



MERIDAN  
STATE COLLEGE

Primary to Secondary School

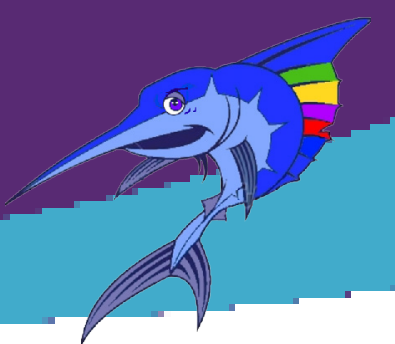
Year 6-7

**Transition Guide**

*Jump Start into Secondary*



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IGNITING MINDS, EMPOWERING FUTURES

# Welcome Wunya



## Welcome to the Meridan State College Secondary School

It is with much excitement and anticipation that we look forward to supporting and promoting the growth and development of your child as they begin the next phase of their learning adventure together with us in the secondary years of schooling and adolescents. The journey through Years 7-9 is one of rapid growth and social and emotional development. We strongly believe that to best support students and maximise learning opportunities during this time, we need a strong partnership between the Community, Parents, our Staff and most importantly the Child. The Jump Start into Junior Secondary program at Meridan State College aims to start building that partnership well before the student starts Year 7 and to help build confidence, relationships and enthusiasm for a smooth transition to secondary schooling next year.

Over the remainder of this year we will have a number of key activities as part of this Transition Program. These are outlined on the following pages. We hope you are able to participate in as many of these activities as possible to get the most out of the program.

If you are new to Meridan State College, we would appreciate you lodging your enrolment forms and necessary documents as soon as possible. This will allow our Junior Secondary team to make best use of the time needed for communication with Primary School Staff, consider support provisions needed and effective class placement. \* Interviews are invited, however, not essential\*

We hope you find the information provided in this guide helpful as you commence this journey.

Please contact the relevant staff outlined on the Contacts page if you have any questions.

We look forward to meeting you and your child at our upcoming Transition Days, Information Evening and other College activities.

Kind regards



**Tony Roberts**  
College Director



**Mark Seijbel**  
Head of School - Secondary

# Junior Secondary

We believe that the junior secondary years are a time when your child will find their own unique and distinct identity (purpose). At Meridan State College, finding your purpose is where our students are encouraged and supported through learning opportunities to explore their passions, potential and future pathways. This is achieved by:

## Ignite your **PASSION**

- Specifically designed curriculum embedding the general capabilities with a strong focus on critical and creative thinking.
- Specialist programs in HPE, Technology, Italian and the Arts allowing student to experience a range of subjects throughout the year.
- Extra curricula sporting development squads in 5 pillar sports: Rugby League, Basketball, Oztag, Volleyball and Netball.
- Extra curricula Dance squads including Elite, Impact, Acrobatics and Hip Hop Megacrew Performance Teams.

## Develop your **POTENTIAL**

- Meridan State College's Junior Certificate of Education (JCE) focused on student's academic success, creating a supportive learning environment and student's community involvement.
- Academic Academy (Academic Excellence) designed to develop students abilities Maths/Science, English, Humanities and Italian.
- Sports Academy (Sports Excellence) designed to develop students athletic abilities.
- Dance Academy (Dance Excellence) designed to embed dance principles into core curriculum, as well as developing students technical abilities.
- STEM Academy (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Excellence) designed to develop students abilities holistically in the STEM field.

## Choose your **PATHWAYS**

- Junior Education and Training process (JET plan) focused on goal setting and future pathways planning.
- Subject offering that align to senior pathways in Health and Physical Education, Digital and Design Technology, Languages (Italian) and the Arts.
- Expert teaching teams and specifically designed learning spaces to enhance students experience in future pathways.
- Information, Communication and Technology focus to prepare students for a digital future.

Our dedicated Junior Secondary team looks forward to working in partnership with you to ensure your child's success at Meridan State College.



**Brandie Clucas**  
Deputy Principal  
Year 7 and 8

The image shows four vertical panels, each representing a school value. Each panel features the Meridan State College logo at the top, the value name in a large font, a list of bullet points, and an illustration of a native Australian animal at the bottom. The background of each panel is light blue with a wavy pattern on the left side.

- Collaboration**
  - Work as a team
  - Contribute
  - Share
  - Communicate respectfully
  - Listen actively
- Compassion**
  - Be kind
  - Value diversity
  - Show empathy
  - Be helpful
  - Consider others
- Courage**
  - Have a go!
  - Ask for help
  - Take responsibility
  - Be persistent
  - Make the right choice
- Courtesy**
  - Use manners
  - Value others
  - Use respectful language
  - Show gratitude
  - Be considerate

# Key Dates

Tuesday 24 June 2025

## **High School Experience Day 1**

Introduction to Meridan Secondary School

Tuesday 12 August 2025

## **Year 7 2026 Parent Information Night**

Friday 12 September 2025

## **Secondary Programs of Excellence applications close**

Friday 19 September 2025

## **Year 7 2026 Enrolment forms due to all high schools**

Wednesday 10 December 2025

## **Transition Day 2 - Year 7 Orientation Day**

The Transition Days welcome Year 6 students that are coming to Meridan the following year for the first time. These days will introduce students to our campus, key staff members and allow them to experience a range of engaging secondary learning experiences and environments. Students will participate in a range of presentations and different activities.

**On Transition Day in December students will also meet their Year 7 Classmates and Class Teacher.**

## **When you get here...**

Try to arrive from 8.50am.

Please park in the Secondary Carpark of Parklands Boulevard (Closest to 7-Eleven) and enter through the black gates. Junior Secondary staff will be there to guide you, clearly visible in fluoro vests. Our first session will commence in the Performing Arts Lecture Theatre for a 9.00am start. A picture of the building and a map showing the route from the carpark are provided on the following page.



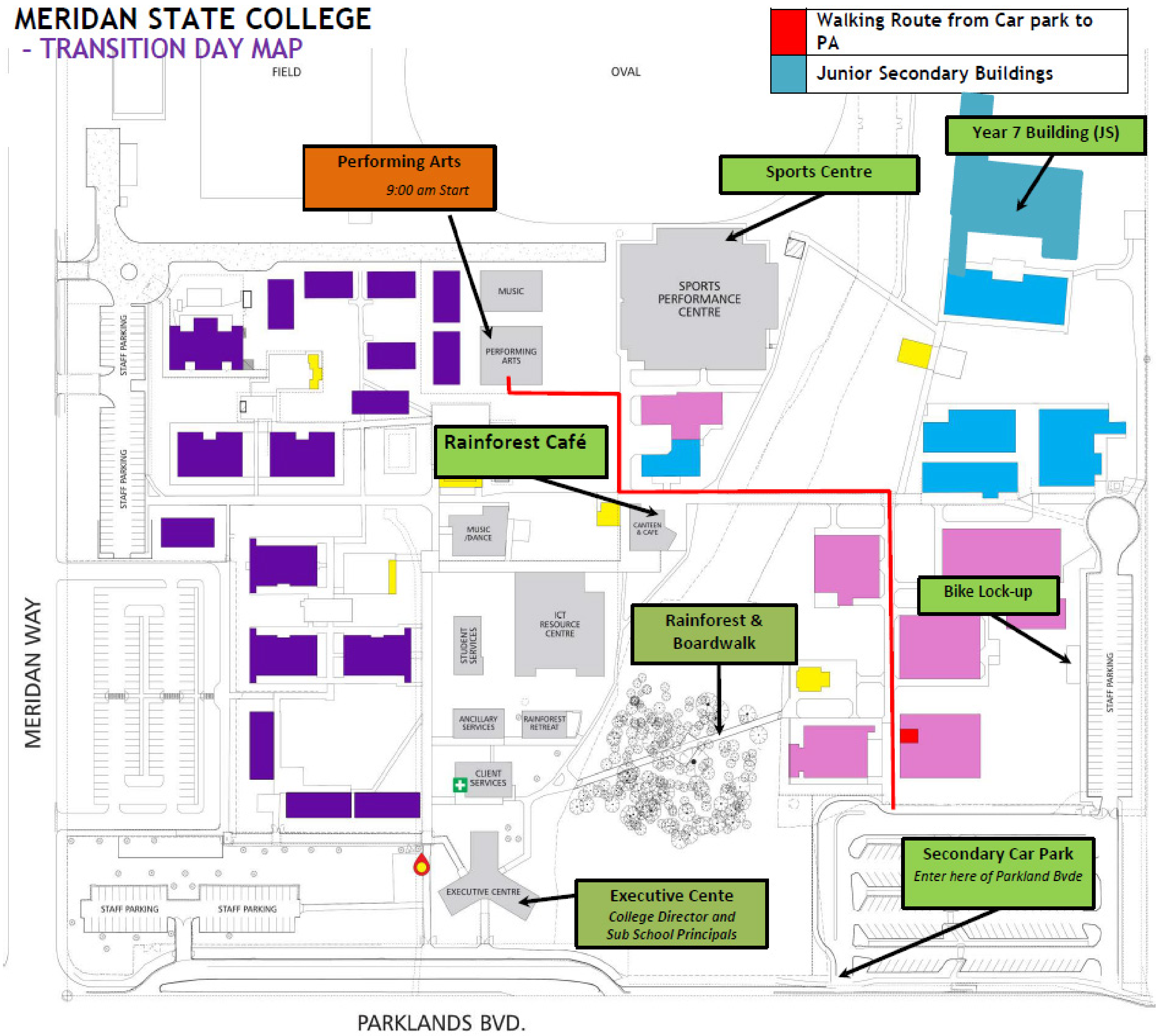
## **Chris Bubke**

Head of Department  
Junior Secondary



# Map

## MERIDAN STATE COLLEGE - TRANSITION DAY MAP



Secondary School Entrance



Performing Arts Building

# Enrolment

Please complete the enrolment procedure as soon as possible to help us organise class placements through a careful systematic process in collaboration with both Primary and Secondary teachers, support and administration team staff.

Students currently in Year 6 at Meridan State College DO NOT need to complete enrolment forms. However, during this year please contact the front office to check that all permissions and records, including Media Permissions, Contact and Medical Information is up to date.

Typically the college enrolment process includes an interview that has two key objectives/parts:

Part A) Sharing information about us: our key expectations, college wide processes and opportunities (eg. support, extension, music, sport...) and key contacts and communication structures.

Part B) Sharing information about you/new student: interests, strengths, weaknesses, support /extension needs, medical information, emerging aspirations.

Through our schedule of events in our Transition Program the information outlined in Part A will be provided to students and parents through transition day visits and Parent Information Sessions (2 Options).

All students/families will also be given the opportunity to attend a 30 minute face to face, or MS Teams meeting Flying Start Transition Meeting, to cover Part B with one of our Year 7 Staff Leadership Team members. Bookings for these meetings will open and be available in the later part of Term 3, and early Term 4.

**Please ensure you have your completed enrolment forms and documents back to the College by Friday 19 September 2025.**

For information about enrolling at Meridan visit:

<https://meridansc.eq.edu.au/enrolments/enrolling-at-our-school>

Email enrolment documents to:

[admin@meridansc.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@meridansc.eq.edu.au)

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STUDENT NAME:			
DATE OF BIRTH:	YEAR LEVEL:	CLASS:	INTERVIEW STAGE:
INTERVIEW DATE:			
INTERVIEW WITH:			
PREP ORIENTATION:		COMMUNITY:	
PROPOSED START DATE:			



ENROLMENT  
APPLICATION  
PREP – YEAR 12

# Academies @ Meridan SC

Meridan State College is excited to introduce four innovative ACADEMIES into our Junior Secondary program. These academies will allow for our passionate and highly motivated students to collaboratively work together; challenging, encouraging and extending their skills and knowledge in four key areas of the curriculum. Our academy programs are designed to ignite students' passion and develop their potential whilst aligning to future pathways.

Our Academy program offerings are:

[Academic Academy](#)

[Dance Academy](#)

[Sports Academy](#)

[STEM Academy](#)

[Music Academy](#)

Entry into ACADEMY programs is by online application only.

# Connected @ Meridan SC

At Meridan State College, we have a 1:1 learning model where all students from Year 4-12 access suitable learning devices (such as a laptop) to enhance teaching and learning in the classroom and beyond. We have two programs to facilitate access to devices:

- [Bring Your Own Device \(BYOx\)](#)
- [Meridan Laptop Program \(MLP\) \(hire from the school\)](#)

Our IT help desk located in the Resource Centre is open before school and first break every day for onboarding new devices to the network and assisting with technical problems. We use QLearn as our learning management system to support teaching and learning inside and beyond the classroom. Students will access QLearn to participate in learning activities, submit assessment, receive feedback, and access resources for all of their classes.



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