

## NAPLAN Test Update and Student Withdrawal Form



Little Yarra  
STEINER SCHOOL

2nd May 2022

Dear Parents

All schools in Australia, as part of their funding agreement, are required to offer parents the opportunity for their children to be assessed through NAPLAN. Parents are free to choose whether they consent to their children participating in this form of standardized testing, and may decide to withdraw their children from inclusion in NAPLAN.

Many of our parents will be aware that the Australian Steiner Curriculum offered at our school is accredited as consistent with the academic standards of the national curriculum. However, there are minor differences in the time and manner in which some content is presented and assessed.

For this and other reasons, many parents in both Steiner and mainstream schools have chosen to withdraw their children from participation in NAPLAN in the past. As a consequence, we continue to plan to have our normal educational program on offer for all withdrawn students during the testing period, which takes place on three consecutive days: 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of May.

Should you wish for your child to participate in NAPLAN, no further action is needed. Should you decide to withdraw your child from participation, **please come into the office and sign the withdrawal form as soon as possible.**

If you have any questions or require more information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact either your Class teacher or guardian, or myself.

Kind regards

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