

Information to Primary School parents regarding transition to secondary school at Kyneton High School.

Term 2 2020: As you are aware we are not able to conduct our usual processes due to the impact of COVID-19 restrictions. School tours are currently not available and we could not hold our pre-orientation day for grade 5&6 classes from local primary schools. However, we are aware that you still need to make your secondary school selection soon if your child is in grade 6.

Kyneton High is a great school with a proud history of public education for over 100 years in the Macedon Ranges

Our dedicated team of staff are here to support you and your child with the transition from primary school through to VCE/VET/VCAL and the appropriate post-school options.

Parents and students may have different priorities/questions about starting secondary school.

Parents

- ✓ Learning to suit your child – extension/support
- ✓ School reputation
- ✓ Costs involved – books, laptop, fees, uniform
- ✓ Curriculum across school > senior options
- ✓ Safety/ wellbeing
- ✓ Communication
- ✓ Resources and facilities

Students

- ✓ Who will be in my class?
- ✓ Will I get lost?
- ✓ How will I follow the timetable?
- ✓ Will I miss the bus?
- ✓ How will I manage the work with different subjects & teachers?
- ✓ Which uniform items do I need?
- ✓ Friends and peer relationships?



- Transition information is shared between grade 6 teachers and the college.
- Opportunities for parents to share information about their child prior to year 7 start.
- Additional transition visits arranged where needed: Early Start program
- State-wide Orientation Day is Tuesday 8th December, 2020



At school attention is centred on:

Student Learning

- ✓ Awareness of learning style & strengths
- ✓ Developing and improving personal learning skills
- ✓ Accountability and achievement
- ✓ Career action plans
- ✓ Student led conferences
- ✓ Doing your best
- ✓ Positive behaviour & respectful relationships

Teaching & Learning

- ✓ Knowing our learners – information from primary school and parents
- ✓ Instructional model – setting learning intentions & success criteria - High expectations
- ✓ Comprehensive curriculum planning & delivery
- ✓ Professional learning & collaboration to improve student outcomes
- ✓ Literacy & numeracy support program + Gifted ILPs
- ✓ Nurturing student wellbeing



Our school provides many opportunities for personal development and growth beyond the classroom where students can join in **student leadership, music, sports, clubs, community events and scholarship programs.**



Our building program continues, with the internal upgrade of the large old library currently underway and soon to become our **new Senior Learning Centre**. The **Kyneton High School new uniform** was introduced at year 7 this year and all students will transition to this by 2022.

At our school we support students to take on **responsibility** and build **resilience** through our **School Wide Positive Behaviour Support** model in conjunction with our school values of **Respect, Diversity, Sustainability and Excellence.**



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