Dear Parent/Caregiver

Year 7 Day 1
Thursday 28th January 2016

We would like to welcome you to the new school year. Year 7 students will need to arrive by 9.10am and are to assemble in the School Hall.

During the day students will participate in a series of workshops to help with transition to high school. They will also be attending some lessons throughout the day. They will reconnect with their Peer Support Leaders and group that they met on Orientation Day 2015 during the sport session. Students are to bring their pencil cases and a notebook.

Students will receive their diaries, timetables and information about the Year 7 camp (Wednesday 30th March – Friday 1st April) at Outdoor Education Experience - Gosford). If you have prepaid for aprons and snoods these will also be distributed with the receipts already processed.

Sport for Year 7 students will not commence until Week 2 and therefore normal school uniform is to be worn on their first day.

The school day ends at 2.40pm on Thursdays (all other school days end at 3.04pm).

It is anticipated that the school buses will be running, however, bus schedules do not accommodate for the school’s ‘early’ day. They all leave from the bus bay in Wilson Parade at approximately 3.07pm. Until travel passes arrive, students are permitted to travel free. Passes will be distributed to students as soon as they arrive.

The first day is usually very exciting for the students. For some it can also be a source of anxiety. High school is a big change to primary school - more buildings, more students, a different environment and a new set of rules and expectations to learn.

If your child is tentative and anxious about coming to high school, reassure them that all will be well. With the passing of a few short weeks, they will be settled happily into Year 7 at Heathcote High School.

If their anxiety is an ongoing issue of concern, contact the school to discuss how we can help.

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