



MACKILLOP
Catholic College
WARNERVALE

Assessment Handbook 2023

YEAR 7

Assessment Calendar & Schedules

NAPLAN

NAPLAN 2023 tests are scheduled between:

Wednesday 15 March to Monday 27 March

Term 1, Weeks 7-9

The test window for NAPLAN Online is nine days which allows schools flexibility in scheduling.

At MacKillop, students will complete the Writing test on desktop computers in the Library. The other three tests will be undertaken on the student's ipad/device. Students must ensure that they have the correct Lockdown Browser installed, their device is fully charged and operable. Students will be informed early in Term 1 of the timetable for NAPLAN tests and the current Lockdown Browser.

NAPLAN Online tests will be taken in a specific order, this increases the security of the writing prompt and is required for some test linkages. For instance, students must complete the Reading test before accessing the Conventions of Language test, so that the results of the reading test can be used to determine the level of difficulty of the conventions of language test items (tailored test design).

The tests will be taken in the following order:

1. Writing
2. Reading
3. Conventions of Language (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
4. Numeracy.

Online tailored testing

During the test, students are presented with sets of questions based on their performance. Many of these questions are of mid-range complexity for each year level, but some are of higher or lower complexity. Students who experience difficulty early in the test are given some questions of lower complexity, more suited to their performance. These students are less likely to become discouraged as they progress through the tests. High-achieving students are given questions that they find more challenging.

Students who complete a more complex pathway are more likely to achieve a higher score (and a higher band placement). Students who answer the same number of questions correctly, but follow a less complex pathway, will achieve a lower score.

The above information is taken from <https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment> , refer to this site for further information and FAQs.

ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

SEMESTER 1 - Summary

Hand-in assessments are general due on a Monday unless specified otherwise. 'In class' assessments may occur on any of your timetabled lessons during the week, this will be indicated on the Assessment Notification.

wk	TERM 1	TERM 2
1	30 Jan	24 Apr
2	6 Feb	1 May
3	13 PDHPE –Prac Assessment (Wks 3-10)	8 Geography – Landscapes and Landforms
4	20	15 Music –Blues Composition & performance
5	27	22
6	6 Mar	29
7	13 NAPLAN	5 June English - Honey Spot
8	20 NAPLAN PDHPE – Changes in Me	12 RE – Exploring the Bible Visual Art – Artwork and written response
9	27 NAPLAN (Monday catchups) RE – Belonging to the Catholic Community Science - Practical and skills test Visual Art – Artwork and written response	19 Science - Physics theory and data analysis
10	3 Apr TAS – Design Project	26

SEMESTER 2 - Summary

wk	TERM 3	TERM 4
1	17 July	9 Oct
		Music - Composition task
2	24	16
3	31	23
4	7 Aug	30
	Music - Rock Music Performance & Theory PDHPE - Movement Performance - Dance (Wks 4-10)	History & Geography – exam Music - Listening
5	14	6 Nov
	RE – Caring For Our Common Home (wks 5-9)	English - Harry Potter RE – Protecting Human Dignity TAS – Project Visual Art – Artwork and written response
6	21	13
		English - English PAT Test Maths - Mathematics PAT Test
7	28	20
	History – Ancient World Depth Study 1	
8	4 Sept	27
	PDHPE – A Healthy Me Survey	
9	11	4 Dec
	English - Coraline Science - Biology topic test Visual Art – Artwork and written response	
10	18	11
	TAS – Design Project	

COURSE ASSESSMENT SCHEDULES

ENGLISH

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 2, Week 7	Honey Spot Extended response completed in class.	30
Term 3, Week 9	Coraline Short answer and paragraph responses completed in class.	30
Term 4, Week 5	Harry Potter Extended response completed in class.	30
Term 4, Week 6	English PAT Reading Adaptive	10
	TOTAL	100

HSIE – Geography & History

TERM / WEEK	TASK – DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT
Term 2, Week 3 <i>First lesson of the week</i>	Ae1 Geography Unit: Landscapes and Landforms Task: Skills, Concepts and Tools -using them effectively in Geography responses. Short responses completed in class	50
Term 3, Week 7 <i>First lesson of the week</i>	Ae2 History Unit: The Ancient World Topics: Depth Study 1: Investigating the Ancient Past – Ancient Australia Task: Source based response	50
Term 4, Week 4	Ae3 Geography and History Examination Geography Unit: Place and Liveability AND Landscapes and Landforms AND History Unit: The Ancient World AND Depth Study 2: The Mediterranean World - Ancient Egypt Task: Examination	50 50
Note: History grade will be generated from Task 2 and Task 3: Geography grade from Task 1 and Task 3. Both Grades will be shown on the Semester 2 report.		

MATHEMATICS

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
On going Assessment following the 2-week test cycle in Maths Pathways		90
Term 4, Week 6/7	Mathematics PAT test	10
	TOTAL	100

MUSIC

Term / Week	Task - Description	Weight
Term 2, Week 4	Blues composition and performance	40
Term 3, Week 4	Rock Music Performance and Summary Examination	35
Term 4, Week 1	Composition task	10
Term 4, Week 4	Listening	15
	TOTAL	100

PDHPE

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 1, Week 8	Writing a letter on 'Changes in me'	25
Term 1, Weeks 3 -10	Active for Life 1 - Practical Assessment	25
Term 3, Week 8	A Healthy Me Survey – Written task	25
Term 3, Weeks 4-10	Movement performance - Dance	25
	TOTAL	100

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TERM / WEEK	TASK – DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT
Term 1, Week 9/10	Topic: B7 Belonging our Catholic community. In-class: Formative Assessment (focus on literacy genre)	0
Term 2, Week 8	<i>Topic: A7 Exploring the Bible</i> <i>In-class topic test</i>	30
Term 3, Week 5-9	Topic: C7 Caring for Our Common Home Common Diocesan Assessment- on-going in class short answer responses	35
Term 4, Week 5	Topic: E7 Protecting Human Dignity Scriptural reflection and empathy task	35
	TOTAL	100

SCIENCE

TERM / WEEK	TASK – DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT
Term 1 Week 9	Practical and skills test	33
Term 2 Week 9	Physics theory and data analysis	33
Term 3 Week 9	Biology topic test	34
	TOTAL	100

TAS

TERM / WEEK	TASK – DESCRIPTION <i>(SOME CLASSES WILL DO THE TWO ASSESSMENTS IN THE REVERSE ORDER)</i>	WEIGHT
Term 1, Week 10	Co 2 and Electric Cars folio and product Context: Engineered Systems	40
Term 3, Week 10	Grow and Thrive folio and product Context: Agriculture and Food Technologies	30
Term 4, Week 5	Scratch Gaming folio and product Context: Digital Technologies	30
	TOTAL	100

VISUAL ARTS

TERM / WEEK	TASK – DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT
Term 1 Week 9	Unit: "It's Elementary, My Dear!" Art Making: Painting (classwork) Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response in class	25
Term 2 Week 8	Unit: "Print That!" Art Making: print (classwork) Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response in class	25
Term 3 Week 9	Unit: "Cats and Dogs" Art Making: ceramics Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response in class	25
Term 4 Week 5	Unit: "Look at me, look at Me" Art Making: Portrait artwork Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response in class	25
	TOTAL	100