

PISA is coming to our school!

Our school is participating in the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), which is taking place in Australian between 18 July and 9 September 2022.

PISA is an important part of the National Assessment Program in Australia, which is the measure through which governments, education authorities and schools can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes. All Australian Education Ministers have agreed to Australian schools' participation in PISA, which is reflected in the Australian Education Act 2013.

International assessments provide a wide range of valuable information for education policy and review in Australia and overseas and also enable Australia to consider the performance of our education system compared with others.

Since the first PISA assessment involving 32 countries in 2000, the survey has continued to raise interest amongst educators and policy-makers world-wide. In 2022, Australia will be one of over 85 countries participating in PISA with around 15,000 students (from around 800 schools) representing our country.

What will PISA mean for our school?

A random sample of 15-year-old, mostly from Years 10 and 11, will be sampled to complete a two-hour computer-based assessment consisting of mathematics, science, reading, and creative thinking. These students will also be asked to complete a questionnaire.

A random sample of teachers will be asked to compete an online questionnaire which will collect information on classroom instruction, teachers' educational backgrounds, training, and teaching experiences.

As an international assessment, every participating school and student has an important role in showing the rest of the world what Australia can do.

ACER will provide our school and participating students with a certificate, recognising our contribution. Each student will also receive access to the *Insight* video series.

Date of Assessment: Monday 1 August

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