



Dear Parents and Guardians

I trust that your child is looking forward to commencing Year 7 at Newman College next year.

This letter contains further information that will assist in ensuring that you have the information for the upcoming Orientation Program that is scheduled to occur on Monday 14 October 2019.

Guild Allocation

The Guild system plays an important part in the overall pastoral care program at Newman College and helps to:

- Promote College spirit
- Nurture a sense of community and belonging
- Build relationships between students across different year levels
- Build relationships between students and teachers
- Create avenues for the development of student leadership

Your child will be allocated to one of the following Guilds:

(Guild key: **BR** Brigid **CA** Camara **CH** Chisholm **CT** Catherine
MA Marcellin **MC** Mackillop **RO** Romero **TM** Thomas More)

Transition Program

Orientation Day for Year 7, 2020 students will be held on **Monday 14 October 2019**. Students should arrive no later than 8.30am and gather in the Marist Auditorium. Staff and Student Leaders will be on hand to help direct students. The students will be dismissed from the Marist Auditorium at 3.00pm.

The day provides an opportunity for students to become familiar with the College environment and to meet some of their classmates. Students will be given a tour of the College, they will meet their Peer Mentors and will finish the day with a series of games and activities designed to foster friendships.

Students will also complete an On Entry Assessment. Students do not need to bring any writing material as all stationery will be provided to them.

What to Wear

Students are asked to wear their current primary school sports uniform and to bring their school hat.

What to Bring

Students will need to bring their lunch and a water bottle. Morning tea will be provided by Newman College. If, however, your child has special dietary requirements, then we advise that they bring their own morning tea. Students will not be able to access the Newman College canteen.

Transport Arrangements

Parents are responsible for transporting their children to Newman College by 8.30am and for collecting them at 3.00pm.

Challenge — Collaborate — Create — Celebrate

Problems Attending the Day

If your child is unable to attend the Orientation Day, please inform Mrs Flora Hughes, College Registrar, via email registrar@newman.wa.edu.au. An alternate testing day will take place during normal school hours in 2020.

Report Information

To assist Newman College in planning for the academic needs of our students, we ask the parents of incoming Year 7 students to provide the College with a photocopy of the **Year 5 NAPLAN report** and the **Year 6 Semester 1 school report**. These reports can be handed in on Orientation Day when the students first arrive at the College.

Please place the two reports in a sealed envelope with the following information on the front and place in the boxes provided in the foyer of the Auditorium upon arrival:

Student Name and Student Guild

The Secondary school is also offering two transition sessions where students can experience subject delivery within a Secondary context. These sessions are workshop based and attendance is optional.

Workshop 1 **Tuesday 29 October, 3.30-5.00pm** **Getting to Know Each Other**
Workshop 2 **Tuesday 12 November, 3.30-5.00pm** **Getting to Know the School**

The students are asked to wear their Primary School uniform and a hat for these sessions. Please gather and collect your child from the School Chapel. For 'drop and go' please use Entry No. 5 off Empire Avenue, Churchlands.

For catering and attendance purposes, please RSVP for the transition workshops to our College Registrar via email registrar@newman.wa.edu.au. Please include your child's name and which sessions they will be attending.

Bring Your Own Designated Device (BYODD)

Newman College is a 1:1 parent funded designated device school. This means the College partners with a vendor to supply a nominated device that meets specifications to support the learning and teaching program. Currently we are still negotiating with a number of vendors to ensure the best value for families. Packages include the device, insurance and a cover for the device. Finance and insurance options are available through the vendor. The indicative price point is \$1700. More information regarding the model, specifications and firm price point will be made available as soon as possible.

Uniform Shop Booking Sheet

The Newman College Uniform Shop uses an online booking system to ensure that incoming students are given sufficient time to allow them to be fitted for their new uniform. A letter that explains this system, as well as a log-in slip that will grant you access to the online booking system, will be forwarded in the near future.

Please also expect additional information from the College regarding important issues such as booklists and the program for the first day of school in 2020 during Term 4. Should you have any queries regarding the Orientation Program, please do not hesitate to contact the College. We look forward to welcoming your child to Newman College.

Yours sincerely



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