2016 NAPLAN Results

26th August 2016

Dear Parents

Please find enclosed your child’s 2016 NAPLAN results. I am proud of your child’s efforts as they have demonstrated commitment and have tried their best during the testing week. A principal in England wrote to her parents about a similar test, I draw upon her message.

"It is important to recognise NAPLAN does not always assess all of what it is that makes each student special and unique. The people who create the NAPLAN tests and score them do not know each student—the way their teachers do, the way I hope to, and certainly not the way the families do. They do not know that your child can play a musical instrument or can dance or paint a picture. They do not know your child has friends who count on your child to be there for them or that your child’s laughter can brighten the dullest day. They do not know that your child writes poetry or songs, plays or participates in sports or wonders about the future. They do not know that your child can tell a great story or that they really love spending time with family members and friends. They do not know that your child can be trustworthy, kind or thoughtful, and that your child tries, every day, to be the very best they can be... the scores your child gets will tell you something, but they will not tell you everything.” Rachel Tomlinson, Principal of Barrowford Primary School in Lancashire, England.

Parents, I encourage you to take the time to look over your child’s NAPLAN results and be proud of the effort your child put towards the NAPLAN tests. Compare the NAPLAN results with the Semester One Report. Identify the positives and establish goals together. Highlight to your child the importance of doing their best and being their best, at all times. Parents are welcome to make an appointment with their child’s class teacher if they have any questions about the NAPLAN results and their child’s performance across the curriculum.

Yours sincerely,

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