



Welcome to
Seven Hills High School
Year 7 2021 students
and their families

Welcome

I would like to welcome our incoming Year 7 students and their families to the Seven Hills High School Community. The staff and I are looking forward to educating, facilitating, guiding and supporting our students so that they can all turn potential into achievement.

This introductory presentation includes explanations of particular topics included in the 'Handbook for Years 7-10 Students & Parents 2021' as well as specific information relating to our facilities and school activities.

I strongly recommend that you read both the 'Handbook for Year 7-10 Students & Parents 2021' and the 'Getting Ready for High School' booklet which are included in the pack students received at Orientation Day.

If you have any questions regarding any material presented please contact the school on 96243329 and we will direct you to the member of staff best able to assist you.

Greg Johnstone

Principal

Seven Hills High School

Starting High School

New Experiences - What to Expect

- ▶ More teachers, students will usually have 8 teachers
- ▶ A Year Adviser to coordinate activities and monitor the wellbeing of students
- ▶ Head Teachers for different Key Learning Areas
- ▶ Classmates may vary in Visual Arts and TAS classes
- ▶ Greater independence in student learning
- ▶ Different classrooms for most subjects
- ▶ A set timetable with specific length of lessons
- ▶ Carrying books, notes and stationery from class to class

Key 2021 School Staff for Year 7

- ▶ Principal - Mr Johnstone
- ▶ Deputy Principals - Mr MacLaren (Years 7, 9 & 11)
- Ms Macan (Years 8 & 10)
- ▶ Head Teachers - Mrs Howell (Student Wellbeing)
- Ms Andrew (Mathematics and LOTE)
- Ms Robinson (Teaching and Learning / CAPA)
- Ms Rodd (English, HSIE and Library)
- Ms Thurlow (PDHPE and TAS)
- Mr Way (Science and Support)
- ▶ Year Adviser - Mrs Luscombe
- ▶ Careers Adviser - Ms Slater
- ▶ Teacher Librarian - Ms Costello

Year 7 Subjects

- ▶ The core units include English, Mathematics, Science, HSIE and PDHPE.
- ▶ The other subjects students study in Year 7 are Technology and Applied Studies (TAS), Visual Arts, Music, Sport and LOTE (Chinese).
- ▶ Students will also participate in Project Based Learning and Social/Emotional Learning activities

Each 2 week cycle students will have:

• English	6 Sessions	• TAS	5 Sessions
• Mathematics	6 Sessions	• Music	3 Sessions
• Science	6 Sessions	• Visual Arts	3 Sessions
• HSIE	5 Sessions	• LOTE (Chinese)	5 Sessions
• PDHPE	4 Sessions	• PBL	2 Sessions
• Sport	3 Sessions	• SEL	2 Sessions

The Timetable

- ▶ The school operates on a two week timetable. Week A and Week B. Each term begins on a Week A
- ▶ There are 5 sessions in a day. The day is structured with 2 sessions before recess, 2 sessions between recess and lunch and 1 session after lunch.
- ▶ Roll Call occurs before school each morning.
- ▶ On Monday and Wednesday mornings students have assembly / roll call on the quadrangle.
- ▶ Students are provided with individual timetables. Students should make multiple copies of their timetables, with one copy kept in their school diary and another copy kept separately at home.

Uniform and Uniform Purchases

- ▶ The handbook contains details of the school uniform and the types of footwear which is acceptable under the school's Uniform Policy and meets Work, Health and Safety requirements. Parents, please read this section of the handbook BEFORE purchasing items of uniform.
- ▶ The school uniform is available to purchase from Lowes at Seven Hills except for the sports shirt and school jacket which can be purchased from our school. **Due to Covid-19 restrictions the sports shirts and the school jackets will be available to purchase on-line only.**
- ▶ The office will keep a list of Year 7 students that have paid on-line and the students can collect the sports shirts and jackets from the office at the start of 2021.

Parents, if you require support in purchasing uniform, please contact the school and discuss your situation with the Principal, Mr Johnstone.

Rooms and Facilities

The school has the following facilities:

- ▶ Library
- ▶ Sports fields including basketball and volleyball courts, cricket nets and a weight training centre
- ▶ STEM/Robotics Lab
- ▶ Fabrication Lab
- ▶ Collaboration and Group Learning Spaces
- ▶ Science Labs
- ▶ Woodwork and Metalwork Rooms
- ▶ Art/Photography and Digital Media Rooms
- ▶ Computer Labs and Laptop/iPAD banks
- ▶ Dance Room

Extra-Curricular Activities

We run a large number of extra curricular activities including:

- ▶ Homework Club
- ▶ Robotics/STEM/Computing Clubs
- ▶ Chess
- ▶ Debating
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ Streamwatch
- ▶ Premier's Reading Challenge
- ▶ Premier's Sporting Challenge
- ▶ Combined Band
- ▶ Band/Music/Choir
- ▶ Creative and Performing Arts Showcase
- ▶ Camps

Important Dates

- ▶ The start of the year for 2021 will be different, with two School Development Days occurring at the beginning of the year.
 - ▶ Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 January
- ▶ First Day for Year 7
 - ▶ Friday 29 January
- ▶ School Swimming Carnival
 - ▶ Friday 12 February
- ▶ Year 7 Camp
 - ▶ Monday 1 - Wednesday 3 March
 - ▶ Great Aussie Bush Camp Tea Gardens
 - ▶ Great opportunity to connect with their year group

Orientation Day Pack

- ▶ Each student Orientation Day Pack contains:
 - ▶ Handbook for Years 7-10 Students & Parents 2021
 - ▶ 'Getting Ready for High School' booklet
 - ▶ School Information Flyer
 - ▶ Year 7 Vaccination Information
 - ▶ Year 7 Camp Permission Note
 - ▶ 2021 School Development Day and Starting Dates information

Any Questions

Please contact the school on 9624 3329