

Welcome

2023 Year 07 Information Evening

15 November



Acknowledgement

I would like to begin by acknowledging the Traditional Owners of
the land of which we meet today.
I would also like to pay my respects to Elders past present and
emerging.



Principal Team



MARIO PANACCIO

Principal



MICHELLE WALLIS

Assistant Principal



KLAUDIJA LAVRANS

Year 07 Student Manager



JASMINE COLLINS

Middle School Leader

Macleod College Values

Creating a positive learning environment for academic growth

At Macleod our values underpin every aspect of teaching and learning that we do.

We have a set of expected behaviours that we all work towards to achieve our learning goals, show understanding of our community and build positive relationships.

We acknowledge positive behaviours and celebrate these achievements



Whats coming up?

Important Dates



Orientation Day

Tuesday 13 December
9AM-3PM

Scholarship Interviews

Tuesday 6 December
Email notification sent to
applicants

First Day 2023

Monday 30 January
8.54AM - 3.10PM
Transition Program starts

Meet and Greet and Camp Information

27 February
6-7PM

Camp

8 - 10 March
Valley Homestead

Day in the life of a Year 07 Student

- ★ Timetable has five classes a day per day, starting with a six minute Homegroup at 8.54am – 9am
- ★ Each class is 60 minutes
- ★ Timetable runs over two weeks and covers a range of subjects



Homework Club

- Every Tuesday from 3.15-4.30pm in the Impact Centre
- Students can come individually or in a group to complete homework
- There are always two teachers there to assist in the work if needed
- University student tutors provided to assist students with homework and study skills
- Students do not need to stay the whole time , there is a sign in and out process

Library

Open

8.40am-3.30pm, Monday and Friday.

8.40am-4.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

Students visit the library on a regular basis. As part of the college curriculum.

Library hosts literary events and activities throughout the year.

Abundant and popular range of reading materials, e.g. novels, magazines, graphic novels, comics.

Library Orientation program to instruct on how to use and information literacy.

Welcome to read, study, chat, play games, use internet during breaks.



Uniform

Uniform Expectations

Macleod College's uniform was designed with and by students, parents and our teachers. Our uniform communicates a belonging to and sense of pride in the school community. The uniform also signifies a safe, secure and equitable school environment.

You are expected to wear full uniform each day, including when travelling to and from school, on excursions and when representing the school (unless otherwise specified).

Our uniform is gender-neutral. Either summer or winter items may be worn year-round.

Year 07 – 11 students must wear their blazers to and from school unless it is over 22°C.

2nd Hand Uniform Shop

Thursday from 3pm – 3.45pm

Noone Uniform Shop On-site

2023 Hours
Tuesdays & Thursdays
3.15-5pm

Uniform Policy

Can be found on the College Website

ACADEMIC



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SPORT





Year 07 Camp

Part of the college orientation program & assists students to make new friendships and challenge themselves

Details

- 8 - 10 March
- \$365
- Valley Homestead

Payment

Check Compass Events end November 2022

Activities

- Aerial Obstacle Course
- Vertical Challenge
- Dual Flying Fox
- Bush Survival and other activities



Curriculum

The following subjects are studied in Year 07:

- iLeap Program:
 - English
 - Mathematics
- Science
- Humanities
- Languages - German
- Physical Education
- Sport
- Health
- Music
- Art
- Technology
- Positive Education
- Digital Technologies



You will have the opportunity to speak to Helen Spanos at the end of our presentation



Academic Achievement - iLEAP



- Students break into groups for English and Maths
- Students are supported at the level they are at so they can grow
- Allows students to form connections across all classes
- Students can move up and down through the groups
- Based on best practice research

See **Helen Spanos** with any questions



English Novel

Year 07 English classes will be created in 2023. Therefore, please hold off on buying the English novel listed on the booklist for your child.

You will be advised early next year on which text your child needs.



HOLD FAST

Student Achievement Program

HOLD FAST - The Macleod College motto, originated from the clan MacLeod Dunvegan castle in the Isle of Skye. Meaning to be strong and resilient.

The aim of the 'HOLD FAST' program will be to:

- Provide a daily and weekly platform for 21st century skills, Positive Education, Careers, Respectful Relationships, Mindfulness, Leadership, Rock and Water, Study Skills, Global Citizenship and Learning Plans
- Create a more personalised schooling and learning experience for students
- To provide students with the opportunity to set and reflect on SMART goals and develop a digital learning portfolio through the *myfuture* website that will be monitored by a 'mentor' teacher and discussed with families.

Positive Education

Whole school approach to teaching and learning based on the science of Positive Psychology

Emphasis is on individual strengths

Helps individuals, schools and communities to thrive

It empowers people with the skills they need to:

- Build strong relationships
- Experience positive emotions
- Enhance personal resilience
- Live mindfully
- Develop a sense of purpose



Wellbeing and Student Support

- Wellbeing is the heart of our educational framework
- Resilient students perform better at school, form healthier relationships and report better levels of life achievements
- Year 07 students are involved in a transition and wellbeing programs throughout the term
- Students participate in Positive Education classes from Year 07 to 10

Students experiencing distress have access to our:

- Counselling support services
- Psychologist
- Adolescent Health Nurse
- Mental Health Practitioner

Linked partnerships include:

- Student Support Services
- Engage 1 on 1
- Headspace
- Austin CYMHS

See **Kasi Bird**
with any
questions



Macleod College **Music Academy**

Music is what we do at Macleod College.

Macleod College is funded as a specialist music school.

25% of our students learn a musical instrument.

We provide outstanding opportunities for people to be part of a community and express themselves individually.

EOI close December 1st - QR Code



See **Jim Griffiths**
with any
questions



Students enrolled in the Macleod College Music Academy are provided with access to:

- Tuition in all areas of strings, wind, brass, percussion and voice
- Tuition by highly experienced and practising musicians
- A wide range of innovative and quality performance ensembles
- Study of a second instrument
- Programs in leadership and teamwork
- Access to AMEB and ABRSM examinations
- Regular performance opportunities
- Music tours and performance camps
- An enjoyable and fulfilling school experience
- 40 min lessons



Macleod students regularly:

- Receive their first preference at tertiary institutions such as Victorian College of the Arts (VCA), West Australian Performing Arts (WAPA), Monash University and Ballarat Academy of Performing Arts
- Participate in many quality performances including Spring Arts Gala, Groovin' @ the Austrian Club, Victorian Education Excellence Awards, Rosanna Library, The Block Arcade, Rockin' the Rails, Awards Night, Election Days, Macleod Community Market. Primary Schools and Youth Fest.
- Perform at festivals and competitions such as Generations in Jazz, State Schools Spectacular, Victorian School Music Festival, All State Jazz, Essentially Ellington and Royal South Street Eisteddfod



Macleod's status as a Music School allows us to employ some of Melbourne's best Music teachers that provide a high quality and best value for money program in the area.

Our instrumental teachers are renowned working musicians and expert educators who:

- perform and release music regularly
- teach in higher education
- are finalists in National Jazz Awards
- have numerous albums of the week
- have played with Stevie Wonder, The Four Tops, John Farnham and Frank Sinatra (and many more)
- record for nationally broadcast TV shows such as Dancing with the Stars, Australia's Got Talent, The Masked Singer
- work in professional orchestras for musicals
- have played at Splendour in the Grass, Meredith Music Festival and WOMAD, and international festivals such as Secret Garden Party (UK), Glastonbury (UK)



Student Leadership

Leadership Team consists of:

- 2 x College Captains + 2 x Deputy College Captains
- 8 x House Captains (Year 10/11)
- S.R.C. representatives at every year level
- Sport Captain
- Music Captain

Our leaders are the voice of Macleod College and:

- Organise and conduct student forums
- Run charity fundraisers
- Organise and run student activities
- Work to improve communication across the school



Swimming & Athletics Carnivals

The annual Swimming and Athletics Carnivals are a fantastic opportunity for students to participate in a range of sporting events and show support for their school houses.



Sport

- Compulsory component of the Year 07 curriculum
- Students will play a variety of sports such as tennis, volleyball, futsal, netball, basketball, hockey, baseball or soccer
- Each term all Year 07 students are involved in representing the school in sport, competing against other schools in the Banyule area



ICT - Laptop requirements

Bring your own device (BYOD)

Students attending Macleod College are required to bring a laptop to school each day. Our program aims to support families by offering flexibility in the type of laptop you wish to purchase or already have.

Please see Simone our IT and Facilities Manager who can answer any questions you may have about:

- appropriate type of device
- costs
- insurance and extended warranty(recommended)
- benefits of purchasing from eduNET portal, including on site repairs

See **Simone Hale** with any questions





Compass

Macleod College uses an online communication portal called COMPASS to share information for students and parents, including:

- news items
- receive SMS messages
- email staff
- access school curriculum resources
- class lesson plans
- view learning tasks and results
- view your children's timetables
- check and approve your child's attendance
- book parent/teacher conferences
- view and download student semester and progress reports
- make online payments and excursion consent

See **Simone Hale** with any questions



Orientation Day

Students arrive to G Block at 9am, Tuesday 13 December 2022

Students will:

- Meet some of their Year 07 Teachers
- Meet their Year 07 cohort
- Participate in a variety of ice-breaker activities and subject sessions
- Familiarise themselves with the College
- Finish at 3pm

What to bring/wear:

- Casual clothes
- Water bottle, recess snack and lunch
- Musical instrument if possible

Transition Program 2023

From Monday 30 January

On the first day, there will be an assembly in G Block, arrive at school by 8.45 am

Students should bring

- Laptop
- paper and pens

NO textbooks needed on the first day

Students should label all of their textbooks and files at home before the first day

Students will be provided with a locker and lock during the first few days of school



Transition Program 2023

Students will be involved in:

- Homegroup teacher time; this involves students learning how to use their Learning planner, read the timetable, organise their books and files, combination padlock and locker orientation
- Academic testing
- Learning what it means to be a Macleod Students - exploring the school values
- Positive Education
- Mindfulness
- ICT and Library Orientation - PLEASE BRING YOUR LAPTOP ON FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Semester 1 Events

There are many exciting events to look forward to in Semester 1:

From 30 January	Year 07 Transition Program
17 February	Immunisations
22 February	Swimming Carnival
27 February	Year 07 Meet & Greet and Camp Information Evening
8 -10 March	Year 07 Camp
28 March	School photos
16 March	Interschool sport
22 March	Athletics Carnival
3 April	Digital Thumbprint

Staff available for questions



Mario Panaccio
Principal



Michelle Wallis
Assistant Principal



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Middle School Leader



Klaudija Lavrans
Yr 07 Student Manager



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G1



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G4



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