

Year 3 & Year 5 NAPLAN



Next week sees the implementation of NAPLAN for all Year 3 and Year 5 students. All students have been guided through the demonstration tests in preparation for their online tests. This has allowed students to see how they can flag questions that they are unsure about, using a ruler, making changes to their responses and using the drag and drop option; just to name a few. As Year 5 students will be completing their Writing task online, they have all completed a practice test in this format. Year 3 students have practiced writing on paper.

Test dates and times are as follows:

| Tuesday 11 th May | Wednesday 12 th May | Thursday 13 th May |
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| YEAR 3 & 5 | YEAR 3 & 5 - | YEAR 3 & 5 |
| 9:30am - Writing | 9.30am - Reading 11.30am - Conventions of Language | 9:30am - Numeracy |

As mentioned in a previous communication to all Year 3 and 5 parents, NAPLAN is only a snapshot of student learning and understanding. Students should **not** be worried about completing these tests. We have been speaking to students about the importance of this and that it is an opportunity for them to have a go, try their best but not worry about any component that they are unsure of.

It is important that you, as parents/care givers of these students, encourage your child to try their best but not stress them out about the tests. Please do not put pressure on your child. As mentioned previously, they are only a snapshot of their knowledge and understanding. As an example, there may be a question on the Numeracy test about time; only one question. Whereas, we spend a period covering any given topic and not ask only one question.

Reminders:

All students in Year 3 and Year 5 need to have headphones for all tests.

Year 5 students - need to come to school with their device fully charged, with their keyboards and with spare batteries if the keyboard requires them.

If your child will be absent on any of the given days, please email their classroom teacher to inform them of the absence so that alternative arrangements can be made for the test to be completed at a later date within the designated NAPLAN window.

Good luck to all of our Year 3 and 5 students.