## NAPLAN - YEAR 7 AND 9

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Daily schedules will become available on SIMON on the week of NAPLAN. Students should bring a pencil, sharpener and eraser for each session. A scientific calculator is needed for the numeracy test. The College will not be able to give out spare calculators on the day of the test. If parents have any issues with access to a calculator, please contact Ms. Rebecca Paget in advance of the test day.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will occur for students who were absent. These students will miss timetabled classes to catch up.

Where necessary support is being arranged for students with disabilities. Please contact Mel Saleta if you have any queries about extra support or any other considerations. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted. Any forms sent home regarding extra support need to be returned by the 6th May.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents and carers in consultation with the principal. If, after consultation, you decide to withdraw your child, you must sign a Student Withdrawal form. These forms are available at the school.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. The report will also show how your child performed in relation to national minimum standards. These describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

I am confident that the information you receive as a result of your child's participation in the NAPLAN tests will be valuable in helping you to assess your child's progress in literacy and numeracy.

For more information about the tests, please visit the VCAA website at www.vcaa.vic.edu.au or the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au.