Trial of Numeracy Tests

ACER Testing of selected Year 7 & 9 classes

**Parents of 7 English Red and 9 English 2 please read on.**

Macksville High School has been selected to participate in a trial of Numeracy tests by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). The Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) has been commissioned by ACARA to undertake this trial.

The purpose of the study is to determine whether the questions in the trial tests are of

sufficient quality to be included in future tests.  **It will not be used to report individual**

**student or class results.**

Your child has been included in the sample group of students who are being tested to

collect information about the test questions. At this stage the school has mailed out this information to the relevant families.

Testing will occur on Thursday 5th August during normal lessons. Students will sit for one

Numeracy test. The test takes approximately one hour to complete. Students are required to bring a 2B pencil and a calculator.

The data collected will include your child’s name so that feedback can be given to the

school about school performance on the tests. However, in all reports the emphasis is on

the way the test questions have performed. Information regarding an individual student’s

performance is strictly confidential and no individual student or school information is

reported to the state jurisdiction.

If you would like further information about the trial study, please contact Macksville High School or Phillip Arthur at ACER Sydney, on 8338 6808.