

# YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL



## Parent Update Week 5, Term 1 - 2020

### What to expect in primary school

If your child is in year 5 or 6 this year, they'll be graduating from primary school next year. To get ready, primary schools will be talking to you about graduation ceremonies, leadership opportunities and graduation jumpers or tops for the graduating classes of 2021.

We will be developing information packs to help our primary schools keep you informed, so stay engaged with your school to keep updated with the latest information.

### Pilot high schools welcome year 7s

Our pilot program started this term, with Wirreanda Secondary School, Mitcham Girls High School and John Pirie Secondary School welcoming their first year 7s ahead of the statewide move in 2022.

As part of this work, we've been speaking to families from each of the pilot schools.

### What pilot families are saying

Parents and students are looking forward to the new opportunities that high school has to offer. Some parents and students feel they are ready to take the next step, and many feel primary school is no longer a challenge as year 7 grows near. While high school is a big change in year 7 or year 8, the desire to grow outweighs the apprehension.

Some worries remain, such as being in a bigger school, the different expectations of workload, missing out on rites of passage and being with older students. These are topics we are also thinking about, and we'll be working closely with your school to manage these concerns together.

### Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: [www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS)

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: [Year7toHS@sa.gov.au](mailto:Year7toHS@sa.gov.au).

