

# Welcome to Berwick College

Parent Information Evening



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# Acknowledgement

*We wish to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians and Owners of this land on which we are meeting.*

*We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.*

*We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.*

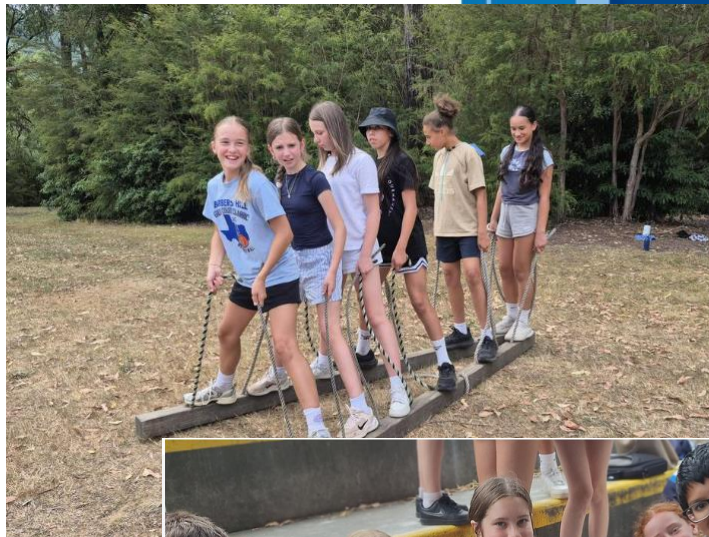


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Principal's Welcome.

Josie Millard.



*‘To develop people of purpose, character and capacity  
whose contributions strengthen communities’.*



★ Aspiration ★ Belonging ★ Community ★ Diligence ★ Excellence



Brandon Reeve  
Year Level Leader



Taylah Lloyd  
Assistant Year Level Leader.



Manisha Beniwal  
Assistant Year Level Leader  
HAP Co-ordinator.



Noah O'Halloran –  
Wellbeing



Vaughan Chaplin  
Assistant Principal

## Year 7 In Focus 2027

### 1. Investment in supported transition:

- HUB Model.
- Dedicated Year 7 area.
- Early school camp.



### 2. Learning and Wellbeing are equal and underpin everything.

### 3. Feelings of connection to peers, school and community.

- Living the school values.
- Homegroup
- Competitions, clubs and activities.

### 4. High expectations for self and others.



## Pastoral Care / Homegroup

In 2026, Berwick College re-invented our approach to homegroup to explicitly teach:

-Expected behaviours (SWPBS).

-Critical and Creative thinking skills.

-Respectful Relationships.

-Communication and personal organisation skills.

-Study Habits.



We achieve our vision through demonstrating our values

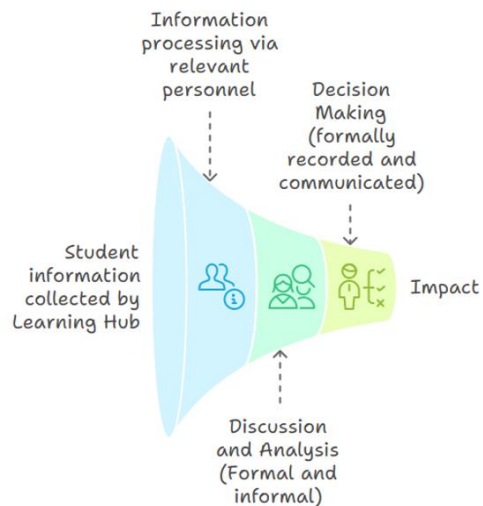
	Always and everywhere	Learning Areas	Shared Spaces	Digital Environment
Aspiration	We lead by example in shared spaces. We take pride in how we present ourselves.	We actively engage in class. We ask for and use feedback to improve our skills. We set learning goals.	We move calmly. We put our rubbish in the bin. We keep shared spaces tidy.	We use technology to learn, create and make positive choices. We continue learning new digital skills.
Belonging	We are upstanders, not bystanders. We are kind, honest and respectful. We make our community a safe and friendly place for everyone.	We respect everyone's right to learn. We collaborate with and listen to others. We encourage and support our classmates.	We include others. We are kind.	We are kind and respectful online. We participate in digital learning in a positive way.
Community	We represent Berwick College with pride. We look after our school community spaces and equipment. We wear the uniform correctly.	We follow class routines and expectations. We show respect to all members of the school community.	We follow staff instructions We respect others. We use respectful language.	We use our devices responsibly. We report cyberbullying or unsafe online behaviour.
Diligence	We use our scheduled break times effectively. We follow instructions and take responsibility for our actions.	We come prepared with required learning materials. We use our class time wisely. We ask for help and guide others to do the same.	We use transition time wisely  We go to the bathroom by ourselves.	We ask for permission before taking and sharing photos/videos of others. We keep our passwords and work secure.
Excellence	We do our best. We reflect on our effort and celebrate success.	We always produce work to the best of our ability. We apply curiosity and creativity in our learning.	We model positive behaviour.	We complete our own work. We source reliable information.

## Supporting Parents

Parents are supported during the high school transition phase too! Some of the ways Berwick College will support parents during this time:

- Promote open communication between teachers and families.
- First Day Conferences to support collaborative discussions about teaching, learning and wellbeing.
- Hosting parent information forums including topics:
  - How to use Compass
  - Importance of organisation & student planners
  - School attendance supports
  - Managing screens including social media and AI
  - Being a parent in a transition year

## Berwick College's 'Team around the learner' model.





The student experience of the transitions program at Berwick College.



Akon Deng



Matilda Hughs

## What to expect – Transitions Program

### Term 4, 2026

- ✓ Year 7 Team to visit primary schools.
- ✓ Additional transition day(s) offered for identified students.
- ✓ State wide orientation day (8/12).

### Term 1, 2027

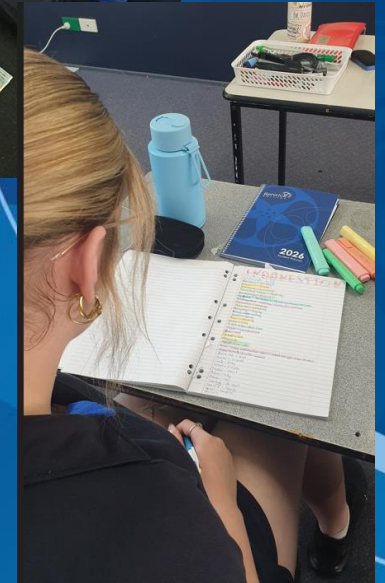
- ✓ First Day Conferences.
- ✓ Orientation Week (week 1)
- ✓ Year 7 Camp (TBA – Week 2).



## Languages – Indonesian.

At Berwick College, students will learn Indonesian as part of the curriculum. Languages are shown to:

- ✓ Improve Literacy Skills
- ✓ Improve memory and brain function.
- ✓ Boosts school performance and provides additional job opportunities.
- ✓ Fosters connection to a global community, alongside shared respect and appreciation of other cultures.





## Devices – Edunet

Students are required to use an approved Edunet device for learning in 2027.

Berwick College only supports Windows operating system via approved Edunet devices.

***Berwick College can not connect or provide technical support for Apple or Google Products or devices that are not purchased through Edunet.***

John Cussen is available this evening for additional information about Edunet.



## What Next?

- The process for enrolling your child into secondary school is set out by the Department of Education.
- Put simply, secondary schools cannot be involved in discussions about enrolment status with parents until 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2026.
- We can answer questions about our school, our programs, and provide details of timelines etc but cannot be involved in any discussion about enrolment or likelihood of enrolment until every parent in Victoria has made their selections and they have been received and accepted by the secondary school and returned to the Primary school.

## What next?

- Your child is guaranteed a place at their designated neighbourhood school which is determined on the basis of your permanent address. Applications to schools other than your designated neighbourhood school must be managed by the Principal and are dependant on a wide number of factors.
- Please complete the *Application for Year 7 Placement* form and return it to your primary school no later than May 8<sup>th</sup>
- Although Year 7 placements will be determined by secondary schools, all communication regarding the Year 6 to Year 7 transition process must be in writing and lodged through your primary school until the Year 7 placement is confirmed.
- You will be notified by your Primary school of your child's Year 7 placement for 2027 on June 24th

## Berwick College's 'Special Programs'



**Basketball Academy** (Shannan Davey) – Stadium.



**Dance Academy** (Mel Quenette) – Theatre.



**High Achievers Program** (Manisha Beniwal) – Library.

To join the mailing list for our special programs, please register using the QR code below.

