

Template letter to parents/carers

Below is a template you may wish to use to inform parents and carers about your school's decision to take part in the Global Academic Challenge. Please feel free to edit the template to suit your school's needs and requirements.

If you have any questions or require further information please don't hesitate to contact us at gachallenge@acer.org or on 1300 232 123.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our school is excited to take part in the 2023 Global Academic Challenge, designed and administrated by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

The Challenge is based on internationally-endorsed frameworks and assesses complex, higher-order thinking skills in Mathematics, English and Science at years 4, 6 and 8. As the Challenge aims to assess the knowledge, skills and understanding students have built over time, no prior study or revision is required. As such, there are no practice materials available.

Following the completion of the competition, each student will receive a printed certificate of achievement and a detailed report of their results. You will be able to see how your child's performance compares with their peers nationally and internationally. Your child's participation and achievement will also be celebrated with a certificate, with particularly high-performing students receiving personalised medals.

The Challenge will be administered online under supervision within the school. In May 2023, our school will be taking part in the following learning areas:

- Mathematics
- Reading
- Science

Each challenge will take 60 minutes or less to complete.

For further information on the Global Academic Challenge please visit: www.acer.org/global-academic-challenge

You can also find details about ACER's privacy policy here: <https://www.acer.org/privacy>

If you have any questions, please contact the school on **XXXX XXXX** or **@**

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