

# TRANSITION

## POLICY

### PRIMARY TO SECONDARY

#### Rationale:

- Primary students 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.
- Communication between Ouyen P-12 College and our school is important throughout the senior years to foster a good transition program.
- Years 5 & 6 participate in a transition camp, on a rotation system. One year to Melbourne, next year to Lake Cullulleraine.
- During Terms 3 & 4 the Year 6 students may be given the opportunity to attend Ouyen P-12 College for one day per week to join in with their Year 6 students completing English, Maths and two extra curricular activities eg textiles, Sport, Wood etc. This is subject to the Ouyen P-12 College and year 6 parental permission.
- School visit – Underbool current year 7 students attend the Primary School to talk to the year 6 students about what will be expected from them eg bull times, classes, school rules, uniforms etc.
- This leads on to “Early Start Week”. A one week placement during Term 4 – Week 9. Where all feeder school Year 6 students attend Ouyen P-12 College participating in Year 7 subjects.
- An information session for prospective students and parents will be organised during Early Start Week.

#### Evaluation:

- This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle.

This policy was last ratified by School Council in....

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