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## Gleeson College New Year 7s 2026 Mailout 2: Pre-Transition Orientation

Dear Families,

We are trialling a new initiative this year to provide an opportunity for all students to come to less formal orientation prior to the major Transition Day in late Term 4.

During this orientation we will,

- Take students on a short tour of the main areas of the College
- Provide information + guidance for where to come on Transition Day
- Ask students to prepare a small 'about me' page for their future teachers

We will also conduct a few short literacy and numeracy diagnostic checks, to ensure we have the most up-to-date information about all Year 7s joining us next year. There is no preparation required for these, and we will support all students, including those with additional learning needs, to complete the checks to the best of their ability. The data from these will be crucial for our curriculum, teaching and learning planning for 2026.

To help students build independence and connect confidently with staff and peers, we kindly ask parents say their goodbyes before the orientation begins, and leave students in our more than capable hands for the duration of the session.

**Arrival:** From 3.45pm for a 4pm start\*

**Pickup:** 5pm

**Location:** the Micah Centre

*\*Please avoid entering the carpark prior to 3.45pm, as you may get stuck in school pickup traffic*

[Please book into an orientation session here](#)

(you will need to move the calendar to October and November to see available afternoons)

Students are to please wear their **current primary school uniform**. They are not required to bring anything.

Should you have any enquiries about your child's transition, please do not hesitate to contact the Transition Team at [transition@gleeson.catholic.edu.au](mailto:transition@gleeson.catholic.edu.au) or visit the transition portal: [gleeson.college/transition](http://gleeson.college/transition).

Our next communication will be early next term, and include information about Transition Day and stationery ordering.

Kind Regards,



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