

22 May 2024

School Staff  
Upwey South Primary School

CC: USPS School Council Members

Dear Teachers and Staff of Upwey South Primary School,

At the recent meeting of USPS School Council, the Council reviewed the preliminary (non-moderated) NAPLAN data. As you are aware, the results are exceptional, and it is with great pleasure that I write on behalf of the entire School Council to recognise this achievement.

Whilst test results are indicators to how individual students perform at a given point in time, the collective results highlight the incredible contribution that USPS teaching staff have made to grow, nurture and support our students in their learning. Simply put, these outstanding results are not achieved without the contribution of all members of the school staff.

Whatever your length of tenure at our school, whatever class you teach, and whatever professional responsibilities you have, I write on behalf of the Council to thank you for your commitment to the role you have played in achieving these outstanding outcomes.

The Council was particularly excited to note the sustained high-level of performance in literacy, together with the significant improvement in areas of numeracy. This has been a clear goal of the school in the recent past, and to see improvement across the entire cohort of students in such a short time is testament to the collective efficacy of the entire school staff. You should be immensely proud of your results, as we are on your behalf.

In highlighting the achievements demonstrated by NAPLAN, School Council also acknowledge that these metrics are no-way indicative of the holistic and complex nature of curricular and extra-curricular initiatives that make Upwey South Primary School such an inviting and positive educational experience for our children. Noting that visual and performing arts, physical education, AUSLAN, sciences or student leadership and wellbeing is not measured through standardised testing, we acknowledge it is these initiatives, combined with a strong academic and caring focus that ultimately makes Upwey South Primary School the positive learning environment that it has become.

On behalf of School Council and our students, I take much delight in thanking you for your ongoing commitment to our children and their educational and social needs. We firmly believe the remainder of 2024 will be a positive one for USPS, largely in part to your dedication and professionalism.

With significant gratitude,



Robert Shepherd  
2024 School Council President  
Upwey South Primary School