Welcome all Kalamunda Senior High School prospective students, parents and feeder primary schools to the second edition of our Transition Newsletter.

Enrolment Packages
Enrolment packages for general enrolment were hand delivered to feeder primary schools during the school visits in Term One. Enrolments close on Friday 24 July as per Department of Education requirements. Please be aware that this is Week 1 of Term 3. If you did not receive an enrolment package, they are available from the front office or you can download an enrolment application from the school website.

2016 Academic Scholarships
Applications are still open for the 2016 Academic Scholarships at Kalamunda Senior High School. The school makes available academic scholarships, each to the value of $600. For 2016 there will be 4 Year 7 scholarships. The purpose of the scholarships is to help cover the costs of books, school charges and uniforms. The scholarships are awarded to students who have shown a commitment to excellence during their primary school education. To be eligible students must be attending KSHS in 2016 as a Year 7. Presentations to the scholarship winners are made at the primary school assemblies during Semester 2. Scholarship applications and portfolios (please note applications are not accepted without a portfolio) are due by Friday 24 July. The application forms and further information was included in the enrolment packages delivered to students last term.

School Boundaries
One of the first things that parents often ask is ‘Where are the boundaries of KSHS?’ We now have a PDF digital Boundaries Map drawn up by Landgate on our school website. This interactive map allows parents to zoom in and locate where their residence is located in conjunction with the KSHS boundaries. Parents can access this website and read a text description of where the boundary cut offs are located, or they can ring KSHS and speak to Mrs Noelene Clarke who can advise if you live within the boundary.

As KSHS is a local intake school, enrolment at a feeder primary school does not guarantee enrolment at KSHS. Students must live within the boundary area to gain automatic placement. Students accepted into the GATE Art also gain entry into the school. Students successful in gaining a place in the Endorsed Outdoor Adventure Program, SIMS music students and the continuing Asian language studies may also be given priority.

After these categories of students, vacancies will be filled by:
1) Those who have a sibling currently enrolled at KSHS who is not a special program student; and
2) Proximity of residence to KSHS
Please contact the school if you need further clarification on your enrolment.
2016 Year 7 Curriculum Structure and Timetable
Year 7 students will have access to courses which cover all eight learning areas of the Australian Curriculum. Students have 25 periods per week of class-time. This will be broken down into:

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Tasters will change each term to give students a range of experiences in different specialist courses. Students in Specialist Programs such as GATE Art, Performing Arts and Outdoor Adventure, will not have access to as many term tasters as other students as they will be spending more time in their specialist area.

Purchasing School Uniforms
Kalamunda Senior High School, as an Independent Public School, is a School Board endorsed full 'school uniform' school. The school expects our students to be proud of their appearance and wearing the uniform is both a condition of enrolment and is necessary for students to maintain their Good Standing.

KSHS uniforms can be purchased online or from the Lowes store at Shop 1014/15 in the Carousel Shopping Centre, Albany Highway Cannington. They are open 7 days a week and you can buy uniforms throughout the school holidays. Lay-bys are available and discount vouchers and discount days are provided throughout the year for Kalamunda SHS families. Opening hours are:
- Mon, Tues, Wed – 9.00am – 5.30pm
- Thurs – 9.00am – 9.00pm
- Fri – 9.00am – 7.00pm
- Sat – 9.00am – 5.00pm
- Sun – 11.00am – 5.00pm

Online ordering is available by visiting: [www.lowes.com.au](http://www.lowes.com.au)

Transition Days
In Term Three, many Year 6/7 students will have the opportunity to visit KSHS and spend ‘a day in the life of a high school student’. The day will focus on highlighting those things that are the same and different from primary school. Each primary school will visit separately so the students can feel comfortable with their current classmates and teachers. They will get a taste of attending lessons at a high school site by participating in lessons taught by high school staff. They will have a tour, use the facilities (toilets, cafeteria etc) and experience lessons such as Phys Ed, Art or Design and Technology. Mrs Helen Deacon, Principal and Mr Mark Pettit, Head of Middle School, will coordinate the day and address the students. This fantastic day is really enjoyed by all students, regardless of where they will be attending high school.
School Open Day
The School Open Day was a wonderful chance for parents and students to visit KSHS and have a look around. Families were be addressed by the Principal, Mrs Helen Deacon and then taken on a tour of the school facilities. Families who were not able make the School Open Day are welcome to book a family tour at any time during the school year.

BYOD – (Bring Your Own Device)
As with most high schools, this year KSHS moved to a BYOD program to ensure all students have access to a personal computer at school. This has been a terrific success with approximately 85% of students bringing a device to use in their classes. Teachers have all been provided with a device and all Year 7 classes have been making the move from hard copy to digital in accessing, filing and storing of work. As well as having an online textbook for mathematics, which students complete on their screen with their interactive pen, teachers have been able to upload worksheets and units of work through the Department of Education ‘Connect’ site. Students are also able to submit work through Connect and email their teachers with questions and problems.

For 2016 we will ask Year 7 students to bring their own computing devices to school. More information about device specifications is available on our school website. We are aware of the financial implications of this purchase and feel this advance notice will allow our families to plan for its inclusion on the booklist. The cost is estimated at around $800 - $1200 depending on various options of warranty, insurance and model.

Bus Transport
Many students travel to and from school using the public transport buses. A timetable is available from our front office containing arrival and departure times of a variety of bus services. Some students must swap buses at the Midland Terminal to connect them to a service that transports them close to home.

Teachers are on duty at the school bus stands after school as students are departing. The bus stands are situated on Cotherstone and Canning Roads as indicated on the map below:
**SmartRider**
The SmartRider is similar in size to a credit card and is available for all students throughout the state. Students received an application for a SmartRider card in their enrolment package. Parents need to complete and submit to the school with the completed enrolment forms. Student information will be released through the school to the Public Transport Authority who will issue the SmartRider cards. The cards will be sent to the school and students will receive them during the first week of 2015. Until the cards arrive, students will need to pay cash to ride the bus. This is approximately $1.80 each way but may differ according to the route your child takes.

**Important Dates Calendar**

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| 3    | Friday 24 July | Closing date for 2016 KSHS Years 7-12 Enrolment  
Closing date for 2016 KSHS Year 7 Academic Scholarship Portfolios  
Transition Days for Feeder Primary Schools |
| 4    | Friday 27 November | Year 7 Orientation Day |
|      | Wednesday 2 December | Special Program Welcoming Ceremony (AESP, AEP, GATE, KPA, OAP) |

**Website**
We encourage you to visit our website kalamundashs.wa.edu.au to keep updated with news and activities happening in the school. If you subscribe, you will also receive our regular News Review.

In the meantime if you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact Ms Susan Archdall on 92936400 or susan.archdall@education.wa.edu.au

Regards

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Susan Archdall  
Year 7 Coordinator