



August 13th, 2019

Dear Year 7 Parents and Students:

**Re: Welcome to Year 7!**

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Jake Eades and I will be Head of Year 7 for the upcoming school year. We are all very much looking forward to meeting you all and welcoming you to the senior school.

We have a very strong Year 7 team in place to help you all with your transition into senior school consisting of myself as Head of Year and three homeroom teachers Ms Dunn, Ms Compton and Mr Luu. As homerooms are still being finalised please use me as a point of contact if you have any questions at this time. My Email address is [jeades@chatsworth.com.sg](mailto:jeades@chatsworth.com.sg)

I will share with you a few pieces of information that may be useful to help you get ready for the first day of school on the 14th.

**What to bring for the first day of school.**

The first day of school is not a regular school day, all students will be off timetable so no need to bring a computer. Students just need to bring a pen, a water bottle and some snacks (the canteen is also open more on that in a second.)

**Using the Sixth Avenue Shuttle Bus**

If your child is coming to school via the shuttle bus it will be free for the first few weeks of school, and starting soon students will be able to use their EZ Link cards to access the shuttle bus to/from 6th Avenue MRT. Bus details are on our website. There will be a teacher on duty at the MRT station until about 8:35am for the first few days of school to help with logistics.

**Using the canteen**

Students will be able to use cash to purchase from the canteen, the electronic payment system will be up and running soon.

**Where should my child go at the start of the first day?**

Myself and the homeroom teachers will be waiting in the Nest to greet the students. Please feel free to come and say hello if you are accompanying them. There will be a sign up saying Year 7 so head towards that.

### **What will happen at the end of the school day?**

For the first week of school Year 7 students will finish the day five minutes early at 15.30 (not 15.35) to allow them to get to the shuttle bus or school busses before the rest of the senior school. Please make note of this if you are meeting your child at the end of the day.

### **When will the students need to bring their computer?**

As stated Year 7 students don't need their computer on the first day of school but can they please bring it in on Thursday the 15th of August and every day from then on please.

More in-depth information about the first day of school can be found here, in Mr McCallum's welcome back newsletter.

<http://international.chatsworth.com.sg/sites/default/files/International%20School/School%20Matters/Secondary%20Matters/Secondary%20Correspondence/2019-2020/August/BT%20Secondary%20Start%20of%20Year%20Newsletter%20Aug%202019.pdf>

As a school we recognise the transition from Primary school to Senior school is a combination of excitement, trepidation and nerves for all involved, so I will finish by saying we are all very excited to welcome the new Year 7 group to the school and do all we can to help them get settled in.

Regards

### **Jake Eades**

Head of Year 7

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