

Year 6 into 7 Parent Information Evening



Thank you for attending the Year 6 to 7 Parent Information Evening tonight. This information sheet aims to provide you with important dates, key information from tonight's presentation and includes some useful links.

KEY INFORMATION:

UNIFORM – please become familiar with the uniform expectations for your child. A copy of the uniform policy can be found on the school's website.

Uniform shop:

UNIFORM CONCEPTS
Unit 30 Kembla Way, Willetton WA 6155
Tel : 9270 4669
Email: willetton@uc.nellgray.com.au

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD):

Students are invited to select their own device including those already used in the home setting. We recognise that cost for families play a significant factor in the implementation of this program and stress that the school does not intend to have families purchase expensive equipment for at school use.

Please visit our website for a list of approved devices, including specifications and software requirements:

<http://www.thornlieshs.wa.edu.au/our-school/byod-information/>

Thornlie Senior High School has partnered with JB Hi-Fi Education Solutions to provide parents and caregivers with an option for purchasing devices at a reduced educational price. For peace of mind, there is an insurance option and an extended warranty guarantee.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Year 7 Orientation Day

Group 1 – Wednesday 25 November

Group 2 – Thursday 26 November

* Families will be notified closer to the time for which day your child will attend.

** Students to wear their Primary School sports uniform.

2021 First Day of Year 7

Monday 1st February, 2021

Year 7 2021 Timetable Structure

25 period week - 5 period day each period 1 hour

Mathematics	4 periods
English	4 periods
Science	4 periods
Humanities & Social Sciences	4 periods
The Arts (Visual & Performing Arts, Instrumental Music)	1 period
Japanese	2 periods
Health & Physical Education	3 periods
Design Technology (Home Ec; D&T)	2 periods
Digital Technologies	1 period

“TURN UP – GRADES UP”

To view, the currently available products go to the link below and then enter the school code: **thornlieshs2020**.

www.jbeducation.com.au/byod

HOMEWORK –Year 7 students should expect on average, around 4 - 5 hours of homework each week. This should be no more than about 1 hour per night and there should be some flexibility shown in relation to homework having to be completed on the night it is set. This is to account for students lives outside of school, for example sport trainings, music rehearsals, family commitments etc. Our goal with homework is not for students to have to slave away for hours on end every night, but to prepare students with the habits and routines required for them to succeed in future school years and life in general.

ORGANISATION – there are many different strategies for helping students stay organised. There is no one best fit, as it depends on the individual and what works for them. Some strategies that may help your child stay organised include:

- Unpacking their bag on a nightly basis passing on any notes, permission forms or letters sent home.
- Spending time with them as parents to plan the week ahead
- Having a wall calendar where students can map out assignment due dates
- Regular use of the school diary

HOW PARENTS CAN HELP THEIR CHILD DURING TRANSITION INTO HIGHSCHOOL:

LISTEN – reassure and encourage.

COMMUNICATE – continue to discuss things with your child.

CLEAR and **CONSISTENT** – be firm with boundaries and expectations.

SUPPORTIVE

- Be patient and tolerant.
- Spend time with them.
- Keep calm in conversations with them.
- Try not to talk too much but listening more.
- Remind them of what they do well - encouragement!
- Set very clear boundaries that have both positive and negative consequences and be consistent when enforcing such rules and expectations.

USEFUL PHONE CONTACTS

2020 Acting Year 7 Coordinator:

Contact enquiries this year -
Mr Jason Turner – 9376 2133
Jason.Turner@education.wa.edu.au

2021 Year 7 Coordinator:

Contact enquiries next year -
Mr Nigel Bateman – 9376 2133
Nigel.Bateman@education.wa.edu.au

Thornlie Senior High School:

General enquiries – 9376 2100

Absentee line:

Phone: 9376 2165

SMS: 0407 479 120

USEFUL WEBSITES

- www.thornlieshs.wa.edu.au Thornlie Senior School website. Key information communication about school life and activities be found here. Policies are also available.
- www.reachout.com.au - general info/ support teens and parents
- www.beyondblue.org.au – information and support about depression
- www.headspace.org.au – mental health and wellbeing information

