Transition POLICY

PRIMARY TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Rationale:
• Primary students leaving year 6 and commencing secondary school are required to cope with a very different environment. It is our responsibility to make this transition as enjoyable and trouble free as possible.

Aims:
• To provide a smooth and efficient transition from primary to secondary school with additional support provided to those who require it.

Implementation:
• Transition from primary to secondary school can be both a challenging and an exciting time for both students and parents.
• Transition is planned by the DEECD, who send a timeline out to schools.
• Our school will appoint a year 6 staff member to coordinate our year 6 to 7 transition program.
• Parents will be encouraged to visit secondary schools during Open School sessions so they can experience the facilities and programs on offer and talk to secondary school staff.
• Making personal appointments with the year 7 coordinator or principal to discuss their child’s potential enrolment at the school is to be arranged directly with the secondary school by the individual parent.
• All enrolments will be considered by the enrolment officer appointed by the schools and any local zoning arrangements or rules relating to preferences etc. will be applied.
• After this process, the secondary schools will communicate with each feeder primary school to confirm with them the names of students who have enrolled at their school.
• Information will be sought about each enrolled child from the primary school, and meetings will be organised with parents of children with special needs to discuss programs and resource requirements.
• All year 6 children will participate in an Orientation Day in December.
• All parents will receive detailed information packages about the school (including uniform requirements and book lists).

Evaluation:
This policy will be reviewed to reflect new regulations and best practice