GoGsat.com - more than a website!

Parents, of course, need no reminder, but next year's Grade Six Achievement Test (GSAT) is now only a few months away. Festive season or not, it's officially crunch time.

By now, parents across the country are pulling out all the stops to ensure that their children have the best possible chance of doing well when they sit down for the exams next year. One avenue that many are turning to, and are finding extremely helpful, is the exam preparation website GoGSAT.com. It's directors, however, say it's more than a website, and it really is. GoGSAT.com offers different packages (one of which is free of cost) that provide access to seemingly countless teaching aids and practice papers. But you get more than that when you sign up with GoGSAT.com. Dr Leachim Semai, a GoGSAT.com director, said the site recruits only the best tutors to offer guidance to the students, parents and teachers who access GoGSAT.com. "Students won't be able to learn everything in class and extra lessons. We aim to provide practice and exam preparation that will help them to perform well in the exams, because it all comes down to what is done on that day," he said. The website was launched in 2005 and since then, it has won several coveted awards for innovation and technology in education. It's not hard to understand why. The numerous pop-up graphics, diagrams and charts on the site are highly interactive, visually appealing and easy to understand. GoGSAT.com has also caught the attention of tutors at the prestigious Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The website has forged a partnership with these tutors. This means that subscribers not only have access to some of the best educators in Jamaica, but also to tutors at one of the most well-respected universities in the world. Vice-president of the website, Shalette East, said GoGSAT.com has exceeded her own expectations. "Our team works hard to ensure that we offer the best service. I'm really pleased with what it has become," she said. GoGSAT.com also provides access to live tutorials facilitated by Jamaican and Harvard tutors, essay grading, eMentoring, 24/7 help, as well as daily homework and research assistance. Directors boast that since 2005, the website's subscribers have won more than 95 national scholarships. Semaj said that there are about 30,000 students registered on the site's database. That number might soon grow though, as another year's tests draw near.