



# **GRANGE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parent/Carer

The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) helps parents, carers and educators to assess that children are meeting important numeracy and literacy standards. It contributes to school improvement processes by enabling teachers to monitor their students' progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development.

This year's assessments will take place between 15 and 17 May 2018.

Next year our school is expected to join others from across Australia in moving to online testing for NAPLAN. This means that 2018 is expected to be the last year that our students will sit paper-based NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN Online will give your child a more personalised learning experience through a 'tailored testing' approach. Tailored testing means students are given questions that suit their ability, providing a better assessment and more accurate results. All schools in Australia are expected to be conducting NAPLAN online by 2020.

We are undertaking a significant amount of planning to ensure a smooth transition to NAPLAN Online next year and will participate in a number of readiness activities this year. A focus will be on keeping our school community updated during this time.

Students will participate in readiness activities later this year. These activities will be an opportunity for staff and students to become familiar with how online testing is run and the type of questions asked.

I would like to draw your attention to the attached privacy notice.

Student information has always been captured during the NAPLAN testing process. The move to NAPLAN Online means student details will be uploaded into the Online National Assessment Platform, managed by Education Services Australia (ESA) on behalf of the state and Australian governments. The privacy notice gives more information on what data is captured, how it will be used and stored along with a link to ESA's privacy policy.

You can also contact me directly if you have any questions.

More information on the NAPLAN Online program can be found on the National Assessment Program website at [www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support/](http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support/).

Thank you for your support in ensuring that the results from NAPLAN Online continue to make a positive difference to the education provided in our schools.

Kind regards,

Grant Small  
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