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Dear Parents and Guardians

2024 Year 7 Students

I would like to extend a warm welcome to you as we approach the commencement of the 2024 school year. This is an exciting time for your daughter, and we have outlined some important information in the lead up to the commencement of Year 7.

iPad Collection - Digital Induction Morning on Monday 22 January

To help support you and your daughter with transitioning to an iPad that will be accessible at home and school, you and your child are invited to attend a compulsory Digital Induction Workshop that will explore: *Digital Citizenship, Recommended Parental Restrictions and SEQTA.* The morning will commence in the Iona Sports Centre at 9:00am to 11:00am.

After the workshop your daughter's iPad will be ready for collection and you will be guided through an interactive set up with the IT staff. To assist the effective management of the device, for school and home, it is important that both a parent and daughter attend the digital citizenship workshop before picking up the iPad.

If you have any queries regarding the iPad collection, please contact helpdesk@iona.wa.edu.au and an IT staff member will be able to assist you.

Year 7 Wellbeing Days

In 2024, Year 7 students can anticipate three enriching Wellbeing Days that will take place from Tuesday 27 February to Thursday 29 February. These consecutive days are thoughtfully designed to provide our students with a unique experience to focus on their overall wellbeing and connection with others. This initiative emphasises the importance of nurturing personal and social development during this crucial stage in their schooling journey. The program is designed to be safe, challenging, adventurous and ultimately a rewarding rite of passage program for girls to create lasting memories and foster a supportive environment for our Year 7 cohort. More information regarding the Year 7 Wellbeing Days will be sent home early next year.

Morning drop off and afternoon pick up:

The main drop-off and pick-up points for students are:

- Lochee Street
- Church car park
- Bayview Terrace

Please discuss pick-up arrangements with your daughter so she will know where to go after school. Bus timetables for Buswest Chartered Buses and Transperth School Special buses are available in the Students and Parents section of the College website.

Schedule for First Five School Days

Day One – Wednesday 31 January 2024	What to Wear	What to Bring
8:30am Parents and Students to meet in the	Summer Uniform	Students should bring half the books from the booklist and
Sports Centre.	White Socks	some stationery items.
8:40am – 9:00am	Black lace-up shoes	Pencil Case
Year 7 welcome by the College Principal in the Sports Centre (parents are welcome).	Summer Straw Hat	Morning tea, lunch, and water bottle
•		iPad should remain at home for today.
9:00am - 9:30am Morning tea in the Sports Centre for parents.		
9:00am – 3:25pm Students will participate in a variety of activities, supported by College Staff and Peer Support Leaders.		

Day Two - Thursday 1 February 2024	What to Wear	What to Bring
Full College Day 8:35am – 3:25pm	Summer Uniform	Bring the remainder of the books
Homeroom	White Socks	from the booklist and remaining stationery items.
iPad Session 1:		·
Connecting to Iona	Black lace-up shoes	Morning tea, lunch, and water bottle
College Assembly	Summer Straw Hat	Dani'l Carr
iPad Session 2:		Pencil Case
Accessing Digital Resources @ Iona		iPad is required for today and the device should be fully charged.
iPad Session 3: Investigating @ Iona		device should be rully sharged.
House Assemblies		
iPad Session 4: Creating @ Iona		
iPad Session 5:		
Creating @ Iona		
Days Three and Four	What to Wear	What to Bring

Friday 2 and Monday 5 February 2023		
Full College Days 8:35am — 3:25pm	Summer Uniform	Bring the remainder of the books
Homeroom		from the booklist and remaining
	White Socks	stationery items.
Classroom Immersions		
These are learning experiences	Black lace-up shoes	Morning tea, lunch, and water
in each lesson where students		bottle
will engage in transition	Summer Straw Hat	
activities in their classes and		Pencil Case
subjects. The day will follow		
their Senior School Timetable.		iPad is required for today
Year Level Assembly		

Tuesday - 6 February 2023	What to Wear	What to Bring
Interhouse Swimming Carnival	House Shirt	Sports Bag, Swim Cap, Rash
		Vest, Towel, Goggles
8:35am: Students board buses at the	Sports Shorts	
College and travel to HBF Stadium		Sunscreen
	College Bathers	
9am: Interhouse Swimming Carnival		Morning tea, lunch, and water
commences	College Sport	bottle
	Hat/House Visor	
2:30pm: Interhouse Swimming		
Carnival concludes	Runners and socks	
NB: Additional Carnival information will be emailed to students and parents at the beginning of 2024		

Finally, some important dates for parents to diarise for the first few weeks are:

Wednesday 31 January 8.30am Year 7 Parent and Student Welcome

Friday 2 February 6.00pm – 8.00pm Year 7 Parent Information Evening and Welcome

Tuesday 6 February 8.30pm – 2.30pm Interhouse Swimming Carnival

Tuesday 27 February to Thursday 29 February Year 7 Wellbeing Days

If you have any questions at all, please feel free to contact Ms Michelle Perche, Head of Year 7 <u>Michelle.Perche@iona.wa.edu.au</u> or via the College main line 9384 0066 from Thursday 25 January 2024.

Yours faithfully

Ms Maria Garbin

Deputy Principal Wellbeing