

Assessment Handbook 2023

YEAR 9

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 late 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.

W k	Term 1	Term 2
1	30 Jan	24 Apr
2	6 Feb	1 May
3	13	Commerce – Research & Analysis Report 8
	PDHPE - Fitness plan (Wks 3-10)	
4	20	History – Exam
5	27	22
6	PASS – Prac Assessment (Wks 5-11) 6 Mar	Japanese - My Town Project 29
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7	Japanese- My Family task	Maths – Test (in class) Maths Compacted – Test (in class) Science – Physics Practical Skills
8	Drama - Informative Video Food Technology – Food in Australia History – Making a Better World RE – Scripture Study	Drama – Realistic Scene & logbook Food Technology – Special Occasions Music – Performance Exam & Composition
9	Maths – Test (in class) Maths Compacted – Test (in class) Music – Viva Voce & Progress Check Textiles – Introduction to textiles Building – Small Projects PASS - Anatomy & Physiology exam PDM – Artwork and written response Science – Biology Topic Test Visual Art – Artwork and written response	Visual Art – Artwork and written response – in class PDM – Artwork and written response English – Romeo & Juliet
10	3 Apr Graphics – Industrial Design Industrial Technology – Hand Plane Information Software Technology - Automated Systems English – Persuasive Writing	Graphics – Cabinet & Furniture Graphics Industrial Technology – Decorative Box Information Software Technology - Database

SEMESTER 2 - Summary

wk	Term 3	Term 4	
1	17 July		9 Oct
2	Commerce – Research Report		16
3	PASS – Practical Assessment (Wks 2-8) Textiles – Textile Art	Music – Performance Japanese - Yearly Examination	23
4	7 Aug	English – Avatar Food Technology – Yearly Exam Geography - Exam Maths – Yearly Exam PDM – Artwork and written response RE – Search for Meaning Textiles – Sweet Dream's Pyjama's Visual Art – Artwork and written response	30
5	14	•	6 Nov
6	21	Drama - Comic performance Graphics - Architecture & Landscape Graphics Industrial Technology - Coffee Table Maths Compacted - PAT Test	13
7	Geography - Changing Places Japanese - My Week Maths - In class Test Maths Compacted - In class Test RE - Living a Loving Life		20
8	## A Sep Building - House Frames Food Technology - Nutrition & Consumption PDHPE - Research task Music - Notation Composition & Listening Exam Science - Chemistry in class assessment		27
9	Commerce – Exam Drama - Group performance & logbook Visual Art – Artwork and written response – in class PDM – Artwork and written response English – The Happiest Refugee		4 Dec
10	18 Information Software Technology - Software Design		11

COURSE ASSESSMENT SCHEDULES

ENGLISH

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 1, Week 10	Persuasive Writing In class extended response	30
Term 2, Week 9	Romeo and Juliet Hand in multi-modal response	30
Term 3, Week 9	Avatar In class extended response	30
Term 4, Week 4	Happiest Refugee Formative task	0
Term 4, Week 5	English PAT Test	10
	TOTAL	100

HSIE

Term /Week	Task – Description	Weight	
Term 1, Week 8 During last available lesson of the week	Ae1 (History) THE MAKING OF THE MODERN WORLD (Overview) Depth Study 1- Making a Better World Movement of People	15	
Term 2, Week 4	Ae2 (History) THE MAKING OF THE MODERN WORLD (Overview) Depth Study 3 - Australians at War Examination - Depth Study 1 and 3 Extended response- WW1	35	
Please note this 50% will be used to generate the final History grade for Yr 9, shown on Semester 1 report			
Term 3, Week 7 During last available lesson of the week	Ae 3 (Geography) Changing Places- Written response Urbanisation and migration	15	
Term 4, Week 4	Ae4 (Geography) Sustainable Biomes Topic: Biomes and Food security Examination- Changing Places and Sustainable Biomes Extended response- Sustainable Biomes	35	
Please note this 50% will be used to generate the final Geography grade for Yr 9, shown on Semester 2 reports			

MATHEMATICS

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 1, Week 9	In class Topic Test	20
Term 2, Week 7	In class Test	20
Term 3, Week 7	In class test	20
Term 4 Week 4	End of Year Exam	30
Term 4 Week 5/6	Mathematics PAT Test	10
	TOTAL	100

MATHEMATICS COMPACTED

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 1, Week 9	In class Topic Test	20
Term 2, Week 7	In class Test	20
Term 3, Week 7	In class Test	20
Term 4 Week 5	Yearly Exam	30
Term 4 Week 6/7	Mathematics PAT Test	10
	TOTAL	100

PDHPE

Term / Week	Task-Description	Weight
Term 1, Weeks 3 - 10	Get active, stay active - Individualised Fitness Plan	50
Term 3, Weeks 3-10	Design and participate in modified games - Practical Assessment	25
Term 3 Week 8	Literacy research task and written response	25
	TOTAL	100

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please note that there is currently a new curriculum for Year 9 Religious Education being developed by Catholic Schools Broken Bay. This has impacted the roll out of Assessment Tasks for the year. Students will be advised on a term-by-term basis of upcoming assessments and will receive regular notification, as per College assessment procedures closer to the date.

TERM / WEEK	TASK - DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT
Term 1, Week 8	Topic: A9 Exploring Ancient Words Assessment: In-class scriptural study	30
Term 2, Week 6/7	Topic: D9 Called to Healing and Hope Assessment: in class formative assessment	0
Term 3, Week 7/8	Topic: E-9 Living a Loving Life Assessment: Diocesan Common Assessment	35
Term 4, Week 4	Topic: The Search for Meaning Assessment: Research comparative task on a religious worldview and Catholic worldview	35
	TOTAL	100

SCIENCE

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 9	Biology topic test	33
Term 2 Week 7	Physics Practical skills	33
Term 3 Week 8	Chemistry in class assessment	34
	TOTAL	100

ELECTIVES

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION - 100 HRS

Term / Week	Task - Description	Weight
Term 1, Week 9	Small practical projects including: Concrete Float, Nail Tray and Mitre Box	30
Term 2, Week 6	Computer Aided Design and Drafting	15
Term 3 , week 8	House Frames	40
Term 4, Week 5	Project Planning	15
	TOTAL	100

COMMERCE - 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 2 Week 2	Research and Analysis Response – Hand in report and oral presentation	30
Term 3 Week 2	Law Society and Political Involvement - Research/Report	30
Term 3 Week 9	Examination- Consumer and Finacial Decisions, Promotion and Selling Law in Action Law Society and Political Involvement	40
	TOTAL	100

DRAMA - 100 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 8	Informative Video and logbook	20
Term 2 Week 9	Group Performance and logbook	30
Term 3 Week 9	Realistic performance and logbook	30
Term 4 Week 6	Comic performance and logbook	20
	TOTAL	100

FOOD TECHNOLOGY - 100 AND 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 8	Food in Australia - research task	25
Term 2 Week 8	Food for Special Occasions – Students plan a child's party.	25
Term 3 Week 8	Nutrition and Consumption – Students research a diet related disorder.	25
Term 4 Week 4	Yearly Examination	25
	TOTAL	100

GRAPHICS TECHNOLOGY 100Hrs

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 10	Industrial Design Graphics	25
Term 2 Week 10	Cabinet and Furniture graphics	30
Term 4 Week 6	Architecture and Landscape graphics	45
	TOTAL	100

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY TIMBER - 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight	
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Term 1 Week 10	Produce a Hand Plane using a range of basic industrial skills.	25
Term 2 Week 10	Decorative Box - Design, development and production.	35
Term 4 Week 5	In Class Theory test	20
Term 4 Week 6	Coffee Table - Orthographic working drawing and practical.	20
	TOTAL	100

INFORMATION SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGY - 100 AND 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 10	Automated Systems Tiny House	25
Term 2 Week 10	Database Design Deep data analysis and data mining	25
Term 3 Week 10	Robotics Robocup inspired tasks	25
Term 4 Week 6	Software Design and Development	25
	TOTAL	100

JAPANESE - 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 7	My Family task	20
Term 2 Week 5	My Town Project	30
Term 3 Week 7	My Week	20
Term 4 Week 3	Yearly Examination	30
	TOTAL	100

MUSIC - 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 9	Viva Voce and Performance Progress Check	15

Term 2 Week 8	Performance Exam and Composition	30
Term 3 Week 8	Notation Composition Task and Listening Examination	40
Term 4 Week 3	Performance	15
	TOTAL	100

P.A.S.S. - 100 & 200 hrs

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Weeks 5- 11	Improvement in Performance Practical Assessment	25
Term 1 Weeks 9 -10	Anatomy & Physiology Exam	25
Term 3 Weeks 2 - 8	Fitness Testing and Programming	50
	TOTAL	100

PHOTOGRAPHIC & DIGITAL MEDIA - 100 HRS

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 9	Unit: Shapes and Shadow Art Making: Photography works Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	30
Term 2 Week 9	Unit: Miniature World and Digital Dreams Art Making: Photography works Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	20
Term 3 Week 9	Unit: Light it Up! Art Making: photography work Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	30
Term 4 Week 4	Unit: Fractured Fairy Tales Art Making: Animation Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	20
	TOTAL	100

TEXTILES TECHNOLOGY - 100 hrs

Term / Week	Task – Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 9	Introduction to textiles	30
Term 3 Week 3	Textile Art	35
Term 4 Week 4	Sweet Dream's Pyjama's	35
	TOTAL	100

VISUAL ARTS - 200 HRS

Term / Week	Task - Description	Weight
Term 1 Week 9	Unit: Contemporary Cultural Artefacts Art Making: Ceramic pots Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	20
Term 2 Week 9	Unit: Colour My World Art Making: Artwork colour pencil & time-lapse clip Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	30
Term 3 Week 9	Unit: Flower Power Fantastic Art Making: painting & time-lapse clip Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	30
Term 4 Week 4	Unit: The Face that Stops a Nation Art Making: painting & time-lapse clip Art Criticism and Historical Study: written response	20
	TOTAL	100