



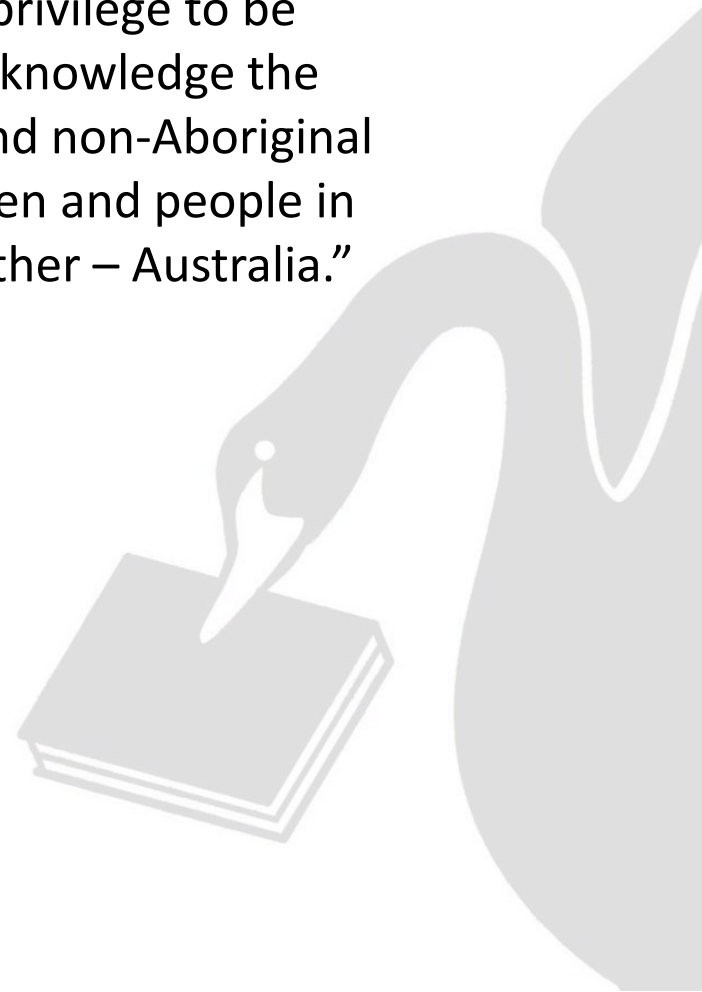
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# Parent Information Presentation

*Year 7 Transition*

# Acknowledgment of Country

“I respectfully acknowledge the past and present traditional custodians of this land on which we are meeting, the Whadjuk people. It is a privilege to be standing on Whadjuk country. I also acknowledge the contributions of Aboriginal Australians and non-Aboriginal Australians to the education of all children and people in this country we all live in and share together – Australia.”



# Welcome Parents!



# Year 7 Team 2026

## **Principal**

Shane Easton

## **Associate Principal Years 7-9**

Lainie Gara

## **Associate Principal Student Services**

Rex Lilleyman

## **Years 7-8 Program Coordinator**

Lachlan Silberstein

## **School Psychologist**

Yvette Tormey

## **Head of Year 7**

Cee-Jay Sach

## **School Chaplains**

Andy Saxton

Dale Langenbach

## **Learning Support Coordinator**

Megan Porter

# Associate Principal Years 7-9 Lainie Gara

- Leadership of the Arts, Languages, Technologies, and Health and Physical Education Learning Areas
- Student success in Year 7-9
- Academic reporting

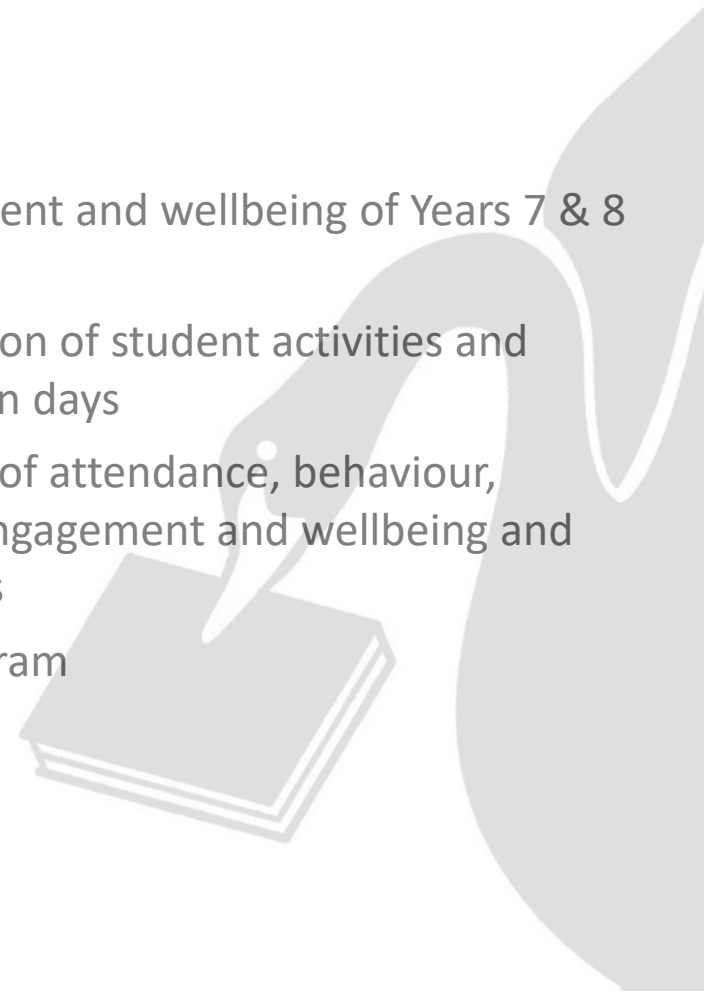






# Year 7-8 Program Coordinator Lachlan Silberstein

- Development and wellbeing of Years 7 & 8 students
- Organisation of student activities and celebration days
- Oversight of attendance, behaviour, student engagement and wellbeing and academics
- Core Program





# Head of Year 7

## Cee-Jay Sach

- Support the social and emotional needs of students
- Contact parents regarding issues that may occur
- Coordinate the Student Council
- Plan and coordinate Year 7 social/fundraiser events
- Run year assemblies
- Liaise with staff about student wellbeing .
- Coordinate "Big Days In". A two-day event designed to support students in making a smooth transition into secondary school.
- Track attendance and punctuality of students
- Monitor House Points and announce at Assemblies
- Mentor House Captains to run activities and games





# Learning Support Coordinator Megan Porter

- Coordinates the Education Assistants
- Meets with parents to create Documented Plans for students
- Manages documentation required for funding
- Organises SEN reporting, a special reporting format used for students who experience difficulties with learning
- Liaise with staff regarding equity adjustments for students



# Associate Principal Student Services Rex Lilleyman

- Leadership of Student Services Team
- Social and emotional development
- Behaviour



# Student Services Team

**Yvette Tormey**  
School Psychologist



**Kirsty Foreman**  
First Aid Officer



**Amelia Hardwick**  
School Nurse



# Student Services Team

**Dale Langenbach**  
Chaplain



**Andy Saxton**  
Chaplain



# Understanding the transition

- Differences between primary and secondary school (structure, expectations, independence)
- Common challenges students face (social, academic, emotional)



# Year 6 to 7 transition...

## Orientation Days

### Orientation days (Two Days)

- Goal is to build connection, meet peers and staff, and become comfortable in new surroundings
- Immerse your child in our school culture

Period	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
1	<b>Maths</b> L Thamrin C209	<b>Maths</b> A Grasso C210	<b>Science</b> A Murphy N109	<b>English</b> L Silberstein N111
2	School tour S Robinson	School tour S Kovacevic	School tour J <u>Hoyland</u>	School tour H Macey
3	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b> A <u>Edwards</u> C219	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b> S Fox C218	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b> M Crocker C114	<b>Science</b> R <u>Boelen</u> S206
4	<b>Science</b> J <u>Hoyland</u> ST108	<b>Science</b> D Bradbury N108	<b>Maths</b> E Nicol C110	<b>Scavenger Hunt</b> J McConnell ST110
5	<b>Pos Ed activity</b> L Silberstein A103	<b>Pos Ed activity</b> K Baylis C204	<b>Pos Ed activity</b> R <u>Symmons</u> C108	<b>Pos Ed activity</b> H Hughes C210



# Year 6 to 7 transition...

## Big Days In

### Big Days In (Two Days) 2026

- Organisation and getting settled,
- IT log in and Smart rider card process started
- Further team building and connection

PERIOD	1	2	3	4
<b>P1</b> 8.25 – 9.25am	PE Evernden	D&T Wende D106	D&T Lane D107	Art Sweetman A101
<b>P2</b> 9.25 – 10.45am	Day in the Life Waddell C208	PE Lyon	Day in the Life Hughes C209	Day in the Life Newton C207
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<b>P3</b> 11.15 – 12.15pm	Community Pres Shenker Auditorium	Community Pres Donovan Auditorium	Community Pres Fox Auditorium	Enderweit Goal Setting N102
<b>P4</b> 12.20 – 1.20pm	Naude Goal Setting S208	Day in the Life Saw S212	Pos Ed Hughes C209	Community Pres Raphael Auditorium
<b>LUN</b>				
<b>P5</b> 1.50 – 2.50pm	Art Crocker A101	Art Ryan A106	PE Uppill	PE Nairn



# Curriculum and Learning

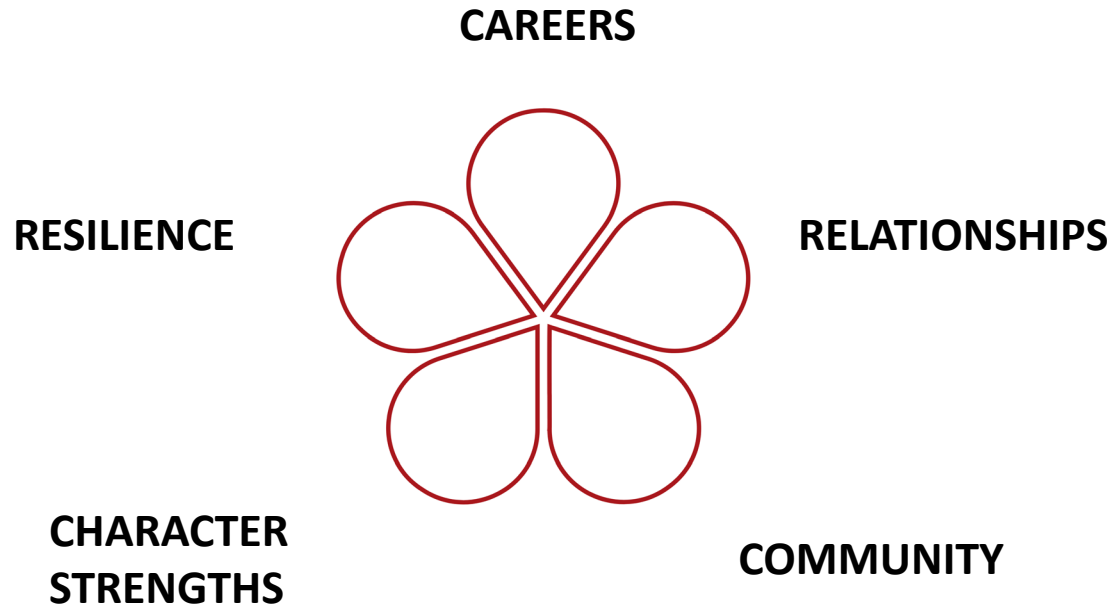
- Overview of courses and timetable.
- Introduction to specialist teachers and classrooms.
- Assessment and reporting processes.

# Student Engagement and Wellbeing

- Core Program
- House system
- Student leadership
- Positive Recognition
- Celebrate academic achievement
- School Values : Personal Best/Mutual Respect



# Core 2026



*20 mins each day,  
same Core teacher throughout high school*

# Our School

- Year 7 area and N Block Play Equipment
- BYO Device
- Mobile phones
- Expectations
  - Attendance – lates, leaving school early, and illness
  - Uniform
  - Behaviour
- Hats
- “Tech free” Tuesdays and Thursdays



# Communicating with School

## Academics

### Contact...

**Classroom Teacher** by email initially.

Staff will notify you via Compass regarding academic progress, behaviour, or wellbeing concerns.

## Attendance

### Contact...

**Student Services** before absence if possible.

**Associate Principal  
Student Services** for holidays.

## Wellbeing

### Contact...

**Head of Year**

Ms Sach by email or phone to discuss.

She will share with the broader Student Services team if required.



# Know the Policies







## **Support Homework and Revision Expectations**

- Reinforces learning
- Develops independent study skills
- Prepares for assessments

**2026  
Year 12  
School Captains**



# Organisational Skills

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- Improved academic performance
- Reduced stress and anxiety
- Preparation for future success



# Technology and Digital Safety



- Use of devices and online platforms.
- Cyber safety guidelines.

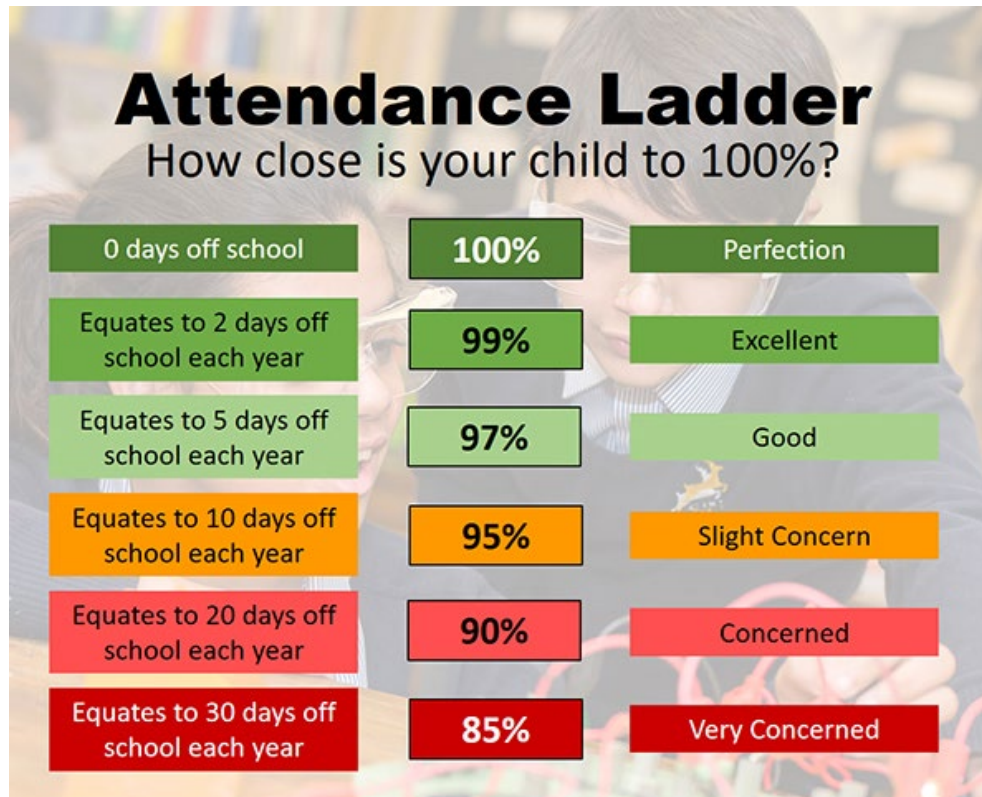
# Extracurricular Opportunities

- Clubs, sports and music
- Importance of participation





# Take Attendance Seriously



# Send Your Child to School Ready to Learn

- A nutritious breakfast
- Right amount of sleep



# School TV



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## Featured Topic



### Embracing Change & New Beginnings

Periods of change are an inevitable part of growing up. Whether it's the start of a new school year, moving between year levels, or stepping beyond the school gates for the final time, each transition presents both opportunities and challenges. These moments often require young people to use and strengthen the skills needed to manage uncertainty, adjust to new environments and build resilience. While some may embrace change with enthusiasm, others can find it unsettling...

[Learn more](#)

## Most Popular Topics



### Online Gaming

Many parents are concerned about the addictive effects of gaming, however not all gaming should be viewed negatively.



### Sextortion

'Sextortion' has been an issue for over a decade, with many adults falling victim to this type of online crime.



### Raising Girls

Girls need positive role models. However, many parents are projecting gender bias onto their daughters without realising it.



### Anxiety & Young People

Many young people experience anxiety which often affects their overall wellbeing and confidence.



# Applecross SHS P&C

- Applecross SHS P&C is large!
- We have donations from parents:
  - P&C
  - Building Fund
- Income from 'Share Scheme' from Uniform Shop
- 3 x Sub-committees
- 1 x Uniform Group
- Canteen
- Meetings Once per Term (and a finance meeting)
  - Come along and help make decisions



# Applecross SHS P&C

- Art
  - Saturday Canteen
  - Support the School with Art Prizes
  - Provide support for Art Exhibitions
- Music
  - Support the School with Concerts throughout the year and all year levels
- Tennis
  - Specialist Psychologist
  - Sporting Events





# Applecross SHS P&C

- Our P&C run a Second Hand Uniform Shop from parent donations, outside the Auditorium next to the Canteen and Gym.
  - **Tuesday Morning 7:30-8:30am**
  - **Wednesday Afternoon 2:30-3:30pm**
- We are open during even weeks this term, however closed during the final week.
  - Also open next Orientation Day:  
**Friday 5 December 8:00-10:00am**



# Applecross SHS P&C

Our P&C had the privilege of supporting a range of programs and projects within the school, totalling more than \$150,000.

Some of these include:

- Subsidising Year 11 & 12 Revision Classes
- Class of 2024 Graduation Sash Gifts
- Subsidising the cost for students to attend Core Camp
- 30 x outdoor tables and chairs for students during breaks
- Graduation Gowns for 2025 and into the future
- Second Hand Uniform Shop refresh
- Shed and PAC Storage
- 10 x new School Blazers
- Photoelectric Effect Machine
- Core and House Rewards
- And much more!





- Our P&C works closely with the school towards building a stronger school community - where all students can benefit.
- Without volunteers, our P&C could not continue to support the school community to the current level.
- There will be a Meet & Greet on 16 February 2026
- We will be looking for general, sub-committee and executive committee members next year, so if you would like to make a difference, please
  - email [axshspc@gmail.com](mailto:axshspc@gmail.com) or
  - come to the AGM on 23 February 2026.



# Q & A





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We look forward to  
welcoming your child in  
2026