

Frequently Asked Questions Year 7 2023 Information Session

1. What does SEL stand for?

Social & Emotional Learning

2. Are the maths and science extension options new for 2023?

Yes, they are. There are some curriculum changes in 2023, we will be sending more information out in the coming days.

3. How are the students able to make language choices?

There will be a subject selection process for our incoming year 7 students to make their language choice. More information to come.

4. At the open evening, there was mention of an elite sports program with nominations open in late term 3/early term 4. Is this program still going ahead?

Applications for the Sports Academy will open soon. Students will need to be exempt from their language choice to attend Sports Academy. Please email Hakan.Cosan@ed.act.edu.au

5. What formal academic testing do students undertake throughout the year?

Apart from regular assignments and exams, all students at Harrison School complete PATs testing. Students in years 7 and 9 will also complete NAPLAN testing once a year. All results will be shared with parents and carers.

If a parent would like their child to be further tested regarding Gifted and Talented, please reach out to Jatinder.Sarowa@ed.act.edu.au.

6. If students are involved in the school band, which subject line do they do this on? Will it rotate between different subjects? What is the plan in place to make sure students involved in band do not fall behind on the subject line that band takes place on?

Band will be held during SEL/Life Skills each week, this way it will not affect their core/elective classes.

7. Where is the drop off for the new student transition morning and 1st day of school?

All NEW students to Harrison School will commence on Monday 30 January 2023. Students will be asked to meet in our school Library on their first day. All continuing students will commence on Tuesday 31 January 2023.

On Thursday 17 November 2022 we are hosting a mini transition day for new Year 7 students. These students will also need to meet in the library at 9:00am.

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8. Book pack/stationery information

All parents will be emailed a list of stationery items that will be needed in 2023.

Families have 2 options:

1. Order from the school's supplier and book packs will be ready on the first day of 2023
2. Students purchase and bring their own supplies to school