

## 2016 TRANSITION & ORIENTATION DATES

DATE	SCHOOL
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Treendale PS
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Parkfield PS
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	<b>Smaller Schools Day</b> Clifton Park PS Australind PS Brunswick PS Private Schools Other Schools
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Kingston PS
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	ALL SCHOOLS – ORIENTATION DAY

### **TRANSITION – What is it?**

Transition Day at ASHS is where we give students from a primary school, or from several smaller primary schools, a structured day to explore both the Year 7 Egret Wing, as well as the wider school campus. Students spend time both in the Egret Wing classes with the Year 7 teachers as well as venturing out to exciting specialist classes including Performing Arts; Design, Technology and Enterprise; LOTE; and Health and Physical Education.

### **ORIENTATION – What is it?**

Orientation Day at ASHS is a day where we have our full cohort of enrolled Year 6 students join us for a fun day of team building and getting to know each other. Students will meet the entire Year 7 team and their homeroom teacher, their key pastoral care figure as they start their journey at ASHS. Students will experience what it is like to shift for each class and follow a timetable and learn some tips, tricks and fabulous strategies to be on time and ready for class. Teachers will explain high school expectations, HOMEWORK (everyone's favourite) and some Maths Placement Testing.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND FAQs FOR TRANSITION AND ORIENTATION DAYS AT ASHS

What do students wear?

All Year 6 students must wear their full primary school uniform, including a hat and closed in shoes or sneakers.

What time do they need to be at ASHS?

8.30am on the front lawn...we will meet you there!

How do they get to ASHS?

Year 6 students need to make their own way to and from ASHS on these special days.

What do they need to bring on the days?

Students will need to bring

- their own snacks for recess
- their own packed lunch
- their water bottle
- a hat
- a pen or pencil
- their manners and a readiness to learn!

**The Uniform Shop will be open each of the Transition Days and also on Orientation Day from 8am – 4pm.**

## THE VIRTUES PROJECT

The Year 7 Team has embraced the internationally known, Virtues Project...

*'Character is destiny. Virtues are the content of our character. The Virtues Project™ nurtures our children in the skills and qualities they need to be successful in school and in life. Although they are the oldest practices in the world, virtues are essential to the true goal of education – intelligence plus character. Too many of our children are technical wizards and moral illiterates. Power plus control leads to violence. Power plus compassion transforms bullies into leaders.'*

*Schools adopt the strategies and resources in The Virtues Project Educator's Guide to foster academic excellence while creating a culture of caring, as well as trust and unity among staff. The Virtues Project is used by the National Education Association of the U.S., Boys & Girls' Clubs throughout America, and a national Essence Cares mentoring program. Schools across Australia, the Pacific, Africa, India, Europe, and Asia use it as a central tool to enhance social and emotional learning.*

*'From early childhood to university graduation, The Virtues Project helps us to create safe and caring schools.'* The Virtues Project.

Each week our Year 7 Student Leaders chooses a 'Virtue Of The Week' that the whole team focuses on. This is then celebrated at our weekly assembly with certificates awarded.

