

MAY 2007

CIPP reduced Fee

Once again we are pleased to inform that CIE will make a special start-up fee reduction for centres that sign up for the Cambridge International Primary Programme between now and the end of September 2007.

For more information please contact Denise Enright denright@essarp.org.ar

Computer Based IGCSE Geography: a new alternative to coursework

CIE is looking for Centres to trial its new, computer-based alternative to coursework for the June and November examination sessions. These simulations are being made available to allow candidates in participating centres to familiarise themselves with the format of the simulations before the actual examination.

The computer-based assessment carries the same marks and is the same duration as the current alternative to coursework written paper (0460/04), and can be taken in its place. Video/audio clips and interactive components allow candidates to measure analyse and present data. This will provide a more realistic way of assessing coursework skills. Please check our website for more information.

Instructions for Science Practical Tests

Instructions for IGCSE and AS/A Science and Technical subjects for examinations to be held in October/November 2007 have already been delivered to schools as per your entries last year. If you have not yet received these instructions please contact us at exams@essarp.org.ar

Computer Based ESOL Exams

Cambridge ESOL has already developed KET, PET, BEC and TKT in Computer based format. We are now in the process of having our Computer Lab accredited in order to be able to offer you this possibility of the next examination session. We will keep you posted!

ESOL Teacher Support Programme

We are delighted to welcome you to the first year of the Cambridge ESOL Teacher Support Seminar Programme.

The aims of these seminars are:

- To familiarise teachers with the content of the exams
- To describe the level of the exams and what is expected of the candidates
- To provide guidance on candidate preparation, including practical classroom activities
- To familiarise teachers with the support materials offered by Cambridge ESOL
- To provide advice to teachers preparing for TKT

A complete list of the seminars and details of presenters and venues, are available at www.cambridgeESOL.org/events. All seminars are free of charge, but spaces are limited so early booking is recommended. To book a place, please register by sending an email with your details to esol-events@fibertel.com.ar or online by visiting the above mentioned website.

IGCSE Literature - Open Books

Very important: set texts must not contain notes or additions made by the candidate and, as from this year, **no underlining or highlighting will be allowed**. Please see page 44 in the Handbook for Centres 2007. Please also remember that the set texts must be original published books (not photocopies, unless prior authorization has been requested).

Tip of the month – Changes in AS Practical Tests

CIE has introduced changes to the AS Practical Tests. As from this year you will be able to choose between two versions of the paper. Please consult the syllabus of the subject for more information and remember to consult the Entry Booklet in order to choose the correct option.