

#### **Best Start Year 7 Assessment**

## Dear parents and carers

Year 7 students will participate in the Best Start Year 7 Assessment in Term 1, 2020. Best Start Year 7 is an online literacy and numeracy assessment available to secondary schools that assesses key literacy and numeracy skills of Year 7 students. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students who may require additional support in developing their literacy and numeracy skills. The assessment is undertaken within the first five weeks of the school year.

The purpose of the Best Start Year 7 assessment is to provide feedback to teachers to help identify student needs. Feedback will be provided to teachers who may choose to share this with students, parents and carers during teacher interview processes.

Best Start Year 7 is just one of a range of assessments the school uses to assess students.

Please inform the school if your child requires support to complete an online assessment.

#### Dates:

Best Start Year 7 assessments will take place in Week 4 and Week 5 of Term 1 and will be scheduled during a Maths, an English and a Science lessons over the following dates:

- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February

- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Students will be notified of their scheduled assessment times closer to the date and will need to ensure they are prepared for all other timetabled lessons.

### What to bring:

In order to listen to the audio components of the test, students will need to bring with them headphones that can be plugged into a computer. The type of computer connection needed is a jack or USB (pictured next page):



If your child needs earbuds provided by the school, please contact 4634 7700.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Best Start, you can contact Oran Park High School via the school phone number.

Kind Regards,

Mr B Mitchell

Principal

Date 3/2/21

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