

As a school Principal I work with teachers to use NAPLAN data as another indicator of tracking student progress in order to inform planning for teaching experiences that are in line with the children's learning needs. In this context, we encourage all students to sit the NAPLAN tests, including those with a disability as we want rigorous data from a number of different sources to inform our planning. Therefore we run an extremely high risk of having data published on a League Table that may reflect negatively on the school. We have not backed away from our commitment to having all children sit NAPLAN as a component of our data collection processes, and hold dear to our philosophy that excellent everyday teaching practices will provide students with the skills to sit the tests. We steer right away from those people that want to sell multitudes of NAPLAN preparation activities. I would hate to think that our philosophy and ideals will be compromised if the My School website remains in its current form, and the creation of League tables is allowed to happen.