NAPLAN gets people talking...

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 take the NAPLAN tests in May

NAPLAN is about driving improvement in our schools. Valuable data are used for forward planning, allocating support and resources and tracking the progress and achievements of individual students, as well as an entire group of students, over the course of their educational journey.

The annual publication of these results on the My School website helps schools and jurisdictions to be accountable and transparent to the community.

Teacher/school
- Identify any areas for improvement and track progress from previous years
- Discuss strategies on how best to address areas of need and support the student in future learning

Parents/carers and child
- See how well the student is going compared to students in their school and nationally
- Celebrate achievements and identify any areas for improvement; follow up discussion with teachers

Schools
- Use data to better understand knowledge and skills, abilities and achievements of students in a school
- Identify any areas for improvement, develop strategies for individual students and groups of students in areas of need

Governments/School authorities
- School authorities can compare schools in their jurisdiction to other states/territories, particularly trends in data
- Use data to inform future planning and support for schools

Community
- Public and media discussion of findings of NAPLAN national report at Australia-wide level

Schools
- Share strategies and positive outcomes among schools

Governments/School authorities
- Parents can use My School as one source of information about their child’s schooling, alongside other information
- Parents can make comparisons between their child’s school and others catering for students with similar socio-educational backgrounds