

Term 2

Year 7

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NEWSLETTER

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RESPECT INTEGRITY RESPONSIBILITY

WELCOME TO TERM 2

We would like to extend a warm welcome back to new and existing VPSHS families as we commence term 2. Year 7 will continue to strengthen the personal and social links between peers, staff and the community. Our focus is to develop skills that support students' confidence as they continue their transition into high school. The Student Planner is a great resource to assist students to acknowledge their success and identify their challenges, write their goals and utilise the learning behaviours, located on the back cover, to create an impact.

The school's Family Group Program will be centered around personal and social capability. There will be a focus on self-awareness, emotional awareness and reflection. Capturing student voice is important to us at VPSHS and this opportunity exists with our newly appointed year 7 student ambassadors as well as the upcoming Queensland Engagement and Wellbeing Survey (you would have received an email regarding this on the 21/4/26). Results from this will allow us to better support our students and meet their needs.

In assembly in week 2, Individual Student TrackEd Profiles were provided in hard copy to students. This profile allows students to monitor their academic achievement and identify both habits and barriers which may enhance or detract from achievement. Students were given the opportunity to set goals and actions leading into this term's learning period. I encourage families to utilise the attached presentation to further discuss their child's academic journey and contribute to academic goals. A reminder that Student Tutorials are available at breaks and after school in the Homework Centre.

BIG DAY IN 2.0

Our Year 7 students recently took part in a fantastic Building Stronger Connections Day on Friday, 27 March 2026.

All students were involved in a full-day program run by the UPP Service Team. A big thank you to our presenters, Cody and Rebecca, who created a safe, supportive environment where every student felt comfortable to participate. Throughout the day, students explored how to build stronger connections through communication skills, collaboration and creative thinking activities. They worked within their family groups and across the wider cohort, engaging in a range of fun, practical and challenging games and activities.

The day finished on a high note with a sausage sizzle and a Zooper Dooper, celebrating the positive energy and teamwork shown by all.

We would also like to acknowledge our Peer Leaders for their outstanding facilitation and the care they showed in supporting their Year 7 family groups, it was truly appreciated.

To wrap up the day, our School-Based Police Officer, Cory, spoke with students about cyber safety and the law, providing valuable insights for navigating the online world safely.

A wonderful day of connection, learning, and community!



VPV POINTS

Throughout Term 2, our Year 7 students were awarded Victoria Point Values (VPV) points in every lesson, every school day. Each week, our top-performing students, including Students of the Week and poster competition winners were entered into a draw to win one of two Friendship Picnic prizes.

We are pleased to announce that our randomly selected winners were Aubree M and Rachel C. They each invited three friends to enjoy a special picnic with a basket of food goodies during lunchtime in Week 1.

In addition, our top VPV point earners for the term were recognised with \$10 (Spencer G) and \$5 (Gypsy A) canteen vouchers for achieving the highest overall points in Year 7.

Congratulations to all students on their efforts and achievements!



YEAR 7 COMPETITIONS

In Term 1, our Year 11 Peer Leaders, with the support of Mrs Kavanagh, organised a weekly trivia competition for each Family Group.

During each year level assembly, results were announced and the winning Family Group for the week received bonus Victoria Point Values (VPV) points in recognition of their efforts.

We are pleased to announce that the overall winning Family Group for Term 1 is Mrs Oztan's 7C class. As a reward, they will enjoy a class pizza party during Week 3.

A sincere thank you to our Year 11 Peer Leaders for driving this competition and creating such a positive sense of engagement across the cohort.

Looking ahead to Term 2, our Year 11 Peer Leaders, together with our Year 7 Ambassadors, will be introducing even more activities and competitions for our cohort to enjoy.



CROSS COUNTRY & COLOUR RUN

On the last day of Term 2, many of our Year 7 students enthusiastically participated in the annual Cross Country and Colour Run. It was a fantastic day filled with energy, fun, and school spirit.

Students showed great determination and resilience as they completed the course, while also enjoying the vibrant and playful atmosphere of the colour run. It was wonderful to see so many students supporting one another, getting involved, and celebrating the end of a successful term together.



DATE CLAIMERS

- VPSHS Subject Information & Enrolments- 26 May
- Charlie & the Chocolate Factory Production- 23 & 24 June
- Vikings Track & Field Carnival 25 June
- Last day of term 2, 26 June

YEAR 7 AMBASSADORS

Congratulations to our Year 7 Ambassadors who proudly received their badges in week 1, presented by our Peer Leaders.

We are excited to see these students take on this important leadership role as they support our upcoming primary school visits and share their experiences of transitioning to high school. Their voice, leadership and feedback will help future students feel confident and welcomed as they prepare for the move to secondary school. They have been answering any questions from our future students. It has been great for them to visit their old primary schools and see familiar faces.

We look forward to seeing the positive impact they will make throughout the year. Well done, Ambassadors!



REMINDERS

UNIFORM

- Formal uniform Monday
- Day uniform Tuesday - Friday
- School jumpers purchased at the uniform shop

ATTENDANCE

- Arrive on time to school and classes

#READY2LEARN

- Fully charged BYOD
- Phones away for the day