



Key Steps to Year 7, 2021

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CATHERINE McAULEY

There are five key steps which allow us to best prepare for your child's start at Catherine McAuley College. Our intention is to obtain as much information as possible in partnership with our families about their learning and social needs before commencement.

*Please note that due to COVID-19 uncertainties, some details may change. We will confirm details prior to each transition step.

STEP 1 Online Transition Meeting	Remote Online Google MeetDate: Wednesday 26 & Thursday 27 August; Tuesday 1 & Wednesday 2 SeptemberTime: 4pm – 5.40pmThese meetings run for approximately fifteen minutes and will be a discussion between you, your child and a senior staff member. Students and parents are required at this meeting.Book via the Parent Access Module (PAM) following the instructions in the accompanying letter. Bookings open Friday 21 August.
STEP 2 Online Testing Session	Remote Online Testing Date: Complete prior to Friday 25 September As an important part of the enrolment process, the College will conduct testing. These tests assess each child's numeracy skills and reading comprehension. They provide teachers with an indication of the learning needs of your child and it gives us the ability to prepare for your child's arrival at Catherine McAuley College. It is important that we work in partnership to develop a Learning Profile for your child. Due to COVID-19 we are conducting the tests remotely this year. This will require you to supervise two online tests for your child, at a time that suits you, prior to Friday 25 September. The tests to be administered are two 40-minute tests: the numeracy PAT Maths Plus test and the PAT-R Comprehension. These tests do not need to be sat consecutively, they can be sat on different days. These tests are different to the testing that takes place in the Primary settings at the end of term.
	Further information will come following the Transition Meeting.
STEP 3 Parent Information Evening	Venue: Catherine McAuley College, McAuley Square, Coolock Campus, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun Date: Monday 7 December Time: 6.30pm – 8pm This evening provides key 2021 information for parents. Your child is welcome to attend, but not required. No booking required. *Pending COVID restrictions
STEP 4 Orientation Day	Venue: Catherine McAuley College, Coolock Campus, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun Date: Tuesday 8 December Time: 9.30am – 2.30pm The intention of Orientation Day is for students to familiarise themselves with day-to-day life at Catherine McAuley College. Transport will be arranged for all students travelling from Catholic Primary Schools. On arrival, all students will be directed to meet in McAuley Square, by 9.30am at the latest, to start the day. *Pending COVID restrictions
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STEP 5 Pastoral Planning Day 2021	 Venue: Catherine McAuley College, Coolock Campus, McIvor Hwy, Junortoun Date: To be confirmed Time: 9am – 5pm Pastoral Planning Day is designed as a welcome for all students of our College. Each student will have a 15-minute meeting with their Learning Mentor, to set goals and ensure they are prepared for their first day. More details, including booking arrangements, will follow later this year.