



James Sheahan Catholic High School Orange

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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 2018 Enrolment

Enrolment in the Senior School at James Sheahan Catholic High School

I am writing to inform you about the procedure for enrolment of your child from Year 10 into Year 11 for 2018. During Year 10, all students wishing to continue their schooling at James Sheahan will need to complete a formal enrolment process, including an enrolment interview. The school recognises enrolment in Years 11 and 12 as being distinct from enrolment in Years 7 to 10.

The process for enrolment in the Senior School

At this time in a child's educational pathway, there are important decisions that need to be made. In order for us to best assist you and your child in this important decision making process we are conducting personal interviews with parents/carers, the prospective Year 11 student and a senior member of staff. The interviews provide an opportunity for discussion on subject choices in the light of your child's post-school aspirations, his/her academic abilities and interests as well as an occasion for reinforcing our expectations of senior students. The interviews also provide an opportunity to discuss senior study habits and approaches that are most likely to bring success.

During the interview we will also provide advice on course choices and subject levels. In some subjects (eg English, Mathematics, Science) we may only be able to offer enrolment in the subject level or course determined as the most appropriate for your child. Of course, this would involve full consultation with both you and your child. Performance and effort displayed in Year 10 will be considered when course interest exceeds available places.

Attendance at the enrolment interview and acceptance of the Senior Enrolment Agreement are considered essential before the school can finalise your child's enrolment. Attendance by students and parents/carers at the Year 11, 2018 **Information Evening on 20 July 2017** is also considered to be an integral step in the enrolment process.

At this evening, information outlining requirements for the HSC, explanation of the ATAR and subject selection process will be given. The enrolment application form, pattern of study form and details on interview booking will also be issued. Staff representatives from all subject areas will be available to discuss any questions with parents and students regarding courses on offer.

Selecting Courses for 2018

The information booklet accompanying this letter will provide an insight into what courses are available and valuable information regarding both the Preliminary and HSC courses. Using the information in this handbook, please discuss possible courses with your child. The sample pattern of study guide in the back of the handbook will assist in ensuring subjects selected meet necessary requirements.

James Sheahan Catholic High School utilises a web-based course selection process that allows students to submit their Year 11 course selections online. Information on this process will be emailed to students.

All students are expected to use this process as paper course selection forms will not be distributed. Students without access to the internet at home will have the opportunity to complete their online selections on **Thursday 27 July 2017** in the school library under the guidance of Ms Kieron Hogan, Year 10 Coordinator.

Students will need to return to the office their enrolment application and pattern of study form by Thursday 27 July 2017. The school will make recommendations regarding English, Mathematics and Science courses based on student performance this year. These recommendations will be communicated to students and their parents at the enrolment interviews.

Online course selections must be completed by 4.00pm on Thursday 27 July 2017.

Booking an enrolment interview

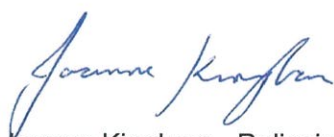
Enrolment interviews will take place on Saturday 29 July, Monday 31 July and Tuesday 1 August 2017. Interviews will be conducted with a senior member of staff and will be approximately 25 minutes in duration. Details on how to book an interview will be issued at the Information Evening on Thursday, 20 July 2017.

Online Interview booking must be completed by 4.00pm on Thursday 27 July 2017.

James Sheahan staff look forward to working with you to plan a pattern of study for your child that maximises his/her opportunities for success in Years 11 and 12, and beyond. I am confident that this process will be beneficial and helpful to parents and students.

Year 11 2018 Enrolment Timeline	
Date	Organisation
Friday 30 June 2017	Issuing of information booklet with Semester 1 Reports
Thursday 20 July 2017 – 7.00pm	Year 11 2018 Information Evening (<i>Mercy Hall</i>) Attendance at this evening is compulsory for all new and continuing students seeking enrolment in Year 11 2018 and their parents/carers Each student will receive their: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application form, • Interview booking information (1 interview per student) • Subject selection/pattern of study form
Thursday 27 July 2017	Final date for submission of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application Form • Subjects selection • Interview booking <p>(<i>ALL students are to hand completed form into Front Office. Both returning and NON returning.</i>)</p>
Saturday 29 July 2017; Monday 31 July 2017, Tuesday 1 August 2017	Year 11 2018 Interviews (<i>1 per student</i>)
Friday 11 August 2017	Final date for submission of course selection variation form to Mr Tilston
August 2017	Initial letters of offer mailed

Yours sincerely



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