



# St Agnes Catholic High School

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## National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

In Weeks 3 and 4 of next term, Online NAPLAN tests will be conducted across Australia for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Prior to the official tests, our students will be involved in *Practice Tests* on Wednesday and Thursday 24th and 25th March (Yr 7 p2 and Yr 9 p3). This will allow for all students to become familiar with the process prior to the actual test in May.

NAPLAN Online will take place at St Agnes from 11th - 14th May according to the following timetable:

- Tuesday 11th May – Reading;
- Wednesday 12th May – Writing;
- Thursday 13th May – Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar); and
- Friday 14th May - Numeracy.

Year 7 will sit their tests in the first session of the day (p1 and p2) and Year 9 will sit their tests in the second session of the day (p3 and p4). All students need to download the *Locked Down Browser* before the Practice Test. Students will also be required to bring their own headphones that are compatible with the device they are completing the tests on. These are not required for the practice tests. The IT Team, together with Mr Neilson (Yr7) and Mr Madigan (Yr9) have provided instructions to the students on how to do this. They are to see IT if further assistance is required.

In Years 7 and 9 there will be one numeracy test with two parts: Part A calculator is allowed and Part B where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that is provided by the *Locked Down Browser* and in the Numeracy tests, students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors.

- **Tuesday 12th May - Monday 17th May** – Will be the “catch-up” sessions for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day. Please note that the afternoon sessions on the test days may also be used to help a student catch-up on a test.

We receive a wealth of information from these diagnostic tests and use it to plan our programming for this and the following years. For this reason, we would expect that all students attend and complete each test to the best of their ability.

Please visit the website below or contact the school if you would like further information about your child’s participation in NAPLAN.

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site>

Yours sincerely,

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**Principal**

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