

# Year 7 2026 Parent Information





# **Principal Welcome**

Dear Parents, caregivers and students,

Welcome to Belmont High School, a vibrant co-educational secondary school in the southern suburbs of Lake Macquarie. Established in 1953, we proudly serve the Belmont, Belmont North, Floraville, and Jewells communities. As an integral member of the Wakul Karabang Learning Community and Minimbah AECG, we are dedicated to fostering strong partnerships that enhance student success. In 2025, we welcomed 689 students, including 97 Aboriginal students and seven Inclusive Education classes.

We are a school of excellence across academics, sports, and the creative and performing arts. Our enrichment stream for Years 7–12 provides high-achieving students with opportunities for extension, alongside a selective high-potential academic class in Year 7. Our students consistently achieve outstanding Higher School Certificate results, with ATARs in the top 10% of the state. Additionally, we support students in securing School-based Apprenticeships and Traineeships, ensuring strong transitions into industry and tertiary education pathways.

At Belmont High School, we prioritise student wellbeing, guided by our core values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. Through our Positive Behaviour for Learning Framework and Real Schools Restorative Practice, we cultivate a supportive environment where students have a voice in shaping school culture. Our dedicated Learning Support Faculty engages in ongoing professional development to ensure every student receives the support they need to thrive.

In sports, we excel in diving and trampolining, with internationally qualified judges on staff. Our students regularly represent NSW in various sporting disciplines. Our Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Program is renowned for nurturing high-potential and gifted students, providing exemplary opportunities in concert band, stage band, choral ensembles, and more. The success of our CAPA Program is evident in exceptional HSC results and invitations to showcase events like ENCORE and ARTEXPRESS.

Our school has undergone significant transformation, with a \$30 million upgrade completed in 2019 delivering state-of-the-art student and staff facilities, special education spaces, hospitality and technology learning areas, and modern administration offices. Looking ahead, we are excited for our 2025 upgrade, which will introduce a new COLA (Covered Outdoor Learning Area) and a purpose-built Library and Wellbeing Centre and ongoing technology upgrades.

I warmly welcome all students and families to our Belmont High School community and look forward to building a strong, positive and supportive partnership.

Together, we embrace our school motto: Quantum Potero – I will achieve my potential.

Michelle Sloan Acting Principal Belmont High School

### **KEY CONTACTS FOR YEAR 7**

ACTING PRINCIPAL		Ms Michelle Sloan
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL	YEAR 7 2026	Mrs Michele Spinks
YEAR ADVISOR	YEAR 7 2026	Ms Elisha Ankeney
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL	INCLUSION AND SUPPORT	Mrs Naomi Durie
HEAD TEACHER	LEARNING AND WELLBEING	Mrs Karen Newman

## WELFARE AND ADMINISTRATION

- Isabella Young Student Support Officer (SSO)
- Catherine Sandall Community Liaison Officer (CLO)
- Leanne Cox Enrolments
- Corrine Stewart Attendance

# **General School Information**

Street Address:	424 Pacific Highway, Belmont 2280	
Postal Address:	PO Box 2345, Gateshead 2290	
Telephone:	4945 0600	
E-mail:	belmont-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au	
Web Address:	https://belmont-h.schools.nsw.gov.au	
Parents and Citizens Association:	Meets on the third Wednesday of each Month at 5.30pm in the School Office or via zoom	



In 2026 courses on offer are as follows:

#### Year 7

Students study the core subjects English, Mathematics, Science, PD/H/PE, Australian Geography, Music, Visual Arts and Technology (Mandatory).

#### Year 8

Students study the core subjects English, Mathematics, Science, Australian History, Japanese, PD/H/PE, Technology (Mandatory). Two Year 8 Semester Electives are offered across various faculty areas in the school. Year 8 Semester Electives are offered for students as a 'taster' for Year 9 Electives.

#### Years 9 and 10

The core subjects English, Mathematics, Science, History, Geography and PD/H/PE continue as in Year 8. In addition, students study two electives in Year 9 and two electives in Year 10. Examples of available subjects are listed below.

Electives Years 9 and 10 (examples)		
Aboriginal Studies	Japanese	
Child Studies	Music	
Commerce	Physical Activity and Sport Studies (PASS)	
Dance	Psychology	
Drama	Outdoor Education	
Food Technology	Textiles Technology	
Graphics Technology	Visual Arts	
Industrial Technology – Electronics	Visual Design	
Industrial Technology – Timber	Work Education	
iStem		
International Studies		

#### Years 11 and 12

Students choose all their subjects from a wide range of courses covering academic and vocational courses taught at the school and various TAFE Colleges. English is mandatory in Years 11 and 12, but students can select the level of English to study.

Courses Offered				
Aboriginal Studies	Industrial Technology	Society and Culture		
Ancient History	Investigating Science	Textiles and Design		
Biology	Legal Studies	Visual Arts		
Business Studies	Mathematics	VET Hospitality		
Chemistry	Mathematics Standard	VET Construction		
Community & Family Studies	Modern History	VET Retail Operations		
Dance	Music 1	English Extension		
Drama	Numeracy	Mathematics Extension		
Engineering Studies	PD/H/PE	Japanese Continuers		
Geography	Physics			
Content Endorsed Course				
Exploring Early Childhood	Photography, Video and	Sport, Lifestyle and		
	Digital Media	Recreation		
Work Studies	Visual Design			

#### YEAR 7 2026 ENROLMENT PROCESS

#### **Enrolment Process:**

- 1. Complete an Expression of Interest form online or alternatively complete the form provided by your local primary school and return it to your primary school.
- 2. Belmont High School will inform parents and ask them to complete an application to enrol online. Parents will need to include three documents proving residence, copy of Birth Certificate and immunisation.

**Out of zone enrolments** are processed in three rounds – "Yes," "No" or "Waiting List". Determination made based on criteria. Belmont High School may request other supporting documentation.

1. Enrolment acceptance letters are issued once placement is confirmed.

#### **Class Placement:**

- 1. Academically Selective Class This class seeks to engage and challenge students identified as high potential or academically gifted and extend their learning opportunities. To be eligible for selection for this class, students are required to have recommendation from their primary school, write a letter seeking admission and provide their NAPLAN results.
- 2. **CAPA Enrichment Class** Students who are accepted into this program are identified as being talented and/or gifted in the creative and/or performing arts. To be eligible for selection in this class, students complete an audition and/or present a portfolio of work.
- 3. Literacy and Numeracy Class –This class is focused on supporting students to enhance their literacy and numeracy skills. The class (7L) is targeted for specialised literacy and numeracy support and is only offered to students who have demonstrated positive behaviour and attendance in Year 6. Students are nominated from their primary school for this class. It is designed to boost literacy and numeracy proficiency to help students achieve learning outcomes at a stage appropriate level. The class operates with a home room and a maximum of twenty students.
- 4. **Mixed ability classes** All other students are placed in mixed ability classes based on student Transition Profiles and other information provided by their primary school teachers where work is delivered to both extend and support students at a variety of academic levels.

Please see the attached sheet for key dates for the Year 7 2026 Enrolment Process and contact the school on 4945 0600 if you have any questions.



TERM 2 - 2025	
Monday May 5	Year 7 2026 Parent Information Evening EOI's for CAPA and Academic
Tuesday May 6	Send booklet and EOI QR code to schools for parents who did not attend
Monday May 12	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 1
Friday May 16	EOI's close
Monday 19 May	Send applications to Parents CAPA and Academic
Friday 30 May	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 1 offers/declines finalised and parents notified
Monday 2 June	1 <sup>st</sup> Local Student information requests sent to parents Capa And Academic applications close
Tuesday 10 June	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 2
Tuesday 24 June	CAPA Enrichment Class Workshop at Belmont High School
Friday 27 June	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 2 offers/declines finalised and parents notified
Friday 27 June	Students notified of Academic Selective Class placement outcomes
Friday July 4	Students notified CAPA Enrichment Class placement outcomes.
TERM 3 - 2025	
Monday 28 July	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 3
Friday 8 August	Non-Local Enrolments: Round 3 offers/declines finalised and parents notified
Monday 25 August	First Orientation Day for partner school students
Weeks 3-10 (every Tuesday)	Special Education Transition Program – 9:10am-10.10am
Friday 5 September	Enrolment Confirmation. All enrolment confirmations sent to parents
TERM 4 - 2024	
Weeks 1-5 (every Tuesday)	Special Education Transition Program – 9am-11.00am
Weeks 6-8 (every Tuesday)	Special Education Transition Program – 9am-12.00pm
Thursday 20 November	Non-Local Student Transition Day
Monday 1 December	Parent Information Evening
Tuesday 2 December	Final Orientation Day – Belmont High School - Aboriginal Student Transition Day 'Yarn Up'

# **Non-Local Enrolment Applications**

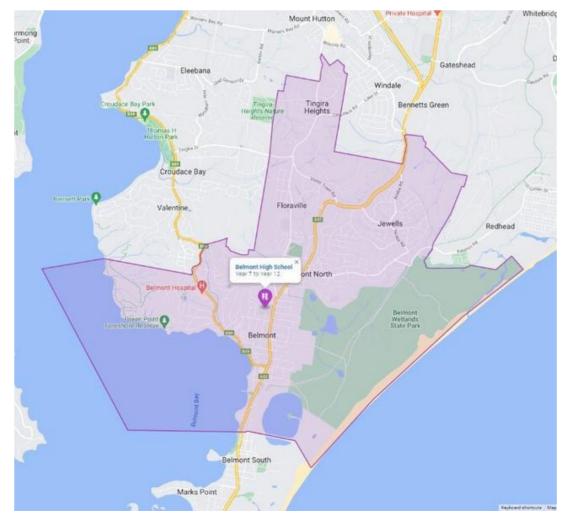
# Introduction

This application is required for students seeking enrolment at Belmont High School who reside outside the designated boundaries and areas. Local enrolments are defined as students who live permanently with their parents, guardians, or primary caregivers within our local area, regardless of the primary school they attend.

Students wishing to apply for non-local enrolment must submit their application through their primary school.

# Boundaries

- To the Northwest Tingira Heights all streets, (including Sanctuary Grove) off Violet Town Road, from Burton Road to Krempins Nursery (including the McElwee Drive subdivision); Croudace Road to the end of the houses.
- To the WestCroudace Bay Road and all subdivisions adjacent to the<br/>hospital from Spinnaker Ridge Way through to Green Point.
- To the South Cold Tea Creek
- To North/Northeast Crokers Creek to Pacific Highway and Fencott Drive/ Dirkala Close



Belmont High School Year 7 2026 Academic Expression of Interest



Belmont High School Year 7 2026 CAPA Expression of Interest

