In 2015, Queensland Year 7 students move into secondary schools for the first time. John Paul College has included Year 7 within High School for more than 20 years. Throughout this time, we have created specific programmes that meet the developmental needs of young people. Our Middle School is all about shaping the person that is yet to be and helping them to create their own personal future.

Transitioning in Year 7
Students in Year 7 are in a transitional stage of their development and require a blend of approaches to successfully harness their energy and potential. When students enter Middle School, the focus is on developing relationships and organisational skills to prepare all students for the challenges of learning.

Our tailored curriculum ensures a seamless transition between Primary and Secondary Schools and builds the essential skills of problem solving, collaboration, analytical thinking and creativity. Students have the opportunity to grow in a safe and welcoming environment whilst learning the routines of secondary school and having endless opportunities to explore and participate.

Building Connections
Years 7 – 9 are an exciting time when young people experience significant emotional and physical growth. Academic progress during these teenage years is enhanced by students feeling emotionally and socially connected. Learning within our Middle School Precinct ensures that they develop their sense of self and confidence in their relationships.

Network of Support
Our teachers work closely with all students to ensure that they are provided with numerous opportunities to reach their individual potential. Their network of support includes the Head of Middle School, Head of Year, Head of Teaching and Learning, Heads of Learning, Head of Careers and Pathways, Subject Area Teachers, Counsellor and our Chaplain. Each student is carefully supported by their Pastoral Care Teacher who oversees the students’ holistic growth.

Middle School Precinct
In 2015 our Middle School Precinct will feature a state of the art refurbished learning environment with modern air-conditioned classrooms and interactive technologies, allowing for flexible and collaborative learning.

Leadership Opportunities
As part of the Middle School philosophy, students are offered many opportunities to take responsibility, get involved and be part of the student voice. The Middle School Student Council, student committees and class leaders all work together to help serve the school and broader communities.

Bus Routes
A network of bus services provides transport to the College from throughout the southern suburbs.

Want to Know More?
Our Year 7 Programme provides the ideal transition between primary and secondary education by extending students in this middle phase, equipping them with the skills to become independent learners and successful citizens who are globally minded and culturally aware.

To help you make an informed decision about Year 7 in 2015, come to our Middle School Information evening on Wednesday 20 August, commencing 6.30 pm.

For further information and to register, visit www.johnpaulcollege.com.au.