Number 1

**2010 National Assessments Yrs 3,5,7 & 9**

*When are the 2010 National Tests for year 3, 5, 7 & 9 taking Place?*

All students across Australia in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will sit the tests on …

11th May – Language (Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation) and Writing Tests

12th May – Reading Test

13th May – Numeracy test

**What if my child is away?**

It is very important for your child that they are at school on the tests days. All schools are making these days free of other major activities. Do not plan holidays or appointments for these days. If your child is ill, they will be able to take the tests on FRIDAY 14th May.

For further information [www.naplan.edu.au](http://www.naplan.edu.au)

Number 2

**2010 National Assessments Yrs 3,5,7&9**

*How will the National Assessment results be reported?*

The results from the National Assessment Program will be used for:

- Individual student reports to parents
- School reporting to their communities
- Information for annual school reports
- Information for the *My School* website
- Collective reporting against national standards

And most importantly to further inform classroom teaching.

**Is the National Assessment Program better?**

Absolutely! The series of tests over 4 years will better support your child’s *individual* learning across their primary/secondary schooling.
## Number 3

### Parent Update

**2010 National Assessments Yrs 3,5,7&9**

**How to best support your child:**

- Ensure your child has a good night sleep
- Give them a solid healthy breakfast – but don’t overload them
- Provide healthy snacks and lunch on test days and plenty of water;
- Cut back on after school activities if your child is tired, but encourage fresh; air and a fun play outside
- Kids pick up cues from us – so keep it low key. The test will cover normal classroom/curriculum work learnt over a period of time – so no extra tutoring or last minute studying is necessary;
- Encourage your child to do their best but don’t put any pressure on them - emphasize that this is just one of many tests they will have during their schooling, and is to help them learn better.

Most of all – reassure them that you are proud of them … *for who they are - not what they can do.*

No test can ever measure a persons worth.

## Number 4 – Primary Schools

### Parent Update

**2010 National Assessments Yrs 3,5,**

*How long are the national tests for Year 3 and 5?*

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Remember to ensure your children has a good nights sleep, a solid breakfast and to send healthy snacks and plenty of water to assist their concentration on test days.
**2010 National Assessments Yrs 7 and 9.**

How long are the national tests for Year 7 and 9?

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NOTE: These are no longer than the Basic Skills Tests that they replace.

* A calculator will be required – one currently being used that the student is most familiar with.