

HAHS Boarding School Orientation Day for 2026



Time	Location	Personnel	Parent Program Student program	
1/12/2025 12:00 – 12:50pm	Meet at the school office and sign in. We will escort you to the uniform shop or dining hall.	Boarding school executive: *Samir Seblani (HTW) *Melissa Collins (HTW) *Sailash Krishan (DP) * Sharon Davis (DP) * Cassandra Jones (CLO) * Thomas Elley (R. Principal)	 Those families who have made a uniform try-on booking will be escorted to the uniform shop. (bookings can be made here - https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/m9cvc Otherwise, at dining hall there will be an opportunity to get some lunch. From approx. 3pm, students will be able to place their belongings for overnight (see below **) in their dorm spaces. Keys will be issued to students for use during their stay in the dining hall. Students should be dressed in casual clothes and bring a water bottle. (see 	
12:50 pm – 1:05pm	Dining Hall	Catercare staff	 Parents and students will receive a short briefing from the cater care staff on nutrition, dietary requirements and ordering take away meals. Order take-away recess for 2/12/25 	
1:05 – 1:45pm	Dining Hall	Boarding School Executive	Enjoy lunch with the boarders and duty staff	
1:45pm -3pm	Dining Hall	Boarding School Executive	Presentation that covers; • The duty team and supporting boarders and families • REACH leave application process (see below*)– create your first 'host' • Right Place Right Time – going over the document that supports daily routines.	
3pm – 3:30pm	Day School Common room for parents Dining Hall for students	Sailash, with Boarding Administration for parents Melissa and Samir, with current boarders for students	 Parents will move to the day school and review financial information, residential agreements and responsibilities. Travel arrangements and communication will also be covered. Boarders will have afternoon tea with the current boarders Mr Seblani and Ms Collins will organise activity program for the boarders which will include going 'over the line'. 	
3:30pm – 4pm	-Tour for parents that includes wellbeing centre and demonstration of accessing the gate intercomStudents tour of OTL and accessing the pedestrian gate.	Sailash with parents Samir and Melissa with the students	 Visit to Wellbeing to review medication procedure– regular and as required. (see below ***) Walk to the Service Rd gate (adjacent to the station) and review access procedure. 	

4pm – 5pm	Uniform Shop (behind the dining hall)	Boarding School executive	Parents will be escorted to the uniform shop and support the try on of uniforms and ordering	 Students meet parents at the uniform shop and try on uniforms for order. Once finished return to the dining hall to meet Ms Collins and Mr Seblani to discuss extra-curricular and external recreation activity opportunities
5pm onwards	Uniform shop and blocks	Melissa and Samir – with students Sailash, Sharon, Cassandra and Thomas Elley with parents	 Parents can leave site to check into hotels and prepare for dinner at The Sherwood Macarthur. Principal and Deputy Principals and Community Liaison Officer. We will provide transport for those who have travelled by public transport or aircraft to and from the school for dinner. During dinner – we will distribute a book of support materials for students and parents. 	 Time to shower and make beds in preparation for later in the evening. Prepare for dinner at 5:30pm in school ppdining hall. Students can use mobile phones during this timeslot (except during dinner 5:30 – 6:05pm)
After dinner			Parents depart the school and return on Tuesday for the Day School Orientation Day (see the program for the days events)	 Students will be briefed on safety for boarding school such as evac procedures, overnight support etc Students will continue with activities (movie night!) and be settled for bed from 9pm, along with the current students. Student will have the opportunity to use their mobile phones up to-Current Year 6 –8 students – 8:30pm Current Year 9 – up to 9pm Evening medications at 8pm in Wellbeing
<mark>2/12/25</mark> 7am – 8:15am	Boarding School	Duty Staff		 Students to collect their lunches for the Day school orientation Students will be supported to be ready for breakfast at 7:30am and return to the blocks to pack up their supplies, ready to take home in the afternoon

				Students will be able to communicate with parents, except during breakfast 7:30am -8 am
				 7:55am morning medications in Wellbeing
8:15am – 8:40 am	Dining room	Sailash Krishan		 Meet new boarders in the dining room and go through any questions in a Q & A session.
8:40am	School Hall	Sailash Krishan	 Parents to park out front of school and move to the hall to meet their child. 	Escort the students to the hall to meet parents
9am – 2pm	School hall etc as per the program		 Parents and students to follow plan for orientation day 2pm parents and students to meet Mr Krishan at the residential block to collect student belongings to depart. Student hand back their keys and fobs. Clarify any questions or concerns. 	

What should we pack for the overnight stay (**)

- The school will supply a mattress protector, sheet and a towel, families should bring quilt (king single) OR a sleeping bag
- Pillow and pillowcase.
- Shower gear (in a shower bag/plastic bag that can be taken to the bathroom) soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant etc
- Pyjamas
- Underwear change
- Your current school uniform (new students will attend the orientation in their current uniforms)
- Hat
- Joggers and socks and thongs
- Any medication that may be required, including asthma puffers/EpiPens or prescription medication that is in the original packaging with pharmacy label intact (Please hand that in on arrival)
- Charger and mobile phone (if they have one) OR alarm clock/iPad etc
- Writing materials for Tuesday 2/12.
- We will organise food for breakfast, recess and lunch in the dining hall for students during Orientation Day (2/12).
- We will order the students lunch for 2/12, that they can collect at breakfast.

Student Medical information (*)** – Please ensure that all enrolments and medical forms are returned to the school administration before the 22nd of November so we can ensure we can support your child during the overnight stay.

REACH leave application (*) – We will create your REACH accounts before the 2nd of December. We recommend downloading the app (REACH boarding) on your phone before the 1st of December.



