



Helidon State School

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Wednesday, March 12th 2025

NAPLAN 2025 – revised schedule

Dear parents and carers,

Due to recent school closure, the 2025 NAPLAN schedule has been delayed by a day.

This year our year 3 and 5 students will sit the NAPLAN tests online. The only exception is that the year 3 Writing test will use paper and a pencil.

The revised NAPLAN schedule at Helidon State School for this year are as follows:

March 13th – March 24th NAPLAN test window

Practice test

In the lead-up to the NAPLAN test period, we are conducted some *practice tests* to ensure that the children are familiar with the online environment, test formats, and technical requirements. This was also an opportunity for our school to blow any cobwebs out of our IT system.

NAPLAN test window

On the back of this letter is the revised *draft* test schedule. If your child is absent on a day that one of the tests are scheduled then there may be opportunities for them to sit that later during the testing window.

Preparing for NAPLAN

There is no special preparation that needs to be done at home to prepare for NAPLAN. If you are interested however, practice tests can be found at <https://www.acara.edu.au/assessment/naplan/naplan-2012-2016-test-papers> . Please understand that these are 'pencil and paper' tests from previous years, that they may not reflect recent changes to the Australian Curriculum content for Years 3 and 5, and are no longer in the format the students will engage with in 2025.

My advice is to exercise caution and not to over-prepare your child to the point where they feel nervous or anxious about their chances. NAPLAN results provide our school with some useful data about how our Year 3 and 5 cohorts are progressing as a whole, while individual results ***will not*** be reflected in end of semester report cards.

ENCOURAGING your child to have a go at all questions ***almost always*** produces better results.

Attached are documents that provide further information. Please read these and make a time to talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. For additional information about the NAPLAN tests please go to <https://nap.edu.au/naplan/for-parents-carers> .

Regards,

Mark Robertson
Principal

We pay our respects to the traditional owners of the land on which our school is situated.

Revised NAPLAN Test Schedule 2025 - DRAFT

Test Window – March 13th – 24th

Date	Sessions	Test
Thursday 13 th March	Morning Middle	Year 5 WRITING (online) Year 3 WRITING (paper)
Friday 14 th March	Morning Middle Middle	Year 5 READING Year 3 READING Year 5 WRITING – catchup due to technical issues.
Monday 17 th March	Morning Middle	Year 3 CONVENTIONS OF LANGUAGE Year 5 CONVENTIONS OF LANGUAGE
Tuesday 18 th March	Morning Middle	Year 5 NUMERACY Year 3 NUMERACY
Wednesday 19 th March		
Thursday 20 th March	Morning Middle	Catch up tests – all domains (except Year 3 writing)
Friday 21 st March		
Monday 24 th March		