

Student and Parent/Carer Information Brochure 2025





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Principal's Introduction

Welcome to Deloraine High School. This booklet is produced for parents and students to provide information about our school.

Deloraine High School is a high performing school. It has a well-established tradition of academic, cultural, performance arts and sporting excellence. The School enjoys a good working relationship with the School Association enabling a consultative and collaborative relationship with the Deloraine and associated communities.



Deloraine High School draws from a number of primary schools. Students come from a diverse socio-economic, cultural and occupational backgrounds. The school community is proud of the achievements of both current and past students.

Our focus is developing and realising the potential of individual students and developing programs which are personally relevant to them. Good relationships form the basis of a safe and supportive learning environment created for students at Deloraine High School. We offer a well-structured, diverse and inclusive curriculum taught by highly qualified staff. Recently redeveloped facilities support 21st Century learning.

David Lietzau **Principal**



Our Why - Bright lives, positive futures

Our How - Every child and young person is known, safe, well and learning

Our Values -

Connection, Courage, Growth, Respect and Responsibility

Key Priorities

- A valued, capable workforce
- Strong partnerships with children, young people, families and community
- On-going implementation of the Australian Curriculum
- Continual improvement in Literacy and Numeracy outcomes
- To provide quality learning experiences which improve student outcomes
- To be a Respectful School with a whole school approach to positive behaviour and supporting students in need.

What are our school times?

Home Group	8.55-9.05am
Block 1	9.05-10.20am
Recess 1	10.20-10.35am
Block 2	10.35-11.50am
Recess 2	11.50am-12.05pm
Block 3	12.05-1.20pm
Lunch	1.20-1.50pm
Block 4	1.50-3.05pm

Note for parents/carers

There is no supervision of students before 8.35am. Students should not arrive at school until after this time.



When is there supervision at school?

Staff will be on duty from 8.35am each morning. Students should not be on the grounds before this time. When dismissed from classes at 3.05pm you need to leave the school grounds via Lansdowne Place unless catching a bus, in which case you need to wait in your bus line. Duty teachers will be in the bus line area.

Contact

If you have any problems with your work or with getting along with someone else then you can see your Core teacher. If there are continued concerns the AST Pastoral Care can be contacted. Deloraine High School prides itself with open communication between parents, students and the school. The Deloraine High School Facebook page, School Stream App, and newsletter provide details of news and events.

Student Support

A major priority for Deloraine High is Student Support. This encompasses many things including learning support, assistance with developmental issues and behaviour management.

Our behaviour management processes here at school are based on the principles of Positive Behaviour Support. Input from parents, students and teachers was used to develop a set of expectations that form the basis for working with students.



We want students to be engaged, challenged and happy at school. The focus is on encouraging students and rewarding them when they meet these expectations.

Restorative Practice principles are used to resolve issues if they occur.

Fortnightly Newsletter

Deloraine High School provides a newsletter each fortnight in an electronic format.

The newsletter can be accessed by downloading the School Stream App from the App store or through our Website. A paper copy of the newsletter is available to those students who are unable to access it on line from the office.



Where will I keep my things?

Books and bags can be kept in Core teaching rooms. Students should not bring valuables to school unless they are needed for classes in which case they can be left at the main office.

Note for Parents/Carers

Any student with issues concerning their belongings is asked to talk to their Core teacher.

What happens if I catch a school bus?

If you are travelling home by bus, you should line up near our school hall at the end of the day and wait to be asked to move to your bus. This is to ensure the safety of all students. Any problems with the buses should first be discussed with the driver, as bus travel to and from school is not part of our school's responsibility. If it is a wet



day, you should assemble in your bus line in our hall at the end of the day. Unlike primary school, parents do not need to advise the school if a child is not catching a bus.

What about bullying?

We say "No" to bullying at Deloraine High. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure this happens. If you are bullied or see someone being bullied, please report it to your class teacher, duty teacher or Core teacher.

We have an anti-bullying strategy at our school to support students. Staff have been trained in its application.

Note for Parents/Carers

If your child comes home with information regarding a bullying incident or has experienced some form of bullying, please contact the relevant Core teacher.



School Uniform

Why do we have a Uniform?

Deloraine High School values the wearing of school uniform because it: Contributes to the regulation of student conduct.

Helps students focus on their learning.

Prepares students for adult life.

Eliminates competition between students concerning fashion.

Is cost effective and convenient.

Presents a good image for the school.

Easily identifies students from our school. This contributes to a safe environment.

Uniform

- * Dark blue polo top or button up blue shirt
- * Grey shorts
- * Grey trousers
- * Navy trousers
- * Navy jumper
- * School rugby jumper
- * School navy tie with logo (optional)
- * School soft shell jacket
- * Plain navy blue scarf
- * Navy shorts
- * Tartan skirt
- * School summer dress
- * Plain navy or black stockings
- * Navy Hat
- * Beanie









Points to note:

- i Items marked * can be ordered from the uniform shop through the school office. The Uniform shop is open during normal school office hours (8.00am-4.00pm).
- ii It is recommended when outside, students wear hats between September to April in line with our UV SunSmart Policy. Broad brimmed hats are recommended and are available to purchase from the school office.
- iii Items of uniform purchased from the school satisfy our requirements. If purchasing items from elsewhere, parents are advised to check with the school first to ensure items are acceptable.



- iv Students will need to be in correct uniform to participate in some events including excursions out of the school (unless particular clothing is required such as for outdoor activities), public events and assemblies. Students who are not able to participate in these events will be provided with an alternate program.
- v Special extra activities will be offered to students from time to time. To be eligible students must be satisfactorily completing class requirements, show appropriate behaviour and consistently be wearing correct uniform. Examples include extra music, Winter Sport and Work Experience.
- vi Parents/carers requiring assistance in purchasing clothing are invited to contact the school so that arrangements can be made.
- vii The following are **not** part of our uniform:
 - blue jeans/shorts
 - stonewash trousers/shorts

- different trousers to the school ones unless they are the same colour.
- items of clothing with extras eg, logos, stripes pinstripes and brand names. The items sold by the school define the standard expected.
- undergarments which are visible e.g. t-shirts, lace tops, long sleeved tops.
- hooded tops (or similar) are not allowed at school for a number of reasons including health and safety issues (including identification) and due to disruption to the teaching and learning program. The exception to this rule is the Year 10 Hoodies.
- black school shoes are preferred. Open toe shoes with no back or "ugg boots" (or similar) are unacceptable for health and safety reasons. Socks (white or black) or stockings need to be worn.
- fish net stockings are not acceptable.

Uniform Shop

School uniform requirements are available from the office during school office hours (8.00am-4.00pm). Parents/carers can order and pay for uniform using the Qkr App and students can collect from the school office during recess or lunch times.





Qkr is a safe, secure and easy way for parents to order and pay for school items such as uniform items. It gives you the flexibility to place orders at a time and place that suits you.



What if I have trouble with my learning?

Your teachers will be happy to help you when you have trouble understanding anything but you need to ask for assistance if this happens.

What do I do if I am absent?

It is important that you attend school every day. If you are absent for any reason, your parent or carer should phone our school to let us know. The School Stream App has an Absentee Form which you may use to inform the school of an absent student.

What if I'm late for school?

If you arrive at school after 8.50am, please go to our school office and sign in on our Kiosk which will issue you with a 'Late Form' which you will give to your teacher. If a student is absent and the absence has not been explained by the parent/carer, an SMS will be sent out at approximately 9.30-10.00am every day advising the parent/carer that their child is absent from school. Parents are expected to notify the school of their child's absence.

Note for Parents/Carers

Parents/Carers are expected to explain the lateness eg. note or phone call to the school.

What happens if I feel sick or get hurt?

If you feel sick or are injured while you are at school, after notifying your teacher, please go to our school office where you will be looked after by a first-aid officer. If you have to take medication while you are at school, please inform the office staff and they will provide you with forms for your doctor/ pharmacist/parent/carer to fill Staff are unable to issue any out. medication unless these forms have completed (including been paracetamol and anti-histamine).



Note for Parents/Carers

The office staff are able to access emergency numbers to contact parents/carers. Please ensure these are kept updated if there are any changes.

What if I lose something?

If you lose something, please see your Core teacher. It helps if you make sure everything you bring to school is clearly named. A lost property basket is located at the office.

Note for Parents/Carers

Students are responsible for their own valuables — there is no insurance coverage to replace items.

When is the Library open?

The Library will be open at some break times for quiet reading or study. Eating or drinking is not permitted in this area at any time.

Note for Parents/Carers

Students are encouraged to be active borrowers from the School Library. If students mislay their books, please let the school office know. Students will be issued with an account for lost books for which they are responsible.





What do I do if I need to leave our school grounds?

You are not allowed to leave our school grounds during any part of our school day unless you have a legitimate reason and a note signed by a parent/carer. If you do have to leave school for any reason you need to:

- 1. Show your note to your Core teacher. He/she will sign your note.
- 2. Show the signed note to your Class teacher.
- 3. Go to the office to sign out.
- 4. Collect a form from the main office when you arrive back at school, return to class and show the form to your class teacher.

Note for Parents/Carers

It is important that students have a note if they need to leave the school grounds for any reason. Students are unable to be picked up by anybody that is not listed as an emergency contact on their validation form unless authorisation has been received from the student's parent/carer.

Parents/Carers and Volunteers coming into the School

All visitors to the school must sign in at the main school office.

Phone/contact home

If your parent/carer needs to be contacted during school hours because you are ill, your teacher will contact the office who will ring for you.

Mobile phones have been banned in all Tasmanian Government Schools in a bid to reduce distraction in the classroom and encourage greater student interaction in the schoolyard. All students are required to have their phones "off and away all day". Smart watches are required to be on aeroplane mode. Students are not permitted to use their phones or smart watches to make payments at either the canteen or the office.

Note for Parents/Carers

Students who need to be contacted during school hours by parents/carers, can be reached through the school office. We do not use a public address system but messages are routinely delivered to students during the day.

What sports can I play?

There are many opportunities to be involved in sport throughout the year. They include netball, football, basketball, soccer, hockey, mountain bike riding, swimming, athletics and cross country.

Winter sport is played in the winter months and consists of combined Year 7/8 and 9/10 teams. Details will be available early in the year. Our focus on sport is on participation and having fun.



Note for Parents/Carers

If you have any questions regarding sport participation or are able to support the sport program, please contact one of our Health and Physical Education teachers.

What about lunchtime?

Our canteen provides you with an alternative to bringing your lunch from home every day and is open at recess and lunch time every day for both hot and cold food. We encourage healthy eating and our canteen aims to provide nutritious food and snacks in line with our Bronze Canteen Accreditation.

Everyone has two recesses and a lunch break of about 20 minutes. You may choose to bring a cut lunch to school or order your lunch from our school canteen before school, recess time or through the Qkr! App online.

Parents/carers are able to order and pay for lunch for their child using the Qkr App. Qkr is a safe, secure and easy way for parents to order and pay for school items such as food and drinks from our canteen. It gives you the flexibility to place orders at a time and place that suits you and you are able to make orders in advance.

Note for Parents/Carers

It is recommended that students order their lunch before school or during recess time to ensure availability.





Is there a Student Council?

The Student Executive Council is made up of elected Year 10 students.

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- participates in decisions about future plans for our school
- organises events for students in our school. These usually include socials, casual clothes days and lunchtime activities
- raises funds to buy things for our school and for charities
- allows students to bring forward ideas they have about improving our school
- has input into School developments
- assist in Canteen during recess and lunch

At the end of Year 9 you may wish to stand for election to our Student Executive Council.



Note for Parents/Carers

Students are encouraged to pursue leadership roles across a range of areas in the school.



What do I do if I need help?

If you have any problems at all, the first person you should see is your Core teacher. If you are experiencing a problem in class, always try to discuss it with your class teacher first. They will be more than pleased to help you. We also have specialised support people if they are needed. eg. Social Worker, Psychologist, School Nurse and Chaplain.

You can make an appointment directly with any of these people or you can ask a teacher or parent/carer to make an appointment for you. A member or members of your family may wish to speak with any of these people and we are more than pleased for them to do so.

Note for Parents/Carers

If you have a concern regarding your child's progress at school, please contact the relevant class teacher or Core teacher immediately.

School Psychologist, Social Worker, School Nurse and the School Chaplain can be contacted through the school office.

Will I get Reports?

We like to let you and your parents know how you are going with your studies. One of the ways we do this is to send reports home. You will get two reports each year. The first will be a mid-year report which will be available in July to be collected at the Three-way Conferences. A final summary report will be sent home shortly before the end of the year.



Parents can contact us at any time to find out how your child is progressing and we would encourage you to do so.

Parent/Carer 3 Way Conferences

Formal 3 Way Conferences are held in Term 2, weeks 9 and 10 and Term 3, weeks 9 and 10 involving students, parents/carers and subject teachers.

If parents/carers wish to see a teacher at any time, appointments can be made by contacting our school office.

Parent/Carer Involvement

We would like parents/carers to be involved in our school as much as possible. Some ways parents are involved in our school are outlined below.

School Association

Our School Association is made up of elected members from parents/carers, the Deloraine community, staff and students. Our Association meets every term. This is a great opportunity to keep abreast of information and be part of the decision making process at Deloraine High School.

Canteen Volunteer

We value this contribution – our canteen cannot operate without volunteer support. Please phone 6362 8900 to volunteer or for more information.

Sport

Opportunities exist in various sporting areas for parents/carers to contribute to coaching or organisation.

Excellent Facilities

- Quality Student Centre and toilets, used by students at break times and for regular classes
- Refurbished Library and modern Science block
- Trade Training Centre
- New Plexipave on basketball courts
- New Design Engineer Create (DEC) Facility – Advanced Manufacturing











Use of Technology and Personal Devices

Students and parents/carers are required to sign a Technology Agreement before students are able to use school technology in class as part of their learning. Some details are given below. These are subject to change as review and evaluation occur in the school.



Each student will be allocated a laptop and charger (both labelled with their name) and these will follow the student through until the end of Year 10.

A Laptop User Agreement will be included in our back-to-school package. This document is to be signed by both students and parent/carer annually.

The laptops will remain the property of Deloraine High School.

It will be the student's responsibility to take care of the laptops and if any intentional damage is done, then parents/carers will be asked to pay for the cost of repairs.

Students, with teacher permission, will be able to connect their devices to the school Wi-Fi. Teachers will determine when the use of technology is appropriate in their classroom.

If used inappropriately, students risk not being able to use their device.



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If students need to bring their phones to school, they may leave them at the main office of a morning and pick them up after school.

In the case of an emergency, parents may contact the school office who will communicate messages to students.

