

Dear Parents/Guardians

We are delighted to inform you that Howick Intermediate School will be participating in the ICAS English, Mathematics and Science testing this year.

ICAS is designed to target students' higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills. Each assessment celebrates students' accomplishments by providing opportunities for recognition and development. Every student will receive a printed certificate and an online results 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, that has been running for 40 years. 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.

If you wish your child to participate in this competition, we will be asking parents to pay and register this year for tests online. ICAS Assessments will be written at school. All tests are online. This allows greater accessibility for students and faster delivery of results.

Learn more about ICAS **here**: <https://www.icasassessments.com/products-icas>

## **2021 Participation:**

### **Parent payment system**

This year our school has signed up for the ICAS Assessments parent payment system (PPS) for **English, Science and Mathematics**. Through this system parents can pay for ICAS directly online while tests will still be held at our school. Please use the following details to register your child no later than **Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> July**. Also, complete and return the accompanying permission slip to school no later than **Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> July** .

All of the assessments will take place during the school day from 9.00am to 10.30am on the set dates

### **Please access the payment site as follows:**

1. Click on this link: <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>
2. Use this access code: **JSL794**
3. Click on the papers that you wish your child to complete. Year 7 or Year 8  
Mathematics, English and/or Science
4. Pay the bill online using a visa card.



*Compulsory privacy notification.* For more information about the privacy collection statement please see the product [terms and conditions](#).

## Privacy Collection Statement

To analyse your child's progress effectively, our school conducts an ongoing assessment program. The assessment we are using is a product of Janison Solutions Pty Ltd (**Janison**). In order to deliver the assessment Howick Intermediate School and Janison (through our school) collect your child's personal information, such as their name, date of birth, year level and school results when you register your child to sit an assessment in the program. You must ensure that this information is accurate and current.

Janison does not:

- Collect any personal information or data of children other than as required for the purposes of completion of the exam;
- Transfer any personal information or data obtained during the delivery of the ICAS exam out of New Zealand
- Share any personal information or data relating to children or students with any third parties;
- Retain any personal information or data acquired during the delivery of the ICAS exam and all such information or data is deleted from all Janison systems immediately upon completion of Janison's contractual reporting to the school.

As the parent or guardian of a student who intends to sit an assessment, by registering your child into the assessment, you consent to our school and Janison collecting and using your child's personal information for the purposes outlined above.

If you do not provide your child's personal information to us or Janison, we may not be able to deliver the assessment to your child. If you wish to access or correct your child's personal information or to make a complaint about how we have handled your child's personal information, please contact Janison's Privacy Officer at [privacy@janison.com](mailto:privacy@janison.com) or by writing to Legal and Compliance Team, Janison Solutions Pty Ltd, 80 Bay Street, Ultimo, Sydney NSW 2007.

We are proud to offer 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.

Warm regards,  
Angela Bell





## ICAS Assessments™ 2021 Permission Form

Please return this form to your school no later than **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

I give permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
*Child's name* *Class*

to participate in the 2021 ICAS Assessments listed below.

I have paid for the tests online and my child has a device that is compatible for these assessments. These are the web browsers required for compatibility:

- Chrome 28+ (Windows 7, 8, 10, Mac OSX, Chrome OS)
- Firefox 20+ (Windows 7, 8, 10, Mac OSX)
- Internet Explorer 11+ (Windows 7, 8, 10, Mac OSX)
- Safari 6+ (Mac OSX)

Subject	School Years	Official Sitting Dates	Participation Price	Laptop is compatible Yes/No	Paid online and entered (please tick subjects entered)
Science	7,8	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> August	\$18.40		
English	7,8	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	\$18.40		
Mathematics	7,8	Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> August	\$18.40		

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 Name of Parent/Guardian Date

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 Signature of Parent/Guardian



