



Guildford Grammar School

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Dear Parents and Guardians

RE: GUILDFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL BOARDING ORIENTATION INFORMATION

Just as we begin to farewell our Year 12 students, the work begins to ensure a warm welcome and smooth transition for new students who will become part of Guildford Grammar School and more importantly the Boarding Community in 2023.

We are looking forward to having our new Year 8 – 12 boarders commence their stay with us on Friday 18th November, 2022. This event will provide you and your child an opportunity to:

- Meet with their peers
- Make connections with other students
- Become familiar with the boarding house environment, culture and procedures
- Meet key staff members that will be involved with their care in 2023
- Become familiar with the Boarding Parents Association (BPA) and the work of this group

Guildford Grammar School – Boarding Orientation Program:

FRIDAY – 18th NOVEMBER, 2022

12:30pm	Arrive at the Thwaites Centre Courtyard to begin activities (located between number 32 and 33 of the Senior School map) Please bring a water bottle, hat and wear casual comfortable clothing for activities.
2.30pm	Activities conclude, students head back to the Dining Hall
2.45pm	Afternoon tea with Heads of House, Principal, Head of Senior School, Deputy Principal of Learning Leadership and Transformation, Deputy Principal of Wellbeing and Student Experience, Head of Middle Years and other key staff (<i>Parents are welcome to join us from 2.45pm in the dining hall for afternoon tea</i>)
3.00pm	Introduction and Welcome
3:10pm	Students move to their House area with their Head of House to answer questions and undertake a brief pastoral tour
3:30pm	Parents have the opportunity to meet with relevant staff and to ask questions
4.00pm	Parents depart



4:00pm-5:00pm	New boarders meet their buddies and are shown to their room for the evening
5:15pm-6:15pm	Dinner
6:15pm-9:30pm	Recreation time and meet and greet with other boarders in residence
10:00pm	Lights Out

SATURDAY – 19th NOVEMBER, 2022

New Boarders may arrange a pickup time of their choosing after 9.00am. New Senior Boarders (Years 10 – 12) are welcome follow their buddy to watch their Saturday sport fixture if they wish.

Students to be collected from the Boarding Precinct – Located at number 2 on the [Senior School Map](#)

I would ask that all new boarders ensure they have the following items with them for this experience;

- Sleepwear and toiletries for the duration of their stay
- Casual, comfortable clothing for the duration of their stay
- Thongs/casual shoes and a pair of sports shoes
- Water bottle, sunscreen and hat
- Personal Pillow and blanket/duvet
- Required medication. Please contact Nurse Vicki Bellinge on (08) 9377 9211, if there have been any changes to the Student Health Record you have submitted upon acceptance of enrolment. Nurse Vicki will be contacting you all personally prior to the event

A buddy has been assigned to each new boarder to take care of them throughout the orientation weekend. We will organise for your child's buddy to contact them in the days leading up to the orientation event.

Please RSVP your child's attendance for this Boarding Orientation via the following link: [RSVP Link](#)

Should you have any queries, concerns or questions about the days in the lead up please do not hesitate to contact me via email matthew.weston@ggs.wa.edu.au or phone (08) 9377 8540 or 0457 101 577.

We look forward to meeting with you soon.

Regards



Matthew Weston
HEAD OF BOARDING

