



## Academic Calendar 2024: IGCSE and AS/A Levels: Sagan Senior Secondary and Post Matric

Term	Duration	Important reminders/ events per term
Term 1	Open: 4 January – Close: 29 March  <b>Midterm break:</b> Friday 16 Feb to 19 Feb <b>Public Holidays</b> 21 March – Human Rights Day	<b>Exam registration</b> for <a href="#">May/June Cambridge external exams:</a> 24 January to 7 February 2024  <b>Parents’ evening:</b> 6 March – Sagan Senior 7 March – Checkpoint Stage 7,8,9 8 March – Junior
Term 2	Open: 16 April – Close 21 June  <b>Public Holidays in Term 2</b> 27 April – Freedom Day (Saturday – no school holiday) 1 May- Worker’s Day (Wednesday) 16 June – Youth Day (Sunday – no school holiday on 17 June)	<b>**Cambridge External Exams</b> – 29 April to 7 June <b>*Sagan Internal Mock Exams</b> – 12 June to 21 June  <b>Parents’ evening:</b> 4 June – Sagan Senior 5 June – Checkpoint 7,8,9 6 June – Junior
Term 3	Open 15 July – Close 4 September  <b>Public Holidays in Term 3</b> 9 August (Friday) – Women’s Day	<b>Exam registration for Oct/Nov</b> Cambridge external exams: 24 July to 7 August 2024 (tbc)  <b>Parents’ evening</b> 11 September – Sagan Senior 12 September – Checkpoint 7,8,9 25 September – Junior
Term 4	Open 11 September – Close 29 November  <b>Public Holidays in Term 4</b> 24 September (Tuesday) – Heritage Day	<b>**Cambridge External Exams</b> – 30 September to 15 November 2024 <b>*Sagan End-Year Internal Exams</b> – 4 Nov to 26 Nov  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A level classes for O/N 2024 exams end 04/10/24.</li> <li>• AS Level classes (if writing 4 or more exams) end 04/10/24.</li> <li>• IGCSE Classes (if writing 4 or more exams) end 04/10/24.</li> <li>• AS/A Level and IGCSE study leave <i>for internal exams</i> – Friday, 1 November 2023</li> </ul> <b>Parents’ evening</b> 28 November 2024 – WHOLE SCHOOL  <b>**Sagan Academy Formal Soiree</b> – Bryanston Country Club(IGCSE and AS/A Level only) – 28 November 2024  <b>**Award Ceremony</b> – 20/21 January 2025– Bryanston Country Club



# SAGAN ACADEMY

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## Academic Calendar 2024 : Checkpoint Stage 7, 8 and 9

Term	Duration	Important reminders/ events per Term
Term 1	Open: 8 January – Close: 29 March Midterm break: Friday 16 Feb to 19 Feb	<b>Parents' evening:</b> 7 March – Checkpoint Stage 7,8,9
Term 2	Open: 17 April – Close 21 June (Refer to Senior calendar for public holidays)	<b>*Sagan Mock Exams – 12 June to 21 June</b> <b>Parents' evening</b> 5 June – Checkpoint 7,8,9
Term 3	Open 16 July – Close 2 September (Refer to Senior Calendar for Public Holidays)	<b>Parents' evening</b> 12 September – Checkpoint 7,8,9
Term 4	Open 11 September – Close 29 November (Refer to Senior Calendar for Public Holidays)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>*Sagan End-Year Internal Exams</b> – 4 Nov to 26 Nov</li> <li>• <b>Parents' evening</b> 28 November – Checkpoint 7,8,9</li> <li>• Stage 9 student <b>subject selections for IGCSE level for 2024</b> – by appointment only with Director of Studies – 6 Nov to 15 Nov</li> <li>• <b>**Award Ceremony</b> – 20/21 January 2025 – Bryanston Country Club</li> </ul>

## Academic Calendar 2024: Checkpoint Primary Stage 2,3,4,5 and 6: Sagan Primary

Term	Duration	Important reminders/ events per Term
Term 1	Open: 15 January – Close: 29 March Midterm break: Friday 17 Feb to 20 Feb	<b>Parents' evening</b> 8 March – Junior
Term 2	Open: 17 April – Close: 21 June (Refer to Senior calendar for public holidays)	<b>Parents' evening</b> 6 June - Junior
Term 3	Open: 17 July – Close: 2 September (Refer to Senior calendar for public holidays)	<b>Parents' evening</b> 25 September - Junior
Term 4	Open: 16 September – Close: 29 November (Refer to Senior calendar for public holidays)	<b>*Sagan Junior Cambridge Progression tests</b> – 18 Nov to 22 Nov <b>**Award Ceremony</b> – 20/21 January 2025 – Bryanston Country Club

**All events marked \*\* are compulsory attendance for students concerned.** Student absence to be explained by parents, in writing to the Director of Studies, in advance of the event. Please budget accordingly for some compulsory events.



## Social Calendar for 2024 - ALL Levels - (approximate costs per social given for budgeting purposes)

Date	Social	Cost
<b>TERM ONE</b>		
13 or 15 February 2024 (Junior)	Sterkfontein/Maropeng - off campus - Primary only	R600 (incl transport)
14 February 2023 (Senior)	Valentine'd Day Civvies - Informal ball - Senior only - on campus	R300 to R450 p/student
12/13/14 March (tbc)	Market Theatre - EXPULSED - Literature and English students - Bronwyn only	R400 p/p
Friday, 8 March 2024 Friday, 15 March 202	Movie Evening - on campus - Primary only Movie Evening - on campus - Senior and Junior	R170p/p R190p/p
<b>22,23,24 March 2024</b>	<b>CAMP - SENIOR SCHOOL</b> (Teachers in attendance: Victoria, Lisa, Siphwe, Shaylene)	<b>Camp = approx. R2980 per student</b> <b>Plus, transport costs to be calculated (The more students who attend camp the less the transport costs to be added to the total cost)</b>
<b>TERM TWO</b>		
25/26 April 2024	Market day - enterprise course work in action!	R50 to R400
16 May 2024	TARDITIONAL ANNUAL SAGAN BONFIRE	R180 to R250p/p
11 June 2024	Constitutional Hill	R450 p/p
<b>TERM THREE</b>		
8 August 2024	Bowling/Bounce - junior Theatre etc - senior	R350 per student entry and/or viewing.
<b>TERM FOUR</b>		
13 September r 2024 (Friday)	Haunted House informal ball - on campus - seniors only	Approx. R300 per student
27/28 November 2024	**Sagan Academy Formal** Bryanston Country Club (Stage 9, IGCSE and AS/A level)	Approx. R1400

## Sagan Quiz teams' calendar - Groups of three students per team (Quiz rounds will be planned for a Tuesday - 45minutes max)

Entry fee is R150 per team once off at the start of Round #1

Round #1	General Knowledge - Elimination round (two teams out)	5 February 2024 - 5.30 pm to 6.15pm
Round #2	Science and Technology - elimination round	19 March 2024 - 5.30 pm to 6.15pm
Round #3	Art, Literature and History - elimination round	14 May 2024 - 5.30 pm to 6.15pm
Round #4	Popular Culture - elimination round	30 July 2024 - 5.30 pm to 6.15pm
Round #5	General Knowledge	3 September - 5.30 pm to 6.15pm
Round #8	General Knowledge (final)	26 November - time - tbc



## SAGAN ACADEMY UNIFORM PRICE LIST

### Uniforms

All students are always required to wear the correct uniform.

#### Note: Sweaters and Jerseys

**Senior Sweaters:** Navy sweaters may be replaced by NAVY jerseys (no branding).

No other variations will be permitted.

**Junior Sweaters:** No other variations will be permitted.

#### GIRLS' uniform:

1). **ONLY Khaki** trousers and/or skirts/skorts will be allowed.

2) Correct level/colour golf shirt

**NOTE: NO jeans nor jeggings/leggings**

#### BOYS' uniform:

1) Khaki chinos or khaki shorts

2) Correct level/colour golf shirt

Khaki trousers/shorts/skorts/skirts are sourced by parents/guardians.

Plain blue jerseys (NAVY BLUE ONLY WITH NO BRANDING) are permissible too.

**NO BRANDED CLOTHING OF ANY KIND IS PERMITTED AS PART OF THE SCHOOL UNIFORM**

**No CAPS, other than the SAGAN CAP is permissible.**

The adjacent uniform list can be ordered by requesting an invoice via email from Debbie at [debbie@exord.co.za](mailto:debbie@exord.co.za) and Sally at [sally@saganacademy.org](mailto:sally@saganacademy.org) – once a POP has been received the uniform will be given to the parent/student.

### GOLF SHIRTS – Sagan JUNIOR

Navy - size 7-8	R195
Navy - size 9-10	R200
Navy - size 11-12	R200
Navy - size 13-14	R210
Navy - size small	R220
Navy blue Sweaters/Hoodies	R300

### GOLF SHIRTS – (Checkpoint Lower Secondary)

Stage 7 – Charcoal	R225
Stage 8 – Sky Blue	R225
Stage 9 – Royal Blue	R225
Navy blue sweaters	R335
Navy blue pullover jersey (no sleeves)	R210-R225

### GOLF SHIRTS – IGCSE (Upper Secondary)

IGCSE – Red	R225
IGCSE – Fuchsia	R225
Navy blue Sweaters	R335
White jersey (long sleeve)	R220-R250
Navy blue pullover jersey (no sleeves)	R210-R225

### GOLF SHIRTS – Advanced Levels (AS/A Level)

AS/A Level – Black	R210
AS/A Level – White	R210
White or black with contrast piping	R300
Cotton button-up with embroidered badge	
Boys fit (straight fit)	R350
Girls fit (tapered at waste/side slits at hips)	R330
White jersey (Long sleeve)	R315
Navy blue pullover jersey (no sleeves)	R210-R225

### Additional

Bomber Jackets	
Senior (IGCSE and AS/A Level) WHITE	R R480
Navy Blue Generic jacket (all)	R460-R480
Sagan Cap	R180



## General Stationery List 2024

### SAGAN Checkpoint Stage 7,8 and 9, IGCSE and AS/A Level

1. Laptop and charger or iPad/android and charger or smart phone and charger
2. A4 Exam pads punched (as required per subject – consult with subject teachers as to requirements)
3. A4 192-page hard cover book (as required - consult with subject teachers as to requirements)
4. A4 lever arch file x1 per subject or as required - consult with subject teachers as to requirements)
5. A4 96-page hard cover book (per subject or as required - consult with subject teachers as to requirements)
6. A4 20 pocket display file/s (per subject or as required)
7. Scientific calculator X1 (compulsory)
8. Maths set (compulsory all grades)
9. Glue stick (essential)
10. Eraser (essential)
11. Highlighters (essential)
12. Pens and lead pencils (essential)
13. Pencil crayons/Kokis
14. Set of coloured fine liners (essential)
15. Ruler 30cm (essential)
16. Scissors (essential)
17. Stapler (essential)
18. Box of staples (essential)
19. Sharpener
20. Plastic sleeves

#### SAGAN Checkpoint Junior – Primary School

General stationery list is available from Victoria Sheehan  
[victoria@saganacademy.org](mailto:victoria@saganacademy.org)

**\*\*It is COMPULSORY for all Sagan Primary students to bring ALL prescribed stationary on the list to school on 15 January 2024**

### Art and Design required equipment list

For students from Checkpoint Stage 7,8 and 9 as well as IGCSE and AS Level Art and Design

(Initial purchase that can be replenished yearly)

- \*1 ream A4 paper
- \*1 ream A2 paper
- \*1 set watercolour pencils - 12 colours (Bic brand is fine)
- \*Pack of Kokis
- \*Set of colouring pencils
- \*Set of fine liners
- \*1 set acrylic paints - minimum 8 colours 3 set
- graphite pencils
- \*1 set/pack paintbrushes (with different bristles)
- \*1 box charcoal
- \*1 box white chalk
- \* Glue stick
- 2 craft knives
- 1 rolls of masking tape
- 1 pack of Prestik (not the glue)
- 1 bottle of black water-based Lino ink

**\*COMPULSORY ART REQUIREMENTS FOR Checkpoint Stage 7,8 and 9.**

**\*\*IGCSE AND/OR AS/A Level students doing PHOTOGRAPHY must have a laptop with the correct editing software loaded\*\***



## IGCSE and AS/A Level Cambridge Internal 2024 **EXTERNAL EXAMS** ([South Africa is Administrative Zone 3](#))

### External exam registration dates

Exam session	Registration dates	Penalty fee dates
For exams: <b>May/June 2024</b>	24 Jan– 7 Feb	8 Feb to 15 Mar
For exams: <b>Oct/Nov 2024</b>	24 July – 7 Aug	8 Aug to 15 Sept

### External exams - start and end dates for 2024

Exam session starts	Exam session ends
29 April 2024	7 June 2024

Exam session starts	Exam session ends
29 September 2024	15 November 2024

May/June 2022 AND Oct/Nov 2023 External Exam timetable: [link to external exam timetable](#) (Oct/Nov 2023 External Exam timetable will only be released once the Oct/Nov 2022 exam results are released and final)

### External exam results (approximate) release dates for 2024:

#### For Oct/Nov 2023

AS/A Level: 10 January 2024

IGCSE: 16 January 2024

#### For May/June 2024

AS/A Level: 14 August 2024

IGCSE: 14 August 2024

### Internal Mock exam results reports - 2024

#### For June 2024 mock exams:

12 July 2024

#### For Nov 2024 internal exams:

6 December 2024

## TEXTBOOKS

All prescribed textbooks can be sourced and bought from Eduwiz or SA School Supplies.

Textbooks can be sourced by you on other sites – this is done at your discretion and on your time

[Eduwiz website direct link](#)

[SA School Supplies direct link](#)



## EXAM PREPARATION – IGCSE and AS/A Level

Cambridge External exams and Sagan Internal exams

- **PLANNING** is the key to success
- **DAILY ROUTINES** and practice are essential
- **EXTENDED READING AND RESEARCH** to develop a sound personal response to content is essential for critical thinking

The following are prerequisites for good results at IGCSE and AS/A level:

### Lesson preparation

- 1) **Study methods and techniques** should be tried and tested in the IGCSE year. Adapt, rethink it, redo it.
- 2) **Mind maps** must consistently be drawn up per chapter/topic being studied. Connections must be made to the preceding and/or proceeding chapters – mind maps should then be reformulated with parts to the whole.
- 3) **Pre-reading BEFORE** every subject lesson is essential to success.
- 4) Mind maps are essential once a chapter/topic is completed.
- 5) **EXTENDED reading and research** is compulsory at AS/A Level

### Exam preparation

- 1) At least **15 (FIFTEEN) past papers MUST be completed per component** (not per subject).
- 2) If a subject has three components (i.e. Paper 1 – Multiple Choice, Paper 2 – Theory and Paper 3 – Alternative to practical, then that is 15x3 past papers per component – making it a **total of 45 past paper for that subject**.
- 3) Cambridge Memorandums **MUST** be used in conjunctions with past papers to determine and understand HOW Cambridge International award marks
- 4) **All sections and topics MUST be studied equally**, unless advised by a teacher.
- 5) **Big picture thinking**, with **refined specific detailed responses** must be practiced
- 6) **All subject specific terminology and definitions must be learnt** (no vague terminology will be accepted by Cambridge)

\*Tips for effective exam preparation <https://blog.cambridgeinternational.org/tips-for-effective-exam-preparation/>

### Cambridge Past Papers and memorandums – IGCSE and AS/A Level

**\*\*All IGCSE AND AS/A Level students are required to have an arch lever file PER SUBJECT** with at least 20 to 40 past papers PER COMPONENT (per paper). These past paper files must be readied by no later than 28 February of any given year.

**\*Past papers with memorandums can be downloaded from the following sites:**

<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/programmes-and-qualifications/> Select the subject and select pastpapers

<https://papacambridge.com/home/index.html>

<https://papers.xtremepape.rs/CAIE/>

<https://www.igcsecentre.com/cambridge-igcse-past-exam-papers/>

<https://www.cienotes.com/cie-igcse-past-papers/>

<http://www.englishbiz.co.uk/mainguides/entertain.htm>

<https://www.savemyexams.co.uk/a-level/chemistry/cie/22/revision-notes/>

<https://caiemaster.com/as-level-chemistry-9701-notes/>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLcvX\\_sddV0&list=PLqGFsWf-P-cBjyO6jD2a6e9UKuq2FA1iS](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FLcvX_sddV0&list=PLqGFsWf-P-cBjyO6jD2a6e9UKuq2FA1iS)

<https://www.studocu.com/en-gb/document/university-college-london/introduction-to-macroeconomics/economics-revision-notes/13719066>

For Maths, subscribe to COGNITO for free Maths tutorials - <https://www.youtube.com/c/Cognitoedu>

[https://papers.gcguide.com/A%20Levels/Mathematics%20\(9709\)/](https://papers.gcguide.com/A%20Levels/Mathematics%20(9709)/)

<http://psychtutor.weebly.com/as-level.html>

<https://www.revisealevel.co.uk/>

<https://megalecture.com/a-level-accounting-notes-worksheets/>

\*Z Notes is a good site for revision notes: IGCSE and AS/A Level - <https://www.znotes.org/>

\*\*For additional Maths practice – Maths Enhancement Programme – all levels - <https://www.cimt.org.uk/projects/mep/index.htm>