ST. LOUIS SCHOOL

Circular No. 189 (16-17)

20th February, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: IELTS and School Support Measures (S5)

International English Language Testing System, IELTS, has been accepted as a widely recognized English Language Test for students who require to use English Language for communication in their study at local or overseas university. S5 and S6 Students who once took the IELTS would have a chance to know their English proficiency level and plan their study prior to the HKDSE. HKEAA has also once published a research on the correlation of HKDSE English Language and IELTS in 2012.

HKDSE English Language Subject Level	5**	5*	5	4	3	2
Equivalent Range of Overall IELTS Band Score	7.51 – 7.77	7.16 – 7.32	6.81 – 6.99	6.31 – 6.51	5.48 – 5.68	4.79 – 5.07

Being informative to students, teachers, parents and school, IELTS test results would serve as a reliable means to assess our students' English proficiency, be it locally or globally recognised. In view of its usefulness and practical needs, our school continue to encourage all S5 students to take the test in school this year. Students are joining the sessions on a voluntary basis. Details of the exam are given below.

Level	**Time**	**Venue**	**Fee**
S5	20th May, 2017 (Saturday)	Open/closed session	$1,930

To support our students to take this test confidently and help them familiarize with the exam format, some online resources (ROAD to IELTS) or practice exercises are available in the library. Students may familiarize themselves with the exam format prior to the exam date.

As an incentive to encourage students to obtain a better result, we will present book coupons and scholarship to recognise students with outstanding performances in IELTS.

Book coupon ($500): band 6.5 or 7.0 IELTS scholarship: band 7.5 or above

Interested students can fill in the reply slip and submit to Mr. Lawrence Ho / respective English teachers on or before 27th February, 2017 (Monday). Further enquiries can be directed to Mr. Lawrence Ho at 2546 0117. Thank you for your attention.

(Mr. Lawrence Ho)
for the Principal

Reply slip

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Dear Principal,

I *intend/do not intend to send my child _____ of Class ____ (No. ___) to take part in the IELTS to be conducted on 20th May, 2017 and I acknowledge that joining the IELTS is voluntary.

Signature of Parent/Guardian : _____

Name of Parent/Guardian : _____

Date : _____

* Please delete as appropriate.