



YEAR 7 ORIENTATION INFORMATION



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to welcome your child into Year 7 at Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College in 2026!

Year 7 is a year full of growth, exploration and new beginnings. Our Middle School program is designed to nurture confident, kind and capable learners in a setting where academic, social, emotional and spiritual development are valued equally.

This document provides a brief overview of what to expect as your child starts and moves through their Year 7 journey.



A SUPPORTIVE START TO MIDDLE SCHOOL

Year 7 marks a significant transition, and our goal is to ensure every student feels supported, connected, and excited about this next chapter. The Middle School journey is a time of curiosity and change, and our program is designed to meet your child where they are, helping them grow into independent, thoughtful young people.

Key people in your child's day-to-day experience:

- Core Teachers: The first point of contact each morning, providing daily support and connection. This teacher will also be one of their main classroom teachers.
- Dean of Year 7: Monitoring student wellbeing and facilitating our dedicated well-being curriculum.



WHAT MAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL DIFFERENT?

Our Year 7 students benefit from a purposeful structure that blends academic challenge with personal development.

Stronger Connections

We reduce the number of teacher transitions in Year 7 to foster deeper relationships and create a stable learning environment.

Integrated Learning

Students engage in real-world, inquiry-based projects that encourage collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity across subjects.

Daily Wellbeing Focus

Personal goal setting, reflection sessions, and wellbeing check-ins are built into the timetable, because how your child feels matters as much as what they learn.

LEARNING SPACES AND EXPERIENCES

Your child will enjoy access to:

- Specialist classrooms designed for hands-on, practical learning.
- Passionate subject teachers who are experts in working with Middle School learners.
- Student-led conferences that empower students to take ownership of their progress.
- Personal development portfolios to track growth across all areas, not just academic.

CO-CURRICULAR, LEADERSHIP & ENRICHMENT

Life in Year 7 goes far beyond the classroom:

- A broad co-curricular program offers music, sport, the arts, and service opportunities.
- Leadership pathways for Middle School, nurturing responsibility and teamwork.
- Enrichment experiences are available for students ready to extend themselves further.

We're looking forward to supporting your family as your child begins their journey in Year 7. At Bishop Tyrrell, every student is known, supported, and encouraged to thrive.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us. We are here to support you every step of the way.

Warm regards,
Kira Lough
Head of Middle School