TODAY’S LESSON:

KEEPING NAPLAN IN PERSPECTIVE

1) NAPLAN is about making sure your child is on track in the important areas of literacy and numeracy.

Good literacy and numeracy levels are fundamental to a child’s learning and development. If children are not going as well as they should in these areas, then parents and teachers need to be aware of this as soon as possible.

2) NAPLAN helps you see your child’s growth and achievements

Not only does NAPLAN provide data on your child’s achievements in literacy and numeracy, but if they continue with NAPLAN at each opportunity, you can see their growth across a seven-year schooling period.

3) NAPLAN isn’t high stakes testing and it amounts to less than 16 hours over 7 years of schooling.

Parents and teachers should place NAPLAN into context and reassure children about its purpose – to identify, as early as possible, a child’s strengths and areas for development to make sure they are progressing in literacy and numeracy.