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NAPLAN Online Readiness Testing

Dear Parents and Guardians

You may have heard that NAPLAN Online is being introduced across Australia over three years from 2018. Tasmanian schools will be administering NAPLAN online from 2019.

NAPLAN Online will provide better assessment, more precise results and faster turnaround of information.

Our school will trial the new assessment platform (the computer system the test will be taken on). This trial, called the School Readiness Test (SRT), is a chance for the new platform to be tested in a real-life classroom environment. The SRT is not a test of student achievement and results will **not** form part of a student's overall assessment.

Participating in this trial is important as it will help us ensure we have adequate internet connectivity, and at the Kingston campus whether students have access to a sufficient number of devices for NAPLAN testing. During the trial, our school will have the opportunity to practice managing the classroom logistics for an online assessment and the new test administration processes.

Feedback from schools participating in the trial will inform transition to the online assessment as well as provide valuable feedback to shape the final development of the NAPLAN Online platform.

The SRT has not been constructed to assess curriculum knowledge, but rather to provide students an opportunity to experience the types of questions that will be included in the new online assessment.

Security and privacy are key requirements for the delivery of national testing. The online assessment platform has been designed to comply with relevant national data security policies and guidelines, as well as data encryption standards. It meets the requirements of the Australian Government's Protective Security Policy framework and Information Security Manual, to protect privacy of data, including any personal student data required for use.

Please see the Department of Education's [NAPLAN Online Privacy Notice](#) for more information.

During September 2018, students in Years 2, 4, 6 and 8 will participate in a trial of the assessment platform, by undertaking online test/s that include examples of the new NAPLAN Online questions. Each test will take approximately 45 minutes to complete.

I would like to thank you and your child for their participation in this trial, which is a key step to ensuring a successful online experience.

Yours sincerely

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