMENT 2024 - 2025

Greetings and good wishes from The Westminster School - Dubai!

Kindly be informed that the **GL Assessment - CAT4 will be conducted from 9th September 2024 to 17th September 2024**, during school hours for all students of **Year 7, 8, 10 and all the new students of Year 9 and 11.**

The Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4) is a diagnostic assessment that is designed to help students to understand how they learn and what their academic potential might be. It assesses how students think in areas that are known to make a difference in their learning.

CAT4 assessment tasks involve thinking about shapes and patterns (Non-Verbal Reasoning), words (Verbal Reasoning), numbers (Quantitative Reasoning) and some questions are answered by mentally generating and transforming visual images (Spatial Ability). CAT4 assessment needs no extra preparations.

CAT4 reports provide teachers with information that can form the basis for discussions about how best a student can learn and reach his or her potential in school. It enables them to estimate their pupils' IGCSE subject grades based on their CAT4 scores and set targets for future performance.

Please note the essentials:-

- This is a computer-based test, hence requesting every student to bring in his/her own device fully charged. (Specification given below) headphones / earphones on the assessment day.
- It is mandatory that all students appear for the assessment as per the National Agenda Parameters of the KHDA.

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The link below will give you an idea of the kind of questions that the students would be expected to answer

https://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/sites/gl/files/images/digital-demos/CAT4/previewTest.html

Please find below the schedule for the assessments:

Assessment Date	Class					Time
Day/Date	Boys Lab Ground Floor	Boys Lab First Floor	Boys Lab Second Floor	Senior Girls Lab	Primary Girls Lab	
10/09/2024 Tuesday	10B1			10G1		
11/09/2024 Wednesday		10B2	10B3		10G2	8.00 - 10.30
	10B4	10B5	10B6	10G3	10G4	11.30 – 2.00
12/09/2024 Thursday	10B7	8B1	8B2	10G5	10G6	8.00 - 10.30
	8B3	8B4	8B5	8G1	8G2	11.30 - 2.00
13/09/2024 Friday	8B6	8B7		8G3	8G4	7.45-10.00
16/09/2024 Monday	7B1	7B2	7B3	8G6	8G5	8.00 - 10.30
	7B4	7B5	7B6	7G1	7G2	11.30 – 2.00
18/09/2024 Tuesday	7B7		New Admission Year 9/11Boys	7G3	7G4	8.00 - 10.30
			New Admission Year 9 & 11 Girls	7G5	7G6	11.30 – 2.00

May I thank you in advance for your support in the above matter.

Kind regards,

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System Requirements

Devices and browsers

Suitable Devices and Browsers - Testplayer

	PC	iOS Tablet	Android Chromebook	Android Samsung Tab 7 (and newer)
Edge	✓	X	X	X
Chrome	✓	X	✓*	✓*
Firefox	X	X	X	X
Safari	X	✓*	X	X

Unless specified otherwise, you must ensure that you have the latest version of these web browsers. This may sometimes require you to update the operating system on your device.

GL assessments CAN be taken on a tablet device, using either iOS or android operating systems, or on a touchscreen

Screen resolutions

Screen resolutions supported by Testwise are as below. These resolutions apply if used on any of the supported devices listed above. The screen resolutions below are Width x Height (in pixels) specifications:

- 1024 x 768 (XGA) (Not 768 x 1024 which may be the resolution of a tablet in portrait mode)
- 1920 x 1080 (FHD)
- 1366 x 768 (HD)
- 1280 x 800 (WXGA)

When taking tests, if using a device with a screen height of 768 pixels, it is recommended that you enter full screen mode. This can be done using F11 on Windows, or Fn+F11 on iOS.

You should be able to download the following files to your device:

- .mp3
- .png
- .js .csv
- .zip files