19 November 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students of Year 6 2015

Re: Orientation Day

An Orientation day starting at 8:50am will be held at the Condobolin High School on Thursday, 26th November 2015.

The details of the day are outlined in the schedule which I have attached to this letter.

It is highly recommended that all 2016 Year 7 students attend this day and parents are able to stay for the first 1 hour to be introduced to staff, listen to important information and ask any questions of the teachers.

At this stage I am unable to attend this day due to a prior appointment, however I am available any time by making an appointment. Mr Matthew Heffernan, the Deputy Principal and Mrs Jen Mansur the Year Advisor will be coordinating the day.

Yours faithfully

Mr Jeff Ward
Principal
19 November 2015

Orientation Day Schedule - Thursday, 26th November 2015

8:50 am  Parents and students meet under the cola with Mrs Mansur, Year advisor. Move to the high shelter.

9:00 a.m.  Welcome to Year 6 students and parents.

Official Welcome & School Procedures
Head Teacher introductions
Student Leaders
Welfare
Administration
Sport
Library
Outline of the day

Matthew Heffernan

School Captains
Sonja Honeysett
Tracey Stubberfield
Sarah Norton
Lisa McCallum
Jen Mansur

Parents remain in Hall for
P&C talk
Uniform orders
Equipment/Book Orders
Parents - Brief School tour

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Students - Peer support activities

P & C Representative
TBC
TBC
Matthew Heffernan

Rebecca Wansey & Deb Chambers

11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.
Recess

11:20 a.m. – 1:20 a.m.
Race around school

Jen Mansur

1:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.
Lunch: BBQ Lunch

2:20 p.m. 3:20 p.m.
Sporting activities

S Norton

3:15 – Students assemble in Cola area to await buses/parents.
Ready for high school checklist
Tick each item when it has been done (not all tasks will apply to you).

This year
☐ Allergies, medical condition or special needs?
   Talk to the high school principal early.
☐ Encourage your child to participate in any transition to high school program offered to them.
☐ Watch videos about high school at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/highschool

At high school orientation
Find out about:
☐ school uniforms (including sports uniforms), where and when to buy them
☐ map of school
☐ school start and finish times
☐ transport to and from school – forms for travel pass or subsidy if applicable
☐ programs offered in the school
☐ book packs and school supplies lists
☐ ways to become involved in the school
☐ the name of the Year 7 adviser.

Next year
JANUARY
☐ Buy school uniforms, books, stationery, school bag, drink bottle, house key, etc.
☐ Label everything.
☐ Break in school shoes to make them more comfortable.
☐ Practise travelling to and from school with your child using the transport they will use. Let your child buy travel tickets, if applicable.
☐ Teach your child how to read the timetable for the bus, train or ferry as appropriate.

At home
☐ Talk positively to your child about the move to high school.
☐ Ask them what's exciting about high school. Does anything worry them?
☐ Make sure your child has a quiet work area and extra stationery supplies.
☐ Organise personal hygiene items in school bags.
☐ Decide what your child will do before and after school, and what time they need to be home.
☐ Discuss emergency and safety issues with your child.

Tips for the first week of high school
☐ Photocopy school timetables for school diaries, the inside of locker doors and on the fridge.
☐ Remind your child to note all assignments, homework and events in their diary.
☐ Check through the timetable each night while your child packs their bag. Encourage your teen to eat healthy food and get a good night's sleep.
☐ Give the school your current contact details.

THE FIRST DAY
☐ Help set your child's alarm. Encourage them to get themselves ready on time.
☐ Provide your child with money and your contact numbers in case of emergencies.
☐ Make sure you have the school's phone number with you.

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