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Dear Parents / Carers,

This letter contains some important information and reminders for students and parents / carers as we approach the 2020 NAPLAN testing period. In Term 1, students in Years 7 and 9 will complete a NAPLAN Readiness Test. The purpose of this test is to ensure students are familiar with the online structure of NAPLAN 2020. After the completion of the NAPLAN Readiness Test, Year 7 and 9 students will complete NAPLAN Tests in Week Three of Term 2, with catch-up tests to be held in Week Four.

When will my child complete the NAPLAN Readiness Test?

Years 7 and 9 students will complete their NAPLAN Readiness Test during Week Ten of Term 1. Year 7 students will also be involved in NAPLAN preparation during Week 9. Specific dates and times for these tests will be communicated closer to tests.

What equipment is needed for NAPLAN tests?

On each NAPLAN test day (including the Readiness Test), students will be required to have a fully-charged, functioning laptop as well as earphones/earbuds for use during the test. Student laptops require the NAP Locked Down Browser to be installed. No calculators are required for the Numeracy test as calculators are accessible when needed through the online browser.

How are online NAPLAN tests different?

NAPLAN online offers an engaging assessment experience for students as tests are adaptive. This means that students will be directed to questions appropriate for the ability they demonstrate.

When will my child complete NAPLAN?

NAPLAN tests will be administered by Pastoral Care teachers and completed in Pastoral Care groups. Tests will be administered during Week Three of Term 2. Students will be given information about the locations and dates of their tests by the end of this term.

What do I do if my child is absent from school on a test day?

If your child is absent from school on a test day, please contact the College office and leave a message for Miss Stephanie Phillips. Students who are absent will complete a catch-up test with a test administrator upon their return to school. All NAPLAN catch-up tests must be finalised by Friday, 22 May. To support your child in preparing for NAPLAN, you may access the NAPLAN Public Demonstration Site at the following address: <u>www.nap.edu.au</u> This site allows for parents / carers and students to experience the online assessment format and become familiar with test requirements.

If you have further questions about NAPLAN, please contact Miss Stephanie Phillips.



Miss Stephanie Phillips

Leader of Teaching and Learning

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