Parent Information Night Year 7 2025





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Acknowledgment of Country



Kaeley Goode Prefect

Welcome and Introduction



Mr Paul Gauci Principal (rel.)



Mrs Krystal Bevin Principal- absent

2025 Contacts



Mr Taj Abrahams Year Advisor 2025



Mrs Shannon Sager Year 7 Deputy Principal 2025



Mrs Sharon Jenness Head Teacher Wellbeing Transition Coordinator

2025 Contacts

Stephanie is responsible for the administration of all Year 7 applications for enrolment to high school.

EOIs have been received from primary schools

- Parents will receive an email explaining process to apply to WWHS for enrolment
 Need 5-6 documents proving residency
- Birth certificate, court orders.

Any questions, please see Melanie Mackie



Stephanie Sugden School Administration Officer

Horizon Program

The Horizon program provides social and emotional guidance to students during a period of major developmental change as they transition from childhood to adolescence. Students are individually case managed in respect to literacy and numeracy and are able to receive a more personalised learning experience which allows them to thrive in all areas of their school life.



Sharon Jenness Head Teacher Wellbeing

Horizon Program – What is it?

Our Stage 4 Horizon program meets the needs of students who will benefit from

- a more structured, strength-focused class
- one core teacher for a number of key learning areas
- □ a homeroom learning environment.

Homerooms

 Specialised furniture to support our diverse learners (including breakout spaces, brain break corner, laptops).
 The students are in these classrooms for most of their periods
 Consistency across classes supports effective behaviour management practices



Spark Program

SPARK is a dedicated program through which WWHS supports **High Potential and Gifted Education**.

We want to develop your young person's capacity in their area of giftedness and/or talent, by tailoring their education to suit their needs.

We want to support your young person in developing their high potential into high achievement.

SPARK is not just for academically gifted students; this class is made up of students who are gifted or have high potential across the *4 key domains* of the HPGE policy – *intellectual, social-emotional, creative, physical*.



Ms Lauren Holding HPGE Co-Coordinator

What is the rationale behind Spark?

High potential and gifted students have advanced learning capacity compared to same-age students and, as a result, require talent development opportunities and differentiated teaching and learning practices to ensure their specific learning needs are met.



What does that look like in the classroom?

PERSONALISED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT:

- A home room, with flexible seating options.

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL SUPPORT:

- Detailed learning profiles of each student in the SPARK class.
- Close and ongoing contact with parents/carers.
- Access to teacher mentors.
- Access to leadership and talent development opportunities.

DIFFERENTIATED TEACHING AND LEARNING

- Inquiry based learning with a focus on critical thinking.
- Frequent opportunities to collaborate with peers to problem solve and articulate thoughts, feelings and ideas on topics of interest.

How do I get into Spark?

Placement in the Year 7 SPARK class is BY APPLICATION ONLY

It is competitive, and merit based.

Complete and submit each phase of the **Application Package** on the WWHS website (link is on the transition page) by the specified **due date**.

PHASE 1: Supporting statements & student portfolio of work to PS.
PHASE 2: Primary school endorsement of application.
PHASE 3: SPARK Panel Interviews.
PHASE 4: Notification of application outcome.

Hard copy Application Packs are available here tonight!

Year Advisor Role/ Subjects offered in Year 7

- English
- Mathematics
- Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE)
- Science
- HSIE (History/Geography)
- Languages (Japanese)
- Music Year 7 / Visual Art Year 8
- Design and Technology (computer technology, wood/metal work, textiles and food)

Junior AECG



Kaeley Goode JAECG President

Uniforms

WWHS Navy Shorts (mid length)

WWHS Navy Sports Pants and tracksuit pants



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WWHS navy hoodie WWHS navy soft shell jacket

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Support Class - Kapara

- 1 x IM (Intellectual disability)
- 3 x MC (Multi-categorical)
- Support class placements need to be discussed with your primary school now
- Require an Access Request to access a placement

Sport

- Ice skating
- Ten pin bowling
- Swimming
- Tennis/squash
- Cycling
- Bushwalking
- Theatre sport/drama
- Skateboarding

- Fishing
- Multiple sports at school sports
- Weight training/Aerobics/circuit training

PBL @ WWHS







Important Dates

Please collect a flyer re important dates for families for the 2025 transition program



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Communication

- School Website
- WWHS Facebook page follow
- Facebook Group Year 7 2025 – coming soon
- Parent Portal (access from Term 12025)



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Questions?



Thank you for attending!