

St Andrews
LUTHERAN COLLEGE



Welcome to

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We are delighted to welcome you to our vibrant and inclusive school community. We are committed to providing an exceptional education in a Christian context, where you are valued, supported, and encouraged to reach your full potential.

We will provide you with an excellent academic experience and also help you develop into a happy, confident, and healthy young adult. Our wonderful staff are passionate about providing a safe and nurturing environment where each student can thrive academically, emotionally, and socially.

We look forward to embarking on this exciting journey with you and your family.

We acknowledge and pay respect to the Kombumerri people and speakers of the Yugumbeh language. We respect their connection to this land on which we work, learn, and play.



How will you help me prepare for Year 7?

Moving from Junior to Secondary School is a big step and we aim to make everything as smooth and enjoyable as possible for you.

Year 7 Information Night

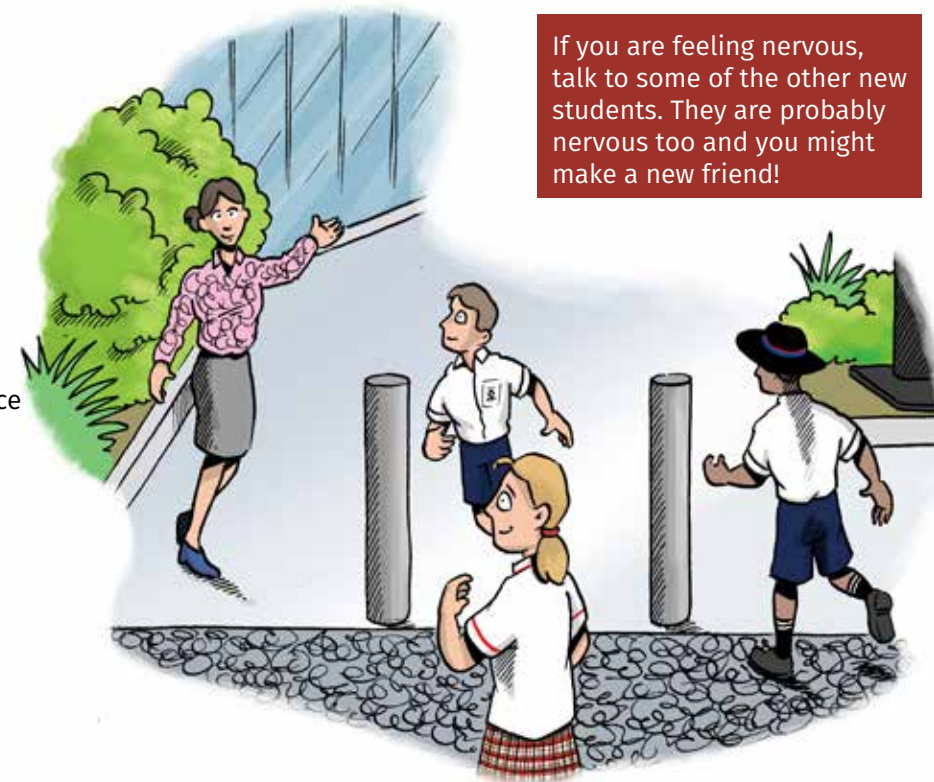
We will host an Information Night before you commence at the College, where you will receive information about subjects and technology requirements.

Transition Day

This is a brilliant opportunity for you to experience a day in the life of a Secondary School student. You will attend some classes, meet teachers and students, and get the chance to become familiar with the Secondary School. We hope by the end of this day you will feel like you belong, and any questions or queries would have been answered.

Top tip

If you are feeling nervous, talk to some of the other new students. They are probably nervous too and you might make a new friend!



What do I need for my first day of Secondary School at St Andrews?

Hat

Boys'/girls' hat with College crest

Blouse

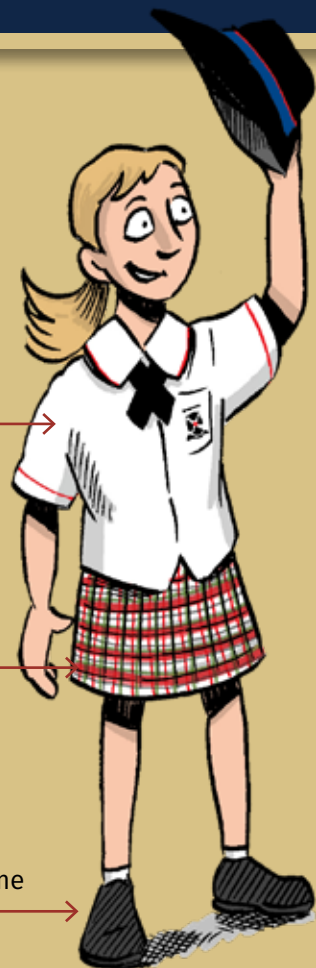
White overblouse with tartan trim and tie

Skirt/culottes

Knee-length College tartan; dress pants are an optional alternative

Socks

Ankle-length athletic socks with College name



We are proud of our College and our brilliant staff and students. Our students show how proud they are to be part of St Andrews by wearing the correct uniform. We have a few simple rules for uniform, and we expect you to follow them from your first day.

Jumper

Navy blue with the College crest (winter only)

Shirt

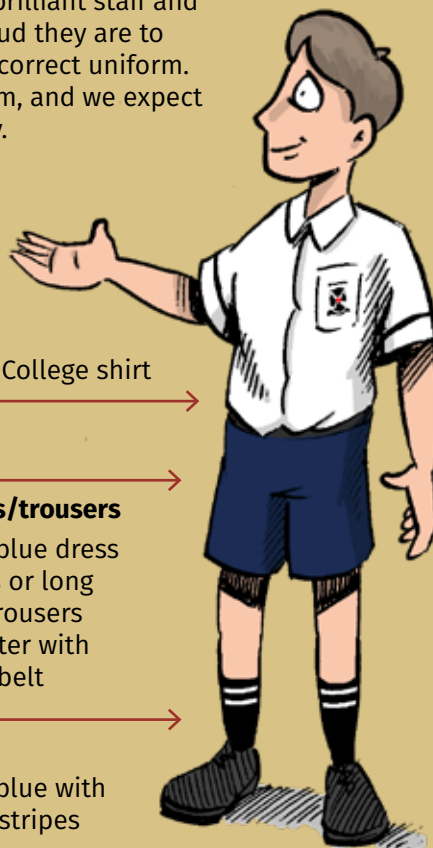
White College shirt

Shorts/trousers

Navy-blue dress shorts or long grey trousers in winter with black belt

Socks

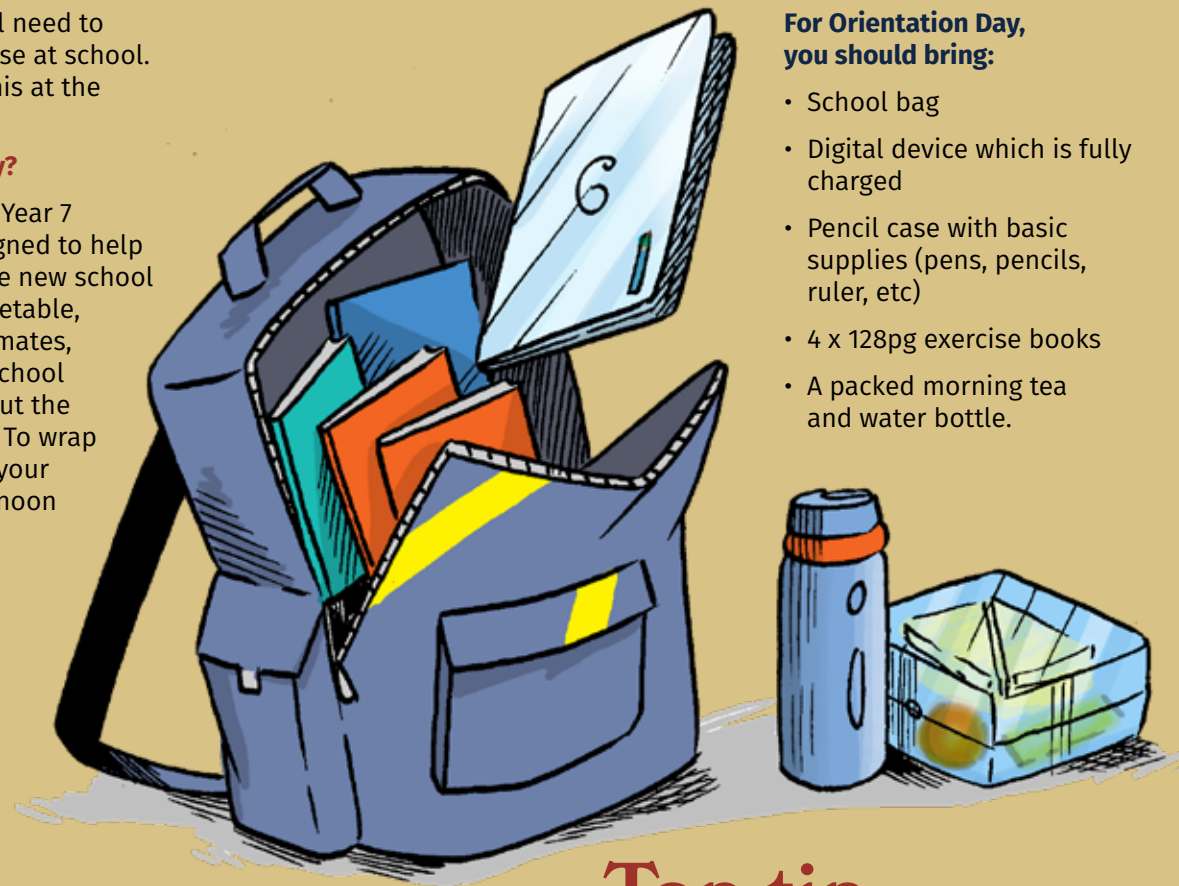
Navy-blue with white stripes



When you start Year 7, you will need to provide your own device for use at school. We will tell you more about this at the Information Night.

What happens on the first day?

The first day of school will be Year 7 Orientation Day which is designed to help you have a smooth start to the new school year. You will receive your timetable, meet your teachers and classmates, familiarise yourself with the school layout, and find out more about the exciting things that lie ahead. To wrap up Orientation Day, we invite your parents to join us for an afternoon tea and to meet the Connect teachers.



For Orientation Day, you should bring:

- School bag
- Digital device which is fully charged
- Pencil case with basic supplies (pens, pencils, ruler, etc)
- 4 x 128pg exercise books
- A packed morning tea and water bottle.

Top tip

It's a good idea to pack your school bag the night before so you don't forget anything.

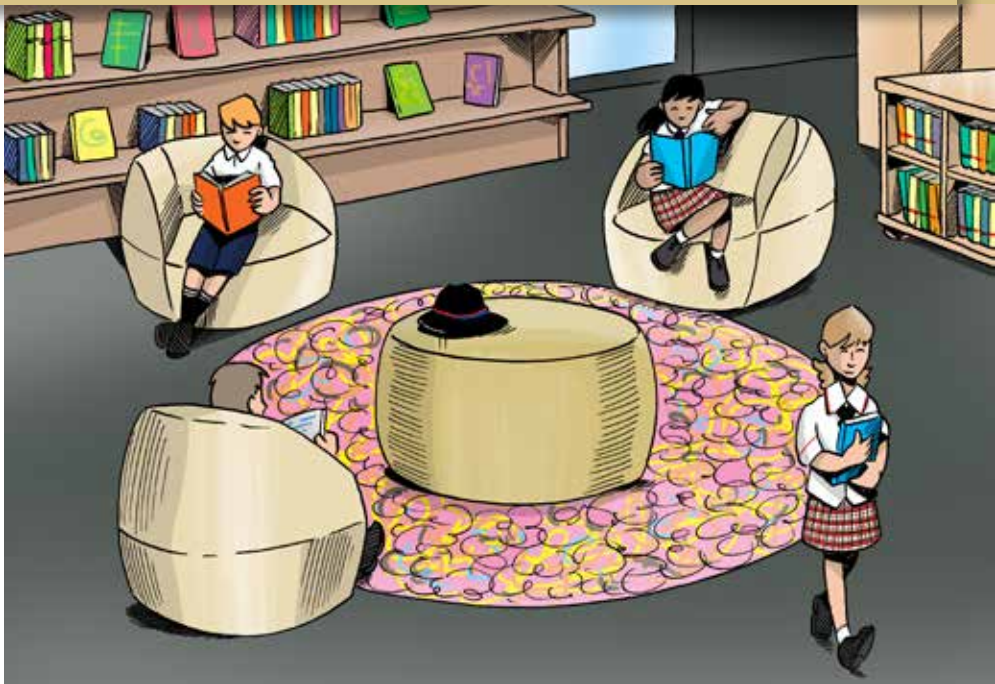
What happens in a school day?

You will be in different classrooms for lessons but will soon get used to finding your way around. We will give you a map and everyone will be happy to help you find your classroom. Every day there are 6 periods, morning tea, and lunch.

Connect Group	8:30am to 8:55am
Period 1	8:55am to 9:45am
Period 2	9:45am to 10:35am
Morning Tea	10:35am to 11:00am
Period 3	11:00am to 11:50am
Period 4	11:50am to 12:40pm
Lunch	12:40pm to 1:30pm
Period 5	1:30pm to 2:20pm
Period 6	2:20pm to 3:10pm

Top tip

Try the food from the Café – it's delicious!

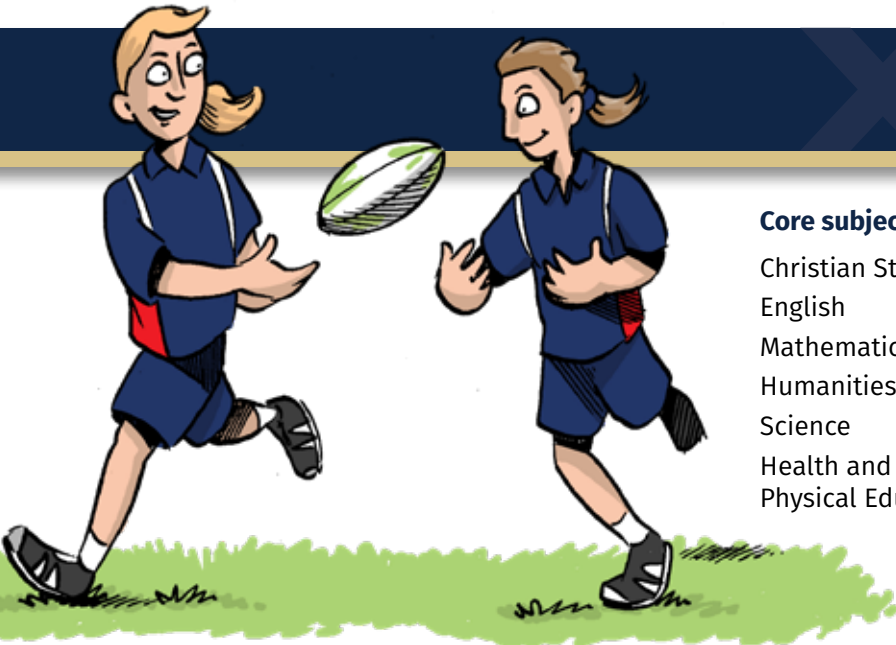


At lunchtime there are a variety of places to eat. The Café has many options available to you including vegan, vegetarian, dairy-free, and gluten-free options.

Before and after school, the Secondary Library and Fitness Gym are open for students in the Secondary School.

What will I study?

Year 7 is a discovery year and will include a wide range of subjects throughout the year. Some of these subjects are called Core subjects and you will study these subjects all year. You will also have the opportunity to experience a large number of more specialist subjects which will help you discover your passions and assist you in future subject decisions and your career after school.



- Core subjects**
- Christian Studies
 - English
 - Mathematics
 - Humanities
 - Science
 - Health and Physical Education

Rotation subjects

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| Engineering | Design Textiles |
| Hospitality | Digital Technologies |
| Workshop | Dance |
| Drama | Music |
| Visual Art | Media Arts (Film and TV) |
| German | Japanese |
| Business | Legal Studies |

What will be expected of me?

Come to school prepared. This means arriving on time with your school supplies and your device fully charged, ready to engage in learning. Each day, ensure you have completed any assigned homework and are mentally prepared for the day ahead.

Be organised. You will be assigned a locker with a padlock where you can store your books and personal belongings. Keeping your locker tidy and organised will help you find what you need quickly.

Respect. Respect is fundamental in our College community. This includes respecting yourself, your peers, teachers, staff, and school property. Treat others the way you want to be treated, and always communicate in a courteous and respectful manner.

Mobile phones. If you have a mobile phone, we recommend keeping it at home. If you do need to bring it, you may use it responsibly before 8am and after the school day ends. At all other times, please keep your phone locked in your locker.

Recognising your success

Recognising your efforts and achievements is very important to us. We have awards for academic achievement, effort, citizenship, cultural, and sport achievement.



What if I need help?

Transitioning to Secondary School can be both exciting and challenging. It's normal to feel a range of emotions, from excitement to nervousness. Remember, you are not alone in this journey. If you ever find yourself needing help or support, there are several people who are here to assist you.

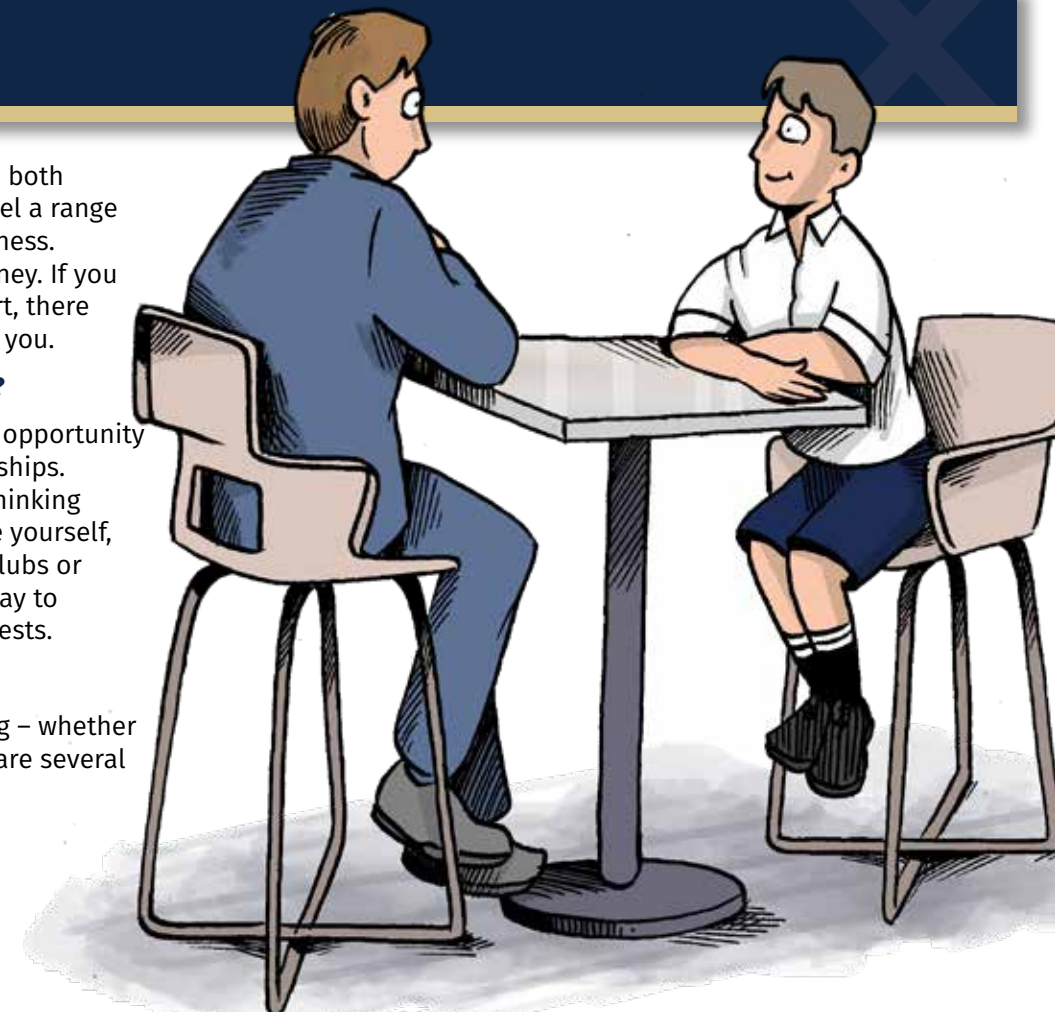
What if I don't know anyone when I start?

Making new friends in a new school is an opportunity to meet new people and form new friendships. Remember that many of your peers are thinking the same way. Don't hesitate to introduce yourself, participate in school activities, and join clubs or groups that interest you. This is a great way to connect with others who share your interests.

Who can help?

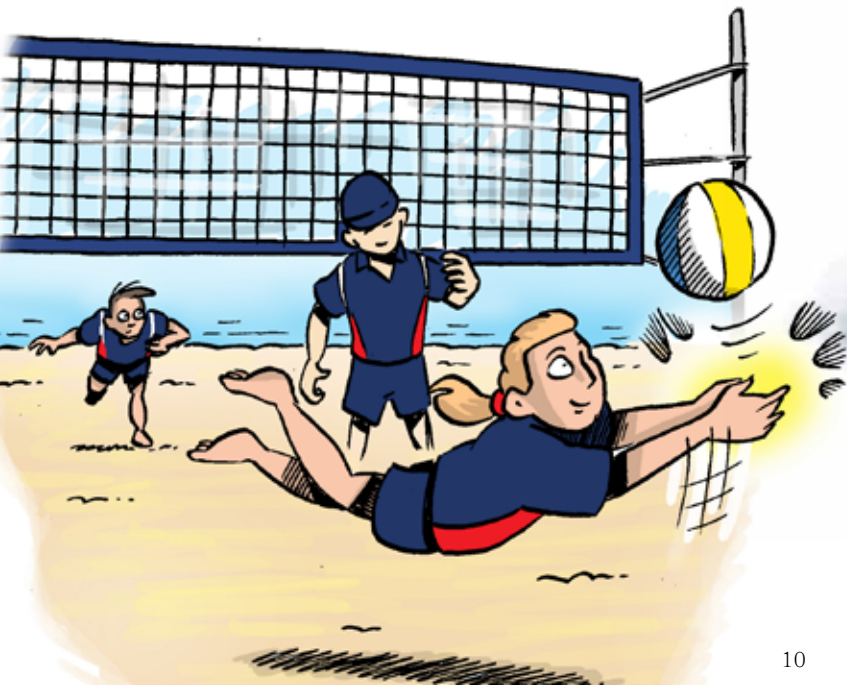
If you find yourself concerned by anything – whether it's academic, personal, or social – there are several support people available to you:

- Connect Teachers
- Subject Teachers
- Year Level Coordinator
- Head of Middle Years – Pastoral
- College Counsellor
- Chaplain.



What else will I do at St Andrews Secondary School?

We believe education extends far beyond the classroom walls, which is why we are proud to offer a wide range of co-curricular opportunities in sport and the arts, and various clubs, activities, and service opportunities. We encourage you to explore your passions and develop new skills.



Sport

There are many different sports you can try, so you can join in, compete, and excel at the sports you love. You can play for our school against other schools, practice with our coaches, or just have fun playing sports with your friends. It's a great way to stay fit, learn to bounce back from challenges, and make being active a part of your life forever.

The Arts

Our arts program is designed to help you explore your creativity outside of your classroom. You can learn an instrument, join a choir, band or ensemble, audition for a dance troupe, have speech and drama lessons, or even audition to perform in a play or musical. You'll have opportunities to showcase your talents in performances, exhibitions, and workshops, gaining confidence and honing your artistic abilities.

Clubs and Activities

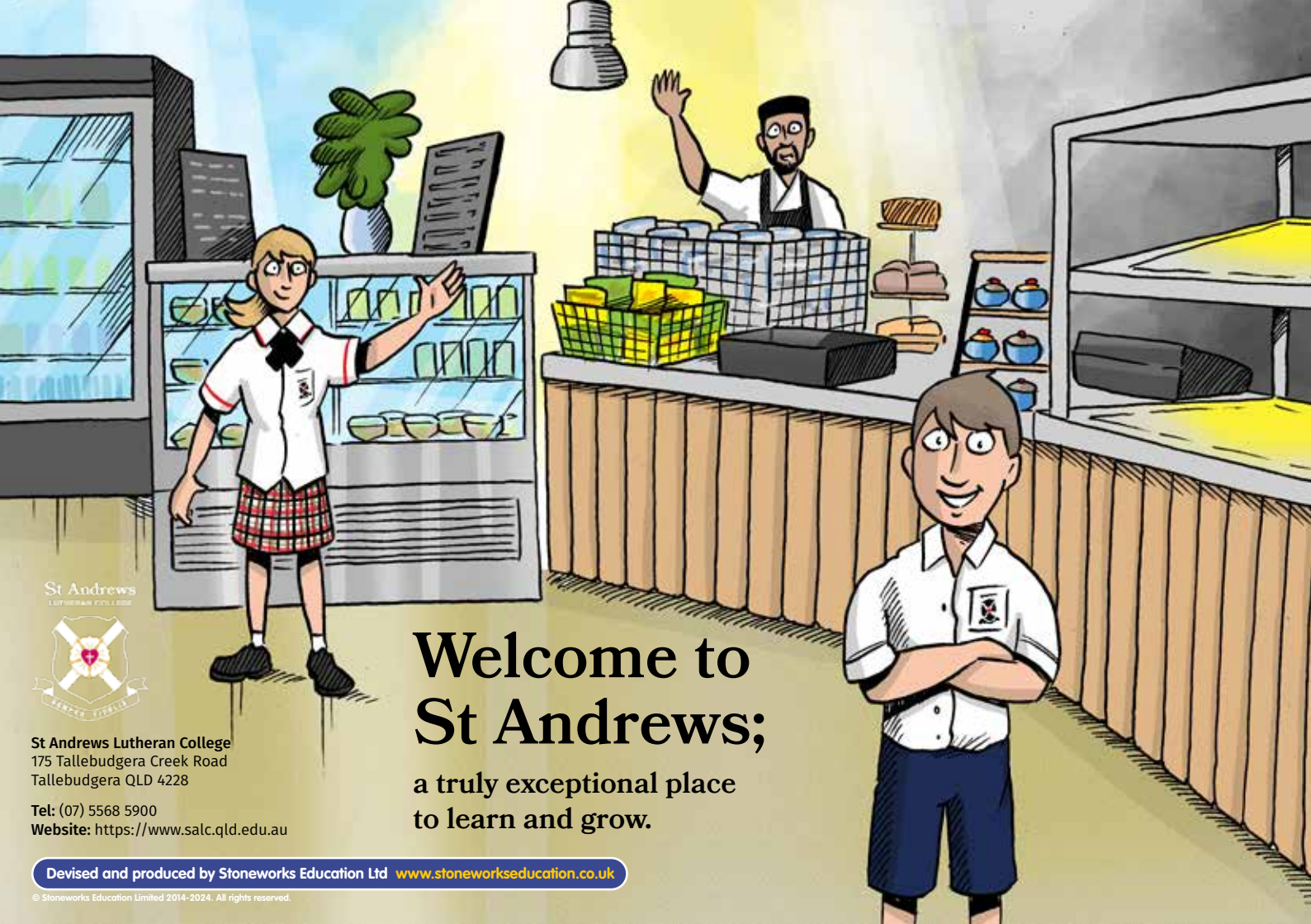
Our wide range of clubs and activities offers something for everyone. Some examples are Chess, Debating, Entrepreneurship, Minecraft Club, Anime Club, and many more. Joining a club is a great way to find a community, grow personally, and discover new interests and strengths. It's also a chance to make lifelong friends, create meaningful memories, and explore your passions.



Camp

In Year 7, you'll embark on an exciting adventure! You'll all go on a 3-day camp. This is a chance to make more friends and work together with your classmates. You'll learn important skills that will help you a lot during your time at school.





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