

Survival Tips from current Padua students to our new Year 7 students:

Don't stress about the combination lock. You do work it out.

Coming to Padua has been really great fun!

Make heaps of new friends. Don't just stick with your old ones.

If you don't know something ask your Home-room teacher or your House Co-ordinator.

I LOVE my iPad!

The canteen has lots of yummy food.

Use your Student Organiser.

Try a musical instrument, or get involved in things like the swimming team or cross-country or the band.

You might get lost but there is always someone to help you.

Don't be scared of the older students. They don't even look at you!

Catching the bus is good fun and you get out early for the first couple of weeks to be first on your bus.

"I was sitting in the car waiting for my daughter to come out of the Allwell testing and I was thinking of how confident and ready she was this morning for Padua. Her mamma isn't ready..."

"Going to Padua is so not about the kids...its' about us parents...especially us mums!"

"I looked at my baby all ready for Padua and am wondering how he will survive...Then I thought, probably better than me!"

"First term was intense but no problems. You just have to do it and get a score on the board..."

"My child is so happy to go to school...thank you"

Parent Group Enquiries Welcome!

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PADUA COLLEGE PARENT GROUP

Survival Guide for Parents Year 7 2016



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Welcome to Padua College!

As members of the Padua College Parent Group we want to make sure you feel welcome and help you make this transition to Padua College as smooth and stress-free as possible.

As parents we must be prepared for the changes coming our way and we hope our helpful hints can make that process easier.

We look forward to your involvement in the College and please remember...

Parents are always very welcome at Padua College.

Encourage your child to remember the 3 B's:

Be nice to everyone you meet

Coming to Padua is about you being a part of the student group. Teachers want to get to know you and being nice to everyone you meet makes that a whole lot easier.

Be organised because you have lots of teachers and lots of subjects and Padua is a big place.

Be willing to try new things

Padua has so many in school and out of school opportunities waiting for you. Have a go and try something new.

Survival Tips From a Parent...

Learning to use the combination lock has possibly caused more stress in our house than any other item of transition. No child has had to leave the College due to not being able to operate a combination lock!

As parents, we like to buy the largest size of clothes possible to get the most wear, but... check the arm length of the blazer, and if you can't see your child's hands then they might find it hard to write! If necessary, get the arm length taken up and then there is less cleaning required. Of course, remember to put a name on everything.

The iPad is about to become your child's BFF. Not necessarily as a study tool! Put firm rules in place for the sake of your sanity.

Start early with covering books and labelling. There is quite a bit to do and if you and your child are organised, things will feel and go a whole lot better.

I don't know why but the school bag is very heavy. Be aware and see what you can do to alleviate this. Students don't need all their books and stationery on their first day!

And of course, if in doubt...ask someone.

Good Luck!

