



Becoming ready



Welcome to the Middle Phase of Padua College

Year 7 Parent Information Session



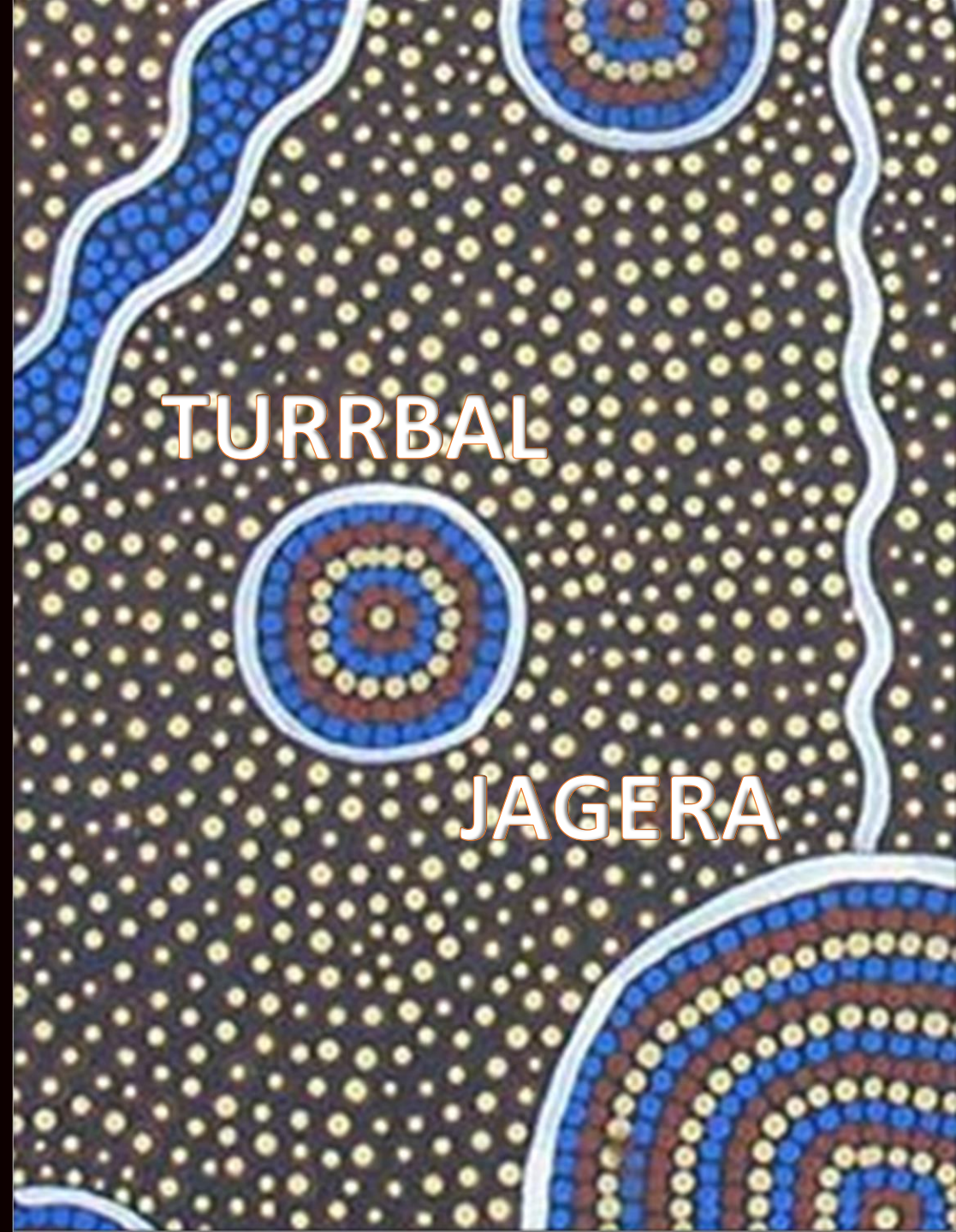
Acknowledgment of Country

We take a moment to stop and be mindful of Australia's history and Indigenous culture, acknowledging the Turrbal and Jagera Peoples, upon whose lands Padua College stands and whose land your home also stands.

We respect and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present and emerging.

We acknowledge the importance of hearing story, seeing traditions, and feeling the importance of living indigenous cultures on our land.

Here at Padua, we commit to building a brighter future together as one.





Franciscan Peace Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to

be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

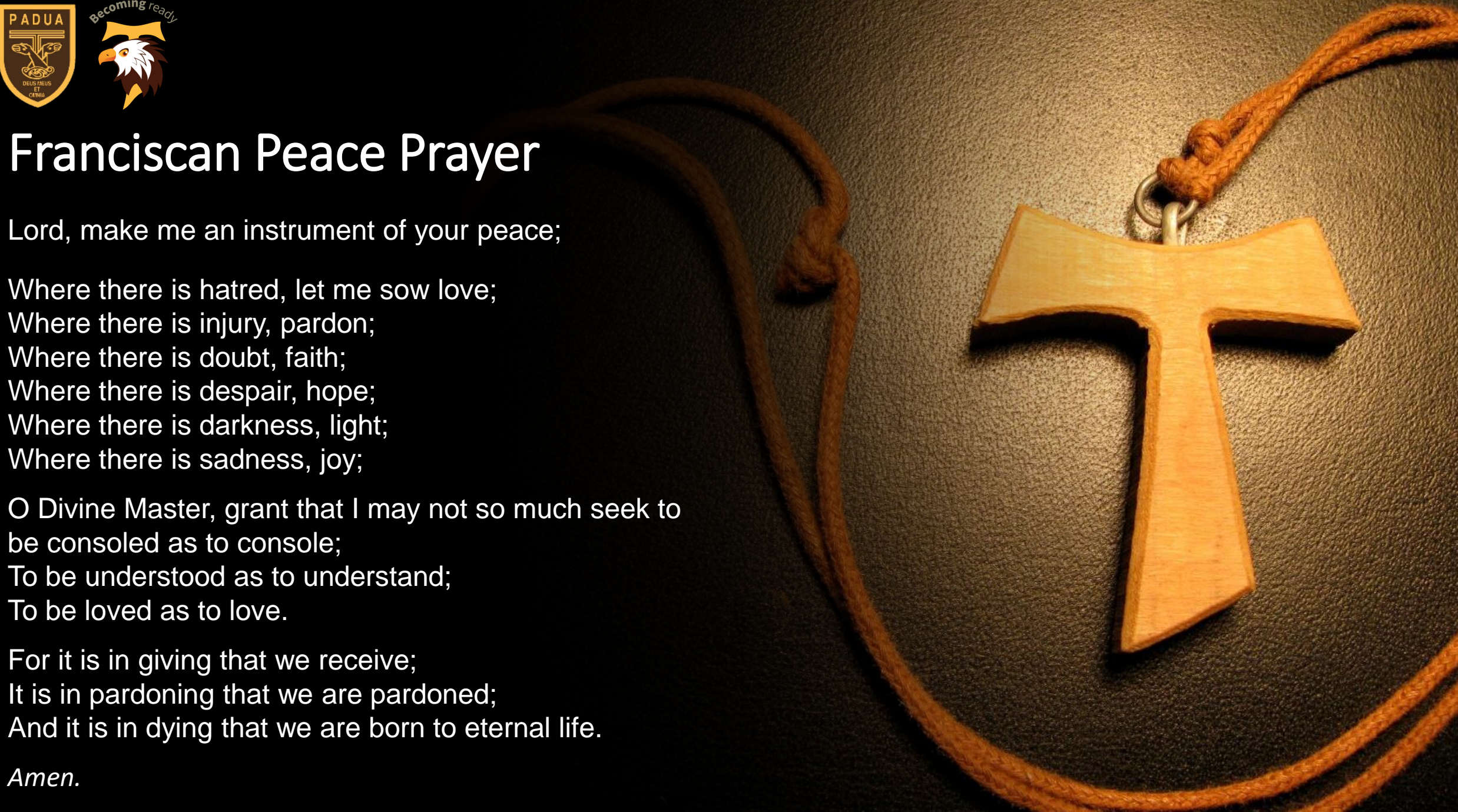
To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.



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The Middle Phase at Padua
College



The Middle Phase at Padua College



Where boys **BELONG** to a community that empowers them to gather the skills to **BECOME** the men they want to **BE**.

The Focus of the Middle Phase

- The focus of the middle phase is on the students themselves.
- Allowing our students to develop a better understanding of who they are as a person that exists in the modern world.



The Focus of the Middle Phase

- The core of all that we do is design to help students determine...
 - What they are passionate about?
 - How they learn best?
 - What kind of people they connect with and form relationships with?
 - What kind of people they struggle to connect with?
 - What worries them?
 - What brings them joy?
 - How do they best deal with challenges?
 - How can they contribute to the world?





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Head of School
Middle Phase



Matt Hardy
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Leader
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Middle Phase Program
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Leader
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Middle Phase Program
Leader (2024)
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Middle Phase Team





Year 7 Learning Program

Humanities Core Class

- Same teacher for English, HASS & Religion

Inquiry Core Class

- Same teacher for Science & HPE

Maths Class

- A different class to the core class
- Seven (7) lessons/cycle

Discovery Program

- Covers a range of subjects (Art, STEM, etc.)
- Two (2) Discovery Subjects per term

REACH Class

- Focused on wellbeing and metacognition
- Two (2) lessons per cycle

Padua College works on a five (5) period day (57 mins in length) and on a 10-day learning cycle

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Maseo

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Angelo

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Rufino

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Cattani

**Chris O'Shea**

Leo

**Chris Dash**

Quintavalle

House Guardians & Wellbeing



Inclusive Learning: LEC



2023

Ms Andrea Murphy
LAL Differentiation

**Year 5 & 6 Learning
Guardian**
Mrs Tina Reggi



**Year 7 Learning
Guardian**
Ms Marina Bonello



**Year 7-12 Learning
Guardians**

Inclusive learning is fostered through a comprehensive support network, encompassing Classroom Teachers, Pastoral Guardians, and our LEC team. The team consists of 6 Learning Guardian Teachers, 6 Teacher Aides and 2 Speech Pathologists.

Students transitioning into Year 7 or new students, who require academic support will receive ongoing assistance through an assigned Learning Guardian. Depending on the specific needs, Ms. Marina Bonello serves as the Year 7 academic Learning Guardian.

Transition meetings for students with Personalised Support Plans are taking place this term to facilitate smoother transitions for 2024.

Please reach out to Andrea Murphy for any questions related to Inclusive Learning or support in transitioning your child with needs.



Jacob Moore SP



Janette Lewis SP



It is completely normal to feel anxious

- Transition will affect everyone differently; at different times and at different places.
- Parents can experience anxiety too.
- If unsure about anything, just ask for help (PC Teacher, Core Teacher, House Guardian)... we want to normalise this behaviour.
- Have a copy of your son's timetable visible at home.
- Have your son talk you through their daily movements



Commencing High School

A time of transition



Next Event:

Monday 20th November (Week 8)

“Yr 7 Orientation Day”

A chance for students to familiarise themselves with learning in a high school setting.

Students will complete two (2) ‘classes’ including moving from room to rooms in the school.



Your Son's First Day: Tuesday 23rd January



Where to Go on Arrival

- Piazza di Santa Croce (the area the boys will assemble for their Orientation Day in Week 8)

When to Arrive

- The morning bell will ring at 8:25am
- The Piazza di Santa Croce is supervised from 8:00am



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What to Wear to School

- College 'summer' uniform
- Padua College Grey Hat

What to Bring

- All the prescribed resources on the Year 7 Booklist
- Laptop (in its school-issued laptop case)
- Lunchbox
- Water bottle
- Brought in the Padua College School Bag





Your Son's First Day: Tuesday 23rd January



Things to Know About the First Day

- Students will spend time with each of the following teachers,
 - Their Pastoral Care Teacher
 - Their two (2) Core Teachers
 - Humanities – ENG/HASS/RE
 - Inquiry Teacher – SCI/HPE
 - Their Maths Teacher
- They will receive,
 - Their locker & its lock
 - Their Transition Bookmark

NAME: _____

CORE CLASS: _____

PC CLASS: _____

PC ROOM: _____

MY DAILY ROUTINE

- Check my _____ to see what classes I have.
- Collect all the _____ I need for the lessons I have.
- My lunch area is _____.
- Make sure I put my _____ back in my locker after break.


EQUIPMENT

- My fully _____ Laptop
- The Padua Student _____
- My pencil case, with all my writing equipment
- The notebook(s) I need for each lesson
- If I have HPE - my _____ shirt, Padua sports shorts, Padua _____ socks and my hat

MIDDLE PHASE HOMEWORK

1. Daily Learning Revision
2. _____
3. Assignments/Study
4. _____

MY HOUSE



I BELONG TO _____ HOUSE

MY HOUSE MOTTO IS, _____


MY HOUSE GUARDIAN IS... _____

MY TRANSITION GOALS

GOAL 1 _____

GOAL 2 _____

MIDDLE PHASE ME





Weeks 1 to 3 of Term 1

- The first three (3) weeks of Year 7 have been designed as an orientation block.
- Using a gradual release model, students will be introduced to what learning in the Middle Phase looks like.
- Focuses include:
 - Learning dispositions
 - Character strengths
 - Notetaking skills
 - Middle Phase Homework
 - MyPadua Familiarisation



Year 7 Camp Weeks 2 & 3, Term 1

- Focus on developing relationships in the boys' new core classes.
- Students will attend camp in their Core Classes with their Core Teachers.
- Begins the 'becoming' focus of the Middle Phase.

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First Term Advice



First Term Advice





4 Steps to Homework Success

- Revision of the work covered in class that day including reviewing the Learning Goal and Success Criteria of the lesson.

- Set Homework given that day by the teacher.

- Working on assessment tasks a little each day - assignments should be started as soon as they are received and worked on progressively.

- Reading ahead and Wider reading - read ahead in the textbook to get a start on the next topic or do some independent reading related to a topic of study.

There is always homework in the Middle Phase

- The Middle Phase Approach to Homework sees the students progressing through four (4) stages of homework
- This approach is consistent throughout the Middle Phase



Beyond the Bell Learning

- A range of options that extend the pedagogy from classroom learning into the home learning environment,
 - Maths – MathSpace
 - Science & HPE – STILE
 - English/HASS/RE - Education Perfect
- Highly interactive and multimodal.
- Can provide students with real time feedback.



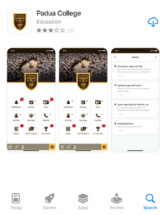
Padua College Values Reading

- A 2022 study by Australia Reads found that 89% of students (aged 6-17) agreed that they enjoyed and engaged in reading when they were able to pick what to read.
- Students have access to a wide range of resources for reading,
 - MyOn (Online – MyPadua)
 - Sora (Online – MyPadua)
 - Library Physical Catalogue



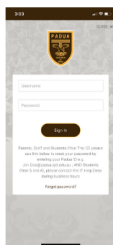
NAPLAN has moved to Term 1

- NAPLAN has moved to Term 1, so that schools will be able to receive the feedback from the tests earlier in the year and support students sooner.
- Students will complete their four (4) NAPLAN tests in Weeks 8 and 9 of Term 1.
- The skills assessed in NAPLAN, literacy and numeracy, are developed within our middle phase program; specific NAPLAN testing skills are explicitly taught throughout the term.
- Communications relating to NAPLAN will be sent out early in Term 1.



Notifications

Once you have successfully downloaded the app, you will be asked to receive notifications. Be sure to allow these to ensure that you receive all updates from our school.



Download App

To download the MyPadua App, simply search for Padua College in iTunes or Play Store.



Log in

Your username is your Padua ID eg jon.Doe@padua.qld.edu.au. This ID is issued by our IT Department and will be sent automatically after commencement. Use the reset link to create your password.



Dashboard

From here you will be taken to the MyPadua App dashboard.

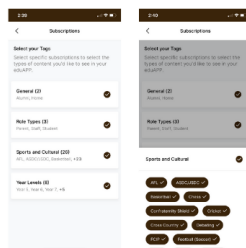
More Options

To access more items, simply tap each tile of your dashboard to access the different areas of your MyPadua profile.



Subscription

To access the subscription options and customise your profile, simply tap the settings cog on your dashboard and...



Select as many options as you like from the different menus.

The Padua App is the primary point of communication

- The 'Calendar', 'Notices', and 'Co-Curricular' sections will contain most of the information needed daily
- If you think you have missed communications, please contact us

admin@padua.college.qld.edu



COMMUNICATION



MyPadua

MyPadua is the College Portal, providing access to information parents need to support their son throughout their journey at Padua. This is an **essential** source of information and is the College's preferred means of communication.

All parents are required to download the Padua College App. New parents will be provided with a login to access MyPadua as part of the enrolment process.

What can I find in MyPadua?

News, calendar events, student assessment calendars and results, student reports (MiClass) and student insights (Analytics), sport and co-curricular news, alerts, reminders and general school information.

How do I access MyPadua?

Download "Padua College" from the Google Play Store and Apple App Store.

You can also access MyPadua on your computer:

<https://my.padua.qld.edu.au>

Should you require any assistance with accessing MyPadua, please contact help@padua.qld.edu.au



College Bulletin

The College Bulletin is distributed every second Wednesday during the school term. The Bulletin is distributed via the MyPadua App and email and is available on the College website. The Bulletin contains a range of information including: events, special announcements, careers information, sport and co-curricular news, and information from the Parents and Friends Association.



Social Media

The "Padua College Kedron (Official)" Facebook and "paduacollege_official" Instagram pages share events, news, and achievements from around the College with the wider community. These can be accessed from the footer of the College website and links at the bottom of the MyPadua App.



Email

Following a review of communication practices, the College has made a concerted effort to streamline the volume of emails it sends to parents and guardians. You may receive emails from the College including Rector announcements, details related to excursions, camps, and academic and pastoral information.



SMS Messages

Parents may receive SMS messages to advise of unexplained student absences.



Give Co-Curricular a Go!

- Lots of different sporting and cultural opportunities: Padua is about being as involved as you can.
- Year 7 is the first year of competitive AIC teams.
 - There are tables.
 - There are premierships.
 - Teams can change based on performance, attendance and attitude.
 - All a part of the experience.





Give Co-Curricular a Go!

- Term One Co-Curricular Offerings
 - Cricket
 - Volleyball
 - Swimming
 - AFL
 - Mountain Biking
 - Liturgical Group
 - Vocal Ensemble
 - FCIP
 - eSports
- Parents can also get involved in the sport and cultural life of Padua in our PSG (Parent Support Group): contact sport@padua.qld.edu.au for details





Date Claimer:

Wednesday 14th February From 5:30pm

“Yr 7 Parent Connection Evening”

An evening to meet your son’s House Guardian & Pastoral Care teacher and attend a core learning orientation session with your son’s core teachers.





The Padua College Laptop Program

Padua College Laptop Program

- A program that is cost efficient and sustainable whereby student laptops are provided at key learning points to support each phase of learning, (Junior, Middle & Senior).
College laptop cycle
 - Years 5 & 6
 - Years 7 – 9
 - Years 10 – 12
- Covered by manufacturer's Warranty and Accidental Damage Protection (ADP).
- Retain device for 3 years, in which time it is covered for 3 ADP claims where some excesses may apply.
- Supported by College ICT Department with loan machines provided where required



Laptop Collection 2024

- All families will receive an email in the 1st week of January 2024 relating to the Laptop Collection Arrangements.
- The email will contain two (2) links that will need to be accessed prior to collecting your son's laptop.
- Laptop Collections will occur from 10th January to the 18th January (8am to 4pm).
- Collection times booked through one of the links.





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Need a little more information?
Email: admin@padua.qld.edu.au

We are looking forward to a successful start to 2024