

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

We Grow Through Connection

Just a reminder that **Tuesday, December 10th**, is the State-wide Orientation day for the 2025 year 7 students. To make the transition as stress free for your child as possible we will also have an extra day's transition on **Monday, December 9th**.

We understand that some primary schools have graduation activities on the Monday evening. If your child needs to leave earlier than 3.15pm on the Monday you will need to pick them up and sign them out through our front office. If someone other than yourself is picking them up can you please send them with a signed note authorising the collection of your child.

We encourage your child to dress comfortably for being active on the Orientation days with shoes suitable for playing sport. If the weather is hot please supply them with a water bottle and a hat.

We will be beginning the Monday program with a short assembly to get everyone organised at 9 am in the college Gym. Students will be organised in to their 2025 form groups for the first time on Monday morning. These classes have been organised based on the recommendations of their primary school teachers and what will best support the students learning. We are certain that they will make many new friends on the day and over the course of first term.

The focus of the Monday program will be Wellbeing and it will allow students to familiarise themselves with the day to day operation of the college. We will offer a sausage sizzle lunch on the day at 1.00pm, we will have some vegetarian and halal options available. Any students who need to leave early may do so at this time, again by signing out at the front office. Children staying until the end of the normal school day will have some sports activities to finish the day.

On Tuesday students will be able to experience a normal day at secondary school. They will be assigned classes and will get the opportunity to meet many of our staff and to move around the college. We will be doing some preparation on reading the school timetable and there will be plenty of help on hand. Your child will need to bring pens, dress comfortably, wear covered sensible shoes, carry a water bottle, and bring their lunch and their morning snacks as the canteen will be closed.

If you have any concerns or need further information, please contact the college on 5945 1433. We look forward to meeting your children.

Thank you

Kay Chandler

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