



**Vaels International School,
Injambakkam, Chennai - 115**



CIE - Centre IN868

Circular: 22/2010 - 2011

23/12/2010

Dear Parents,

We are delighted to inform you that our school has met all the standards required to be a Cambridge International Centre (CIE) and is now a registered centre for holding Cambridge International Examinations (IN686).

What is IGCSE?

At the request of many parents and true to an International School, the school started offering the Cambridge International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) from August 2010. This is one of the most recognized qualification around the world Cambridge IGCSE course are renowned for developing vital educational skills, including recall of knowledge, oral skill, problem solving, initiative, team work and investigative skills. The resulting qualification provides a foundation for higher level courses, such as Cambridge A and As levels, the Cambridge advanced International Certificate of Education, the North American Advanced placement Programme and the International Baccalaureate.

Who can take Cambridge IGCSE?

Cambridge IGCSE is designed to be taught as a three year course at our school. There are no formal age regulations. Children start with Cambridge studies from grade VIII level.

Examination information

Cambridge IGCSE courses take two years to complete and exams are taken at the end of that period.

Examinations are held in June and November each year with result issued in August and February respectively. Students can enter for Cambridge IGCSE through our registered centre.

Now our school offers the following batches

Batch I – to take up exam in November 2012/ June 2013.

Batch II – to take up exam in November 2013/ June 2014 (Admissions on).

Subjects offered at our school

Students are encouraged to study wide range of subjects. Our school has offered Art & Design and Design & Technology the first of its kind in India as optional subjects. In order to follow a broad and balanced curriculum, the school offers the following subjects:

S.No	Science Stream
1.	English as I Language (0500)
2.	French (0520)/ Hindi (0549)
3.	Mathematics (0580)
4.	aPhysics (0625)/ Accounting (0452)
5.	Chemistry (0620)/ Economics
6.	Biology (0610)/ Business Studies (0450)
7.	Environmental Management (0680)
8.	Information Technology (0417)/ Art and Design (0400)/ Design and Technology (0445)

How is Cambridge IGCSE taught?

The syllabus is set by Cambridge. The courses differ for each subject, but there will be a mix of assessment methods throughout, including coursework, practical exercises, oral and listening tests, projects and written examinations.

Who can opt for IGCSE this year: -

Students from present grade VII of our school can go in for IGCSE option (2011 – 2012) instead of ICSE if they are interested in. Parents of grade VII can fill in the details in the tear – off slip and submit to the class teacher on/ before 31/01/2011. The session will begin from June 2011. For further details contact either Dean/ Principal and visit www.cie.org.uk/qualifications.

Thanking you,

With regards,

Mrs. R. Meenakshi,
Principal