



GAURS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, SIDDHARTH VIHAR

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Subject: Revised Assessment Schedule for Term II

Dear Parents,
Greetings from Gaurs International School!

At Gaurs, we believe that assessment should help children learn and not merely measure what they have already learned.

In keeping with the vision of the **National Education Policy (NEP) 2020**, which encourages a shift from rote learning and excessive examination pressure towards assessment that promotes understanding, competency and continuous growth, we have reviewed our assessment calendar.

We observed that the number of periodic and cycle tests scheduled within a term was leaving limited uninterrupted time for classroom teaching and giving children less opportunity to explore, question, practise and revisit concepts. Frequent formal assessments can also make learning feel like a race towards the next examination, rather than a journey driven by curiosity and understanding.

From Term II onwards, we are therefore reducing the number of formal periodic and cycle tests.

This change will provide our teachers with more instructional time to teach concepts in depth and give children greater time and space to understand, practise and apply their learning meaningfully.

Assessment will continue to remain an important part of our academic approach. Alongside the formal assessments, teachers will regularly check students' understanding through **short, low-pressure formative practices**, such as:

- Surprise class tests, wherever required
- Revision and reinforcement at the end of each chapter
- Exit tickets at the close of a chapter, allowing students to briefly demonstrate what they have understood

These practices will be integrated into everyday classroom learning and will help teachers identify learning gaps at an early stage and provide timely support, without adding unnecessary examination pressure.

We hope this change will create a healthier balance between **teaching, learning, practice and assessment**, enabling children to approach learning with greater curiosity and confidence. We want them to view assessment as a part of their learning journey—a means of understanding their progress and identifying areas for growth, rather than as a verdict on their abilities.

Please find the **revised Term II Assessment Schedule** below. We request you to kindly note the revised dates and support your child in approaching the assessments with confidence and a calm, positive mindset.

Classes	Month	Examination Window	Examination
Classes III to VIII	December	11 Dec – 23 Dec	Cycle Test – III
Class IX	December	9 Dec – 23 Dec	Periodic Test – III
Classes X & XII	November	18 Nov – 30 Nov	Pre-Board Examination – I
	December	11 Dec – 23 Dec	Pre-Board Examination – II
Class XI	November	16 Nov – 30 Nov	Periodic Test – II
	December	16 Dec – 24 Dec	Periodic Test – III

The detailed date sheet and other relevant instructions related to the **Assessments and Annual Examination** will be shared shortly.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in making learning a meaningful and joyful experience for every child.

Warm regards,

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