



Dear Parents,

Part of our school's obligations under the Australian Education Act 2013 is to participate in the National Assessment Program (NAP) which comprises the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for all students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 and some national and international sample assessments.

This year, students in our school will undertake the NAPLAN online for all test aspects apart from year 3 writing, which will remain as a paper test. The purpose of this letter and the attached privacy notice is to provide you with some information about how the move to an online NAPLAN platform will affect parents and carers of school students who are enrolled for the test. Over the next few years, NAPLAN will be moving from the current paper-based tests to online based assessments for all students. Our school is one of the first schools in South Australia that has chosen to commence using the online platform for the 2018 NAPLAN tests.

The introduction of NAPLAN Online will provide each child with a more personalised learning experience by providing a 'tailored testing' approach designed to give students questions that are more suited to their ability. More information about tailored testing can be found on the ACARA website at <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/research-anddevelopment/tailored-tests>. It also means that the results will be returned to you and your child's teachers within a few weeks, rather than several months.

We are currently in the planning process to enable a smooth transition to online testing, and we will keep the school community updated. As a first step, a privacy notice is attached advising parents and carers that to enable online testing, student details will be uploaded onto the online NAPLAN Assessment Platform which is managed by Education Services Australia (ESA). NAPLAN helps parents, carers and educators to assess that children are meeting important numeracy and literacy standards. It contributes to school improvement processes by enabling teachers to monitor their students' progress over time and to identify areas of strength and development. Further information on the NAPLAN Online program can be found on the National Assessment Program ('NAP') website at <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>.

As a school we also have our own program of standardized testing which is completed annually and the format varies from grade to grade to ensure an overall picture is developed of the child's learning profile as well as providing the teachers with strategies they can pursue to enhance each child's learning. This will continue along with the NAPLAN testing.

A sample of each of the assessments at the appropriate year level can be accessed on-line:

Students will log in at www.quizdom.com.au

Enter their full name and code for the selected test. (Test codes will be provided by the classroom teacher).

- Students then progressively answer the questions
- Students can click the "check" button to get feedback on their answers and further support.
- At the end of the test students click "finish" to see their results.

This will provide you some indication of the type and difficulty of testing that will take place. At school we are providing exposure to the tests over the next few weeks. As parents you have the right to withdraw your child from the testing if you philosophically disapprove of the testing and/or you feel the assessment is too difficult for your child. You may choose to withdraw from just one of the areas eg Writing but want your child to complete all other areas.

Please complete the attached slip to indicate you are aware your child will be undergoing NAPLAN testing OR If you DO NOT wish your child to participate in the testing. A NAPLAN Withdrawal Form will need to be completed and signed by you if your child is to be withdrawn from testing. This form must be completed by the end of Week 11 Term 1. We will contact you on receiving the notification of your intention to withdraw your child.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any queries in regards to the assessment program.

Christian regards

Mrs Christine Clark

NAME OF CHILD: _____

I am aware that my child will be participating in NAPLAN on-line assessment in Weeks 3 & 4, Term 2.

OR

Please excuse my child from NAPLAN testing and forward me the relevant forms.

Parent's Signature: _____



Prescott College Southern After School Netball Competition

We are seeking expressions of interest to establish after school mixed netball teams for boys and girls who are in years 2-7. Please note parents are responsible for providing transport to and from the venue.

<p>Who can play? It's a mixed competition open to both boys and girls from Year 2 to Year 7</p> <p><i>Open to all playing abilities</i></p>	<p>When?</p> <p><i>Games held Tuesdays at 3:45pm or 4:45pm</i></p> <p><i>Competition will commence in Week 2 of Term 2 and run for 9 weeks</i></p>
<p>Where?</p> <p>Southern United Netball Association Wilfred Taylor Reserve Sports Park Drive Morphett Vale</p>	<p>Cost?</p> <p>\$30 per child for the term</p>

If your child is interested in playing netball for a school team, please fill the permission slip below and return it to school. You will then be contacted to advise whether there are enough student numbers to make a team for your child's particular age group.

For teams to go ahead, we require a parent volunteer with a current police clearance to help coach the team. If you would like more information or had any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Kaden Pepper
After School Sports Coordinator

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Cut along this line below

I give permission for my child _____ in year ____ to play in the **Tuesday** Netball Competition at the Southern United Netball Association. Please return this consent slip to student reception. I understand that this incurs a cost of \$30 per student per term, which will be charged to school accounts.

I _____ am able to assist in netball team coordinating, team coaching or umpiring for the game.

Please print caregiver's name: _____

Caregiver's signature: _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OSHC FAMILIES



CHILD
CARE
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The New Child Care Package

MORE SUPPORT FOR MORE FAMILIES



From July 2018, three things will determine how much subsidy the Government will contribute to your child care fees.

1 Combined family income
how much your family earns

2 Activity level of parents
how much you work, train
or volunteer

3 Type of child care
service you access

To find out more, and to estimate
what your new subsidy might be, visit
education.gov.au/childcare

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FAMILIES MUST HAVE A 'MYGOV' ACCOUNT UNDER THE NEW SYSTEM
IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED, PLEASE DO SO ASAP