



# LINDISFARNE

Anglican Grammar School

Year 7 Welcome Week Program



# WELCOME TO MIDDLE SCHOOL

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At Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, we are proud to offer a high-quality, independent, co-educational, Anglican education.

Our Middle School comprises Years 5 through to Year 8. We aim to create a supportive environment that promotes a sense of belonging and connectedness by engaging students in stimulating and challenging learning experiences that develop skills and understandings, enabling students to contribute in meaningful ways to an increasingly interdependent world.

We place significant emphasis on personal and social development alongside academic and spiritual growth. The culture is supportive yet challenging.

Middle School is a crucial time for students' cognitive and social-emotional development. It is a period of transition: from childhood to adolescence, from dependence towards independence. As such, every Year 7 student participates in a comprehensive transition program to provide a firm foundation for their secondary education.

The curriculum is designed to cater to the varying needs of our students in these critical years through differentiation within the classroom setting, as well as enrichment opportunities designed to encourage all students to broaden their knowledge in a range of areas beyond the set curriculum, including diverse extra-curricular opportunities.

To assist our students in understanding the next stage of their educational journey, we have designed a Welcome Week Program to orientate and establish the foundational knowledge and skills required to become a successful Lindisfarne student.

During Welcome Week and throughout the year, our passionate and knowledgeable Middle School teachers will foster a sense of community for our Year 7 students and their families. Our staff will connect and create opportunities for our students to discover new friendships, build positive relationships, explore their new surroundings and begin to build a deep connection with what it means to be a Lindisfarne student.

Welcome to Year 7 at Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School..

Cathy Cox  
**Head of Middle School**





Compassion



Wisdom



Respect



Leadership



Standards



Collaboration

## OUR PURPOSE

Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School is a high quality, independent, Anglican, co-educational grammar school that serves the southern Gold Coast, Tweed Coast and northern New South Wales. We seek to provide the distinctive identity, relationships, learning and leadership that support our staff and families to work together to meet our high expectations for the achievement and holistic development of our students in our local, national and international communities.

With a focus on academic excellence, co-curricular enhancement, and deeply embedded pastoral care, we cultivate learning through relationships, expert teaching, educational research, and innovation. We are guided by our School motto, *Luceat Lux Vestra – Let Your Light Shine* to give our students the best start to their learning journey.

## OUR VALUES

Within our Anglican tradition, we value:

- **Compassion:** Building genuine relationships through generosity of spirit and care for others.
- **Wisdom:** Gaining the knowledge, understanding, skills and character that comes from learning.
- **Respect:** Appreciating all within our environment and leaving an honourable legacy for those who follow.

## OUR CULTURE

We cultivate learning through relationships, expert teaching, educational research and innovation that focus on:

- **Leadership:** Creating the competencies that equip us with hope, clarity and direction.
- **Standards:** Establishing high expectations that empower student involvement, development, achievement, service and voice.
- **Collaboration:** Working together within aligned structures, processes, practices and systems that enable our desired ethos and strategy.

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## INTRODUCING THE YEAR 7 STAFF

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### Head of Middle School

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# YEAR 7 WELCOME WEEK PROGRAM

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**2023**

**Friday, 17 November 2023**

## **Year 7 Orientation Day Mahers Lane**

8.20am	Current Year 6 students go to their Homeroom. Current students remain in Home Rooms until 9.25am before moving to the Ngahriyah.
8.30am	School and Middle School Captains to greet new students at front gate and direct to the Chapel (no parents allowed)
8.50am	Orientation Session & Welcomes begin - Ngahriyah
9.40am	Introduction of Homeroom Teachers for 2024
10.00am	Welcome to Middle School Lessons begin
12.45pm	Lunch and tug-o-war on top oval (House Captains + staff)
1.25pm	Conclusion of Lunch & Formal wrap up of Orientation Day
1.45pm	Students move to Ngahriyah or Chapel based on PAT Testing Status
2.45pm	Conclusion of Orientation Day

# YEAR 7 WELCOME WEEK PROGRAM

2024

## Thursday, 25 January 2024- Week 0

Time	Location	Activities
1.00pm - 1.30pm	The Chapel	Welcome Address by Head of Middle School  The Reverend Constantine together with our Principal Mr Stuart Marquardt will address the students.
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Homeroom	Year 7 Coordinators Sam Dick and Brittany Slade to cover the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meet the Middle School Captains &amp; House Captains</li><li>• Meet the Home Room Teacher, classmates &amp; Organisation.</li><li>• Reading a High School timetable and using diaries.</li><li>• Tour of important places and first day need-to-knows</li><li>• Question/Answer time</li></ul>

## Monday, 29 January 2024- Week 1A

Homeroom Time 8.20am - 8.40am	Homerooms	Whole School Welcome - Principal Marquardt  Home Room Teachers will discuss Lindisfarne expectations, values and standards including:  > School Values: Compassion, Wisdom and Respect. > Classroom Behaviour and expectations at School such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>&gt; Entering Classrooms</li><li>&gt; Leaving Classrooms</li><li>&gt; Using Lockers</li><li>&gt; Uniform expectations</li><li>&gt; Using Diaries - Week A and Week B</li><li>&gt; Play area and expectations</li></ul>
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## Tuesday, 30 January 2024

Pastoral Care Lesson	Chapel/ The Learning Commons	Using Your Mac: How to Navigate your new Computer and the suite of tools used at Lindisfarne e.g Google Classroom, SEQTA Learn Explain the DiscoverED program
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# YEAR 7 WELCOME WEEK PROGRAM

**2024**

## Wednesday, 31 January 2024

Home Room 8:20am-8:40am	Home Rooms	Principal Address: Welcome & School's History
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## Thursday, 1 February 2024

Periods 3 & 4	Chapel  6 breakout areas:	Houses at Lindisfarne Meet the Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School Leaders (School Captains, Vice Captains &amp; House Captains- Senior School)</li><li>• 6 House groups with House Leaders and Heads of House to teach, Warcries, explain House colours, Saints, Feast Day, Culture</li><li>• Team Building Activities in Houses</li><li>• Swimming Carnival preparation</li></ul>
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## Friday, 2 February 2024

Home Room 8:20am-8:40am	The Learning Commons	The Lindisfarne Sustainability Program presented by Patrick Brabant (School Assistant - Sustainability)
Period 5 & 6	Ngahriyah	Showcase of Co-Curricular Options for Year 7 students

## Tuesday, 6 February 2024

6pm-7pm (NSW time)	Ngahriyah	Meet the Home Room Teacher
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# THE LINDISFARNE SCHOOL PRAYER

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God with us,  
your ways are wise  
and your love unending.  
We thank you for  
Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School,  
for all who learn and serve here;  
students, staff and friends.  
We pray that our school will be  
a place of compassion, wisdom and respect.  
Enable us to grow to honour you  
and know the fullness of your love.  
We come to you through  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

## STUDENT LEADERS

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**Desiree Mahleka**  
**School Captain**



**Fergus Hogan**  
**School Captain**



**Mia Harris**  
**School Vice**  
**Captain**



**Tate Dee**  
**School Vice**  
**Captain**



**Emmerson Born**  
**Middle School**  
**Captain**



**Ajay Arun**  
**Middle School**  
**Captain**



**Astrid Young**  
**Middle School**  
**Vice Captain**



**Charlie Buchan**  
**Middle School**  
**Vice Captain**



**Amy Cronk**  
**Middle School Prefect**



**Jay Cahill**  
**Middle School Prefect**

# LINDISFARNE HOUSES

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St Andrew was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. His name refers to warrior, valour and courage and is reflected in the passionate House colour of red.

St Andrew is the Patron Saint of Scotland and the white cross and blue colour of the crest reflect the Scottish flag. The thistle is the Scottish national emblem, and St Andrew is also the Patron Saint of the Order of the Thistle.

**Head of House:** Simon Leach  
**House Captains:** Alex Dujmovic and James Campbell  
**House Vice Captains:** Lolo Laga and Billy Wardle



St Barnabas was an important early Christian missionary and one of the Apostolic Fathers. The name Barnabas means son of encouragement which is reflected in the House colour of yellow.

The symbol of the rose comes from a tradition at St Barnabas's Feast Day in England, where boys and girls would garland themselves with roses in full bloom. St Barnabas is often depicted with an olive branch, symbolic of his role as peacemaker.

**Head of House:** Dan Robins  
**House Captains:** Bridie Bedford and Jaxon Jordan  
**House Vice Captains:** Tilly McLaughlin and Ryan Lamb



St Cuthbert was one of the early Bishops of Lindisfarne and was believed to be a relative of King Aldfrith of Northumbria. The House colour purple illustrates royalty.

St Cuthbert was also believed to have owned griffin claws and eggs as relics which denote strength, courage and leadership. The St Cuthbert Cross is another key symbol utilised in the crest.

**Head of House:** Hayley McDonald  
**House Captains:** Naira Kraus and Max McGowan  
**House Vice Captains:** Tilly Johnston and Kegan Dorrough



St Hilda is a significant figure in the history of English Christianity. As the abbess of Whitby – a monastery for both men and women – she led one of the most important religious centres in the Anglo-Saxon world.

A member of the royal family, St Hilda is considered one of the patron saints of learning and culture, including poetry, as represented by the feathered quill. When charged with founding an Abbey in Whitby, St Hilda first had to rid the region of an infestation of snakes, legend says she turned them to stone, so in the cliffs below the Abbey, the 'stone snakes' or ammonites can be seen.

**Head of House:** Bronwyn Dann  
**House Captains:** Romme Williams and Holly Pooler  
**House Vice Captains:** Sienna Wallington and Alec Lees



St Margaret was considered a strong, pure and noble Queen. St. Margaret is the patron saint for service to the poor, performing her charitable acts to honour Christ. She valued reading and helped to establish monasteries as places of learning.

The fleur di lis is a symbol taken directly from her royal crown, heralding French royalty where it was used to represent the 'right to rule' or leadership. The swallows come from St Margaret's coat of arms and are often associated with 'rebirth and resurrection' or in modern times to represent new beginnings.

**Head of House:** Alyssa Malone  
**House Captains:** Shakyah Jordan and Daisy Allen  
**House Vice Captains:** Caille Eriksen and Claudia Arghyros



St Stephen was the first Christian martyr. The name Stephen in Greek means "wreath" and by extension represents reward, honour and renown. The House colour green represents growth and immortality.

St Stephen was known for his generosity which is reflected in the palm and the scroll represents his role as an evangelist who sought to educate others.

**Head of House:** Cathy Myers  
**House Captains:** Kiara Denny and Harlan Green  
**House Vice Captains:** Ella Mitchell and Henry McMillan



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