

Information For Year 7 2021

Orientation Day

Orientation Day for Year 7 2021 students will take place on **Tuesday 08 December 2020**.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions start and finish times for Orientation Day will vary from class to class. This information will be sent home late next week.

Lunch will be provided.

Please bring completed booklists, pens and pencils.

During the day students will participate in a range of activities in their Year 7 class.

This provides them with a chance to get to know others in the class and some of their teachers.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 08 December 2020.



Orientation Day

Bring booklists.
Casual clothes.
Bring pens & paper.
Lunch provided.

Orders can be submitted online at www.campion.com.au using code "GJAN" or return the completed list to the College on Orientation Day.

Second hand books

Second hand copies of the Maths book, English novel and a limited number of calculators will be available to purchase. Books are bought and sold for half the price on the current booklist.

The Second hand Booksale Day for Year 7 is Monday 14 December 2020.

Year 7 books available for sale

1. ICE EM Maths Year 7 (\$36.00)
2. The Fall (\$8.00)
3. Casio Calculator FX-82AU (\$15.00)

Book Collection Day

If purchasing books through the College supplier, these need to be collected on Friday 22nd January, 2021 at the College.

Book Collection Day

Friday 22 January 2021

A-G 9am - 11am
H-M 11am - 1pm
N-Z 1pm - 3pm
ALL - 3pm - 3.30

Payment on collection day is by cash, EFTPOS or credit card. Allow \$10.00 for price increases.
Cheques are not accepted.

Booklists

Enclosed you will find the Year 7 booklist for 2021. Parents can purchase texts and stationery from the College supplier or from other sources. When buying books it is important to check that you have the correct edition.

In order to have a smooth start to Year 7, it is important that students have all their books and equipment for the first school day of the year, Friday 29 January 2021

Arrangements for the start of the 2021 School Year

Year 7 students begin school at 9am on Friday 29 January 2021.

This day is for Year 7 students only. Students have the chance to settle in and get to know each other, their teachers and the College before everyone else returns. Students will receive their timetable and locker; complete a tour of the College and be introduced to key people and procedures. Some classes will begin on this day.

Whilst beginning a new school can be a little daunting, always remember that there are many willing helpers to assist and to give advice! All have their own funny first day stories to tell.

Our delightful and willing Year 10 Peer Support Leaders will be at the College to assist the Year 7's. On this day you'll need to bring your textbooks and stationery so that you can get your locker and books sorted. Lunch will be provided.

And as it is the first day, school will finish at 2.15pm!

DAY 1 - Friday 29 January 2021

What do I need to bring?

Pens
Pencils
Textbooks
Stationery
Recess snack.

Where do I go?
The College Hall

What do I wear?
Full school uniform.

Key themes for Year 7

"As Year 7 students, we always show respect for ourselves and each other."

"At our school we always resolve issues peacefully."

The School Day

Part of the excitement and challenge of Year 7 is getting used to the timetable, periods and being organised for class.

Students only go to their lockers before school, at recess, lunchtime and after school. They need to take books for the lessons between breaks.

It's important to get to school early in the first weeks to give yourself a few extra minutes to get organised and to be at class on time.

School Hours

Locker Bell	8:40am
Period 1	8:45am
Period 2	9:45am
Homeroom	10:45am
Recess	11:05am
Period 3	11:25am
Period 4	12.25pm
Lunch	1:25pm
Lockers	2:05pm
Period 5	2:10pm
Dismissal	3:10pm



Year 7 Class Names and Houses

The Year 7 Classes are named after Victorian rivers:

7 Kiewa
7 Snowy
7 Wimmera
7 Yarra

On coming to the College you are also allocated to a House. The College has four Houses: **Reis** named after Fr Conrad Reis, the first Parish Priest of the St Albans area, and **O'Reilly**, **Guelen** and **Corbett**, named after the Parish Priests of Sacred Heart, Resurrection and Holy Eucharist in our foundation year 1978.

The names of your Class and House will be sent out next week.

Uniform

College Uniform Policy

At the College we have a very smart uniform and it is important that students wear it correctly, neatly and proudly. Please carefully read over our Uniform Policy to assist in getting ready for the beginning of the year.

Please note: Shoes must be black leather lace up.

Ordering Uniforms

Our uniform supplier, Academy Uniforms, is now located at 10/85 Derrimut Road, Deer Park.

Opening hours are:
Monday: 9am - 5pm
Tuesday: 9am - 5pm
Wednesday: 9am - 5pm
Thursday: 9am - 5pm
Friday: 9am - 5pm
Saturday: 9am - 2pm

We remind parents that all items of uniform need to be purchased through Academy Uniforms as they all have the College logo in some form. Uniforms can be put on layby.

Information you might need for the first few days...

Canteen and Lunch Orders.

The College canteen is open before school for breakfast items, at recess and at lunchtime. To avoid the hassle of queues we advise students order their lunch. This is done at the canteen in the morning or at recess. Orders are collected via the express lane at lunchtime.

First Aid

If you are feeling unwell, make sure you speak with a teacher who will send you to the sick bay which is in the Office. At lunch or recess you can go directly to the Office.

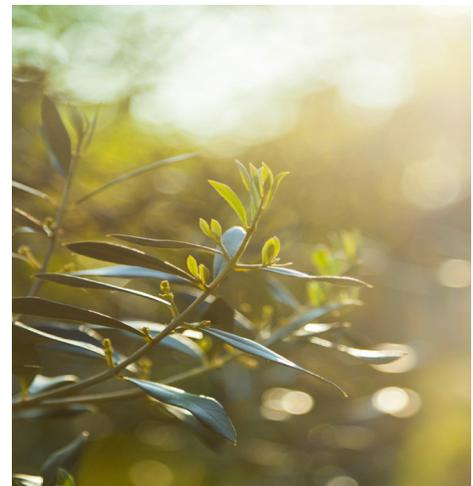
Our First Aid staff will look after you from there. You may just need to spend some time in sick bay or they may contact your family to take you home or to the doctor.

Medical information forms are sent home on the first day for parents to complete. It is important that these are returned as soon as possible.

Absences

Families are asked to ring the school before 10am if their son / daughter is to be absent for the day. After this time the Office staff call families if parents/guardians have not contacted the school. This task is reduced if families ring first.

If students are late to school or need to leave early they must report to the Office with a note from their parents on arriving or prior to leaving.



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Getting ready for Day 1, Friday 29 January 2021

It's important that students name all belongings; including uniform, books, folders, pens, schoolbag, and other equipment before the beginning of the school year.

The College is a bigger place than your primary school and you move around a fair bit. Belongings can easily be lost or misplaced.

With textbooks you need to put your name in more than one place. A secret page is a good idea!

What if I lose something?

If everything is named it will be much easier to get it back to you. Always ask at the general Office if you have lost something; and hand anything you find to a teacher or to the staff in the Office.

Tips for Starting Secondary School

Students have much to look forward to when starting a new school. But there are also worries. Getting lost, lockers, making new friends and managing with different teachers, timetables and classes are just some concerns you might have. Transition is a year long process, not just the work of a few days. Don't forget, all you've learnt in primary school will have prepared you well for this change. Keep asking questions as this will really help in getting to know how things work....here are some (with answers) to start the process:

Remember that you are not the only person starting secondary school and that nearly every person doing the same thing is feeling a little like you.

1....but I don't know my way around?

The single most important bit of advice is that if you don't know something - don't hesitate to ask. Everyone at the school is really friendly and willing to help. All staff and students watch out for Year 7 students. We don't expect you to know everything on the first day. We can also remember from our own experiences that it is not easy being in a new place!

2.....will I know someone?

If you have friends coming from your primary school, or you already have friends or brothers and sisters at the school, think about coming with them, at least on the first day to make sure you know where to go.

3.....how will I get to know people?

Don't forget all new students are 'in the same boat'. Introduce yourself to someone you don't know. They will probably appreciate it and then you will both know one new person.

4.....bring lunch in the first few weeks.

This will mean you don't have to worry about things like the canteen in the first few days. With all the new things to learn and do, you can probably do without this.

5.....how will my family know where to pick me up?

Make sure that if a member of your family is picking you up after school that they know where you will meet at the end of the day. We suggest the Hall on Orientation Day.

6.....meeting new friends.

The school has many activities to help you to get to know new people. As the year goes along, get involved in school activities (music, sport, debating) then you will automatically meet a group of new students with the same interests.

7....if you don't know where else to go for help.

Head to the front Office. There will always be someone there who can help you out.

