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Dear Families,

Important Assessment Information for Year 3-6

We ask that all students bring a pair of headphones (over the head earphones, not ear buds or air pods) to school, if they do not already have these at school.

Headphones will be required from the beginning of next week, Week 9, Monday 22 March 2021.

If your child prefers to use a mouse, this too can be brought to add to their school technology kit.

Year 4 and Year 6 Check in Assessments

Year 4 and Year 6 will take part in the 2021 Check-in Assessments. The Check-in assessment is an online reading and numeracy assessment. The Check-in assessment can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. The assessments are mapped to the NSW Syllabuses and National Literacy and Numeracy Learning Progressions. These assessments will be used to inform teaching and learning and as an assessment tool for teachers.

Reports will not be provided to parents. Assessments for Year 4 and Year 6 will take place in Week 2 Term2, the week beginning 26 April 2021.

Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN Assessments

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) is the independent statutory authority responsible for the overall management of the Australian National Assessment Program (NAPLAN), in collaboration with representatives from all states and territories and non-government school sectors.

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It tests the types of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. The tests cover skills in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken every year in the second full week in May.

The following dates have been scheduled for the 2021 NAPLAN at Lake Cathie Public School. Please ensure your child attends school on these days.

Week 4 Tuesday 11 May NAPLAN Writing Year 3 and Year 5

Week 4 Wednesday 12 May NAPLAN Reading Year 3

Week 4 Friday 14 May NAPLAN Year 3 Language Conventions and

NAPLAN Year 5 Reading

Week 5 Monday 17 May NAPLAN Year 3 Mathematics and

NAPLAN Year 5 Language Conventions

Week 5 Tuesday 18 May NAPLAN Year 5 Mathematics

There will be catch up assessment days for any student who is absent on the above dates. These will take place on Friday 14 May, Wednesday 19 May and Thursday 20 May 2021.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind regards

Mrs Annette Bailey and Mrs Karin Haleblian

Assistant Principals