Transitioning to High School –
Frequently Asked Questions by Students

What can I expect the first day of high school to be like?

The first day of high school will focus on orientating you so that you feel confident to find your way around the school and understand the school’s routines and procedures. Your Form Teacher who sees you at the start of each day and your Year Level Coordinator will support you to understand your timetable and how to use your school diary.

How many teachers will I have?

In year 7 you will have two (2) core teachers. These teachers will teach you for Math, Science, SOSE and English as well as form class each day. You will then have the opportunity to meet other teachers when you participate in elective subjects such as Drama, Visual Art, Food Studies, Manual Arts and Health and Physical Education.

In year 8 you will have two (2) core teachers. These teachers will teach you for Math, Science, SOSE and English as well as form class each day. You will then have the opportunity to meet other teachers when you participate in elective subjects such as Drama, Visual Art, Food Studies, Manual Arts and Health and Physical Education.

Where will I sit at lunch?

As a year 7/8 student you will have access to 2 areas, one located in the main school area and one located on the school oval or Manual Arts MPA (dependant on weather). These areas will be supervised at all times by various teachers including your Form Teacher and Year Level Coordinator. Shade and seating are provided in both areas. Toilets, water coolers, easy access to your form room and Junior Secondary Teachers are situated in the main school area. Water coolers are also situated at the Manual Arts block.

Will I have one classroom?

You will have a form room where all your core subjects will be taught. You will have the opportunity to visit specialist classroom spaces for subjects such as Science, Food Studies, Art and Manual Arts.
What is the structure of my day at high school?

Each day commences with form class where you will be greeted by your form teacher, during this time a roll will be marked and notices for the day will be read. You will then participate in your lessons for each day. Each day starts at 8:55 am and finishes at 3:05 pm.

Do I have an opportunity to be a school leader?

There are many opportunities for year 7/8 students to be leaders in the school, this includes student council, Junior Secondary Leaders. We have a leadership program that aims to develop quality leadership attributes and build student’s skills.

Is there a year 7 and 8 camp?

We can assure you that we are keen to provide students with this opportunity, our school camps are based on interest and financial backing from parents and an expression of interest and deposit will be required before camps are confirmed. Locations include Fairbairn Dam and The Caves.

Is it ok for a parent to come to school with me?

Absolutely, we encourage parents to visit the school. Parades are a wonderful opportunity for parents to be involved in your learning, these occur each Monday morning. We will offer parents other opportunities to visit the school and be involved in your learning.

What does the transition program involve?

The transition program will provide you with an opportunity to experience the reality of high school including attending lessons, navigating around the school grounds and meeting teachers. We conduct our transition program in term three and four each year and this extends over several weeks.

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