



27th February 2023

Dear Parent/Carers,

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2022 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held over a two-week period between Wednesday 15th March and Monday 27th March.

Moonee Ponds West will be conducting the NAPLAN tests between Wednesday 15th and Monday 20th March. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

This year the NAPLAN testing will again be conducted online, with the exception of the year 3 writing which will continue to be completed on paper.

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 the NAPLAN test period, some catch-up test sessions will be available for individual students who are absent on test days.

Support can be arranged for students with disabilities, if the student regularly uses similar support for classroom assessment tasks.

Exemptions may be granted to students with significant intellectual disabilities and to students who have been learning English for less than one year.

If your child is eligible for support due to disability or an exemption, you should discuss this with his/her teacher prior to the tests. Parental consent is required before any support due to disability or exemption is granted.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer.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.

Please find attached a parent information brochure that provides additional information about the NAPLAN testing.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

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.