

Frequently Asked Questions

Can you please advise the average class size?

Average class size for Year 7 Students will be around 24-26 students, currently class sizes are still being determined.

I've ordered the recommended laptop, which will be sent to school. Will I be notified to pick it up? When the equipment arrives at the school the reception will call/email you to let you know it has arrived and organise a time for you to come in and collect it.

Do we need to supply a lock for the lockers, or are they provided?

All combination locks will be provided to students by the school. Students will have plenty of assistance in using the locks at Orientation Day and during term 1. (Watch video.)

Can we use textbooks previously used by older siblings?

Textbooks from older siblings may be used but it would be a good idea to check the booklist to see if they are the same version/edition as some books may have slight changes in content or page numbering. You can access the booklist from this Transition website, when they are available in Term 4.

When will we find out about classes?

Classes will be formed and monitored during term 1.

Is it standard for parents to come into the school with their child on Orientation Day?

On orientation day students will need to be dropped off at 8:45am, drop off only is available on Springfield Rd or Tirana St (no need to sign in/out your children). Students will then be directed to the Performing Arts Centre (PAC) where students will be welcomed and the day will be run through. In order to ease student anxiety, we have found it beneficial in the past if students are dropped off, parents say their goodbyes at the car and quietly leave.

What should I wear on orientation day?

Students are to wear their primary school uniform, preferably something to enable them to participate in a Sport class, particularly runners.

What time will my child be finished on orientation day?

The students can be collected from reception at approx. 3.00pm (or a little earlier dependent on sessions finishing time). Please plan your pre arranged pick up point on any of the streets surrounding the school. Please note, the carparks on college grounds are for staff only.

Will the first day and week of school allow for a lot of transition opportunities for students to become comfortable and connected?

Orientation day will be an opportunity for students to become comfortable in their surroundings and meet other students and some teachers throughout the day. The first day of school will also be an opportunity to connect with more teachers and get to know different subjects and classrooms. During the first few weeks, teachers will run many different activities which allow students to connect.

What do we need for the first day?

The first day of Term 1 is Wednesday 28 January. Students will need to arrive at school between 8:30 – 8:40 am. We will begin our day in the Performing Arts Centre (PAC). Students will need to be in full summer uniform and bring the following items:

- Exercise Book/ Note pad
- Pencil case with pens and colour pencils
- Recess snacks, Lunch and a Water Bottle

A combination lock which will be provided for you to use.

You should **NOT** bring all your text books on the first day. These can be brought in over the first few days.