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Years 3 and 5 - NAPLAN Online 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an everyday part of the school calendar since 2008. In Term 1, Weeks 8, 9 and 10 (Wednesday 15 March- Monday 27 March), students in Years 3 and 5 participate in NAPLAN. These assessments will be conducted in a locked-down browser. The results from this assessment are usually made available to families in late August and September.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken nationwide, every year. This year the NAPLAN window is a two-week period from Wednesday 15 March- Monday 27 March 2023.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or 'domains') of:

- reading
- writing
- language conventions (spelling, grammar, vocabulary and punctuation)
- numeracy.

NAPLAN tests skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time through the school curriculum. The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals that can be used to improve student achievement.

How you can help at home:

In advance of taking [NAPLAN Online](#), students, teachers and parents are invited to use the public demonstration tests to familiarise themselves with the type of questions and related functionalities available in the NAPLAN Online assessment.

Click on this link to visit the public demonstration site: <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Some of the [key features](#) include a range of question types, onscreen tools, timers and interactive navigation. Students are encouraged to try all the tests for their year level to practise the complete range of question formats available in the online assessment.

The demonstration tests cover a sample of possible questions and does reflect the range of literacy and numeracy content, or skills NAPLAN Online will assess. While it is helpful for students to become familiar and comfortable with the format of the online test, ACARA does not encourage students to study separately for NAPLAN. That is why you will not find answers to the demonstration tests.

Warm regards,
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