

Assessment schedule 2026

Term 1												
W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11		
	NAPLAN familiarisation activities 2 Feb – 10 Mar (if required)						NAPLAN 11–23 Mar					
Best Start Kindergarten (first full 5 weeks of school) (to 6 March Eastern, 13 March Western)												
	Supplementary Year 7 assessment 9–27 Feb											

Term 2											
W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11	
			Year 1 Number Screening Check 11–29 May								

Term 3											
W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11	
Check-in Assessment, Y7–9 21 Jul – 28 Aug (Week 6 – Finalisation Week)						VALID Science, Y10 31 Aug – 11 Sept					
			Year 1 Phonics Screening Check 10–28 Aug								
			Check-in Assessment, Y3–6 24 Aug – 25 Sept (Week 10 – Finalisation Week)								

Term 4											
W1	W2	W3	W4	W5	W6	W7	W8	W9	W10	W11	
			VALID Science, Y8 26 Oct – 6 Nov								

As of 30 January 2026.

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● mandatory ● if required ● optional