



GREATER  
SHEPPARTON  
SECONDARY  
COLLEGE

4 May 2020

**Dear parents, carers, families and students,**

Hello, please allow me to introduce myself. I am the Executive Principal for Greater Shepparton Secondary College, which is the designated neighbourhood secondary school for Greater Shepparton. Mr John Sciacca is the Campus Principal for GSSC McGuire Campus. Our Year 7 program in 2021 will be provided at Greater Shepparton Secondary College (GSSC) McGuire Campus, which is located at 92-100 Wilmot Rd, Shepparton.

It's an exciting time in education in Shepparton and Mooroopna and the GSSC School leadership team and I feel privileged to be leading the development of the new school. We believe in our region, and in our students' ability to achieve aspirational educational outcomes.

Year 7 Learning Program

The Year 7 curriculum has a dedicated focus on Literacy and Numeracy in English and Mathematics classes. Students will also study Humanities, Science, Languages other than English (LOTE), Physical Education, Arts and Technology subjects. Each semester Year 7 students will have a Quest in Humanities and Science, which allow students to investigate real world applications of these subjects while applying literacy learning skills.

Further information regarding the Year 7 learning program is available in the Year 7 Subject Information Booklet.

<https://www.gssc.vic.edu.au/downloads/309-year-7-subject-information-booklet-04-05-2020/file>

Our House Model

At Greater Shepparton Secondary College we have a House system as part of our "school within a school" model. At GSSC students attend classes in their allocated House to create a sense of belonging within the larger school. Students in Year 7 & 8 attend most classes with the students in their House Group.

More information about our House model is available from

<https://www.gssc.vic.edu.au/ourcollege/house-model>

Our Learning Mentors

Each student is assigned a Learning Mentor on enrolment to the school. The Learning Mentor meets daily with their learning mentor class, to monitor students learning progress and support their wellbeing and transition to secondary school. Learning Mentors also work with their students to build their organisational skills, goal setting and pathway planning. Your child's Learning Mentor will be the first point of contact for parents and carers at GSSC.

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### Transitions Program

We are offering an extensive transitions program for Year 6 students, to improve their readiness for secondary schooling in 2021 and prepare them for the changes ahead. This will commence in Terms 3 & 4, and we are hopeful that we will have several opportunities to meet as many of our prospective Year 7 students and families later this year.

Good partnerships between parents and carers, students and schools are vital to students succeeding and thriving at school. The current covid-19 situation means that we haven't been able to schedule on-site Information Sessions and Campus visits, but we will be hosting a series of virtual open nights with the first one being scheduled for 7pm on Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Please join us on "Teams" at <https://live.gssc.vic.edu.au>

Please monitor our GSSC website and also our GSSC Facebook page which we will keep updated to keep you informed of future open nights and other planned events.

<https://www.gssc.vic.edu.au/>

<https://www.facebook.com/GreaterSheppartonSC/>

When you are considering your child's secondary schooling for next year, please consider Greater Shepparton Secondary College. Year 7 Information Packs will be available from your child's Primary School, and also from Greater Shepparton Secondary College – McGuire campus.

We wish your child well in the transition to Year 7 and trust that secondary schooling will be a richly rewarding experience.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G Simson'.

Genevieve Simson  
Executive Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Sciacca'.

John Sciacca  
McGuire Campus Principal

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