An Outstanding EDUCATION
International Student Program
Welcome

From the Principal

Sandringham College offers International Students an educational experience that is second to none. In a caring, safe environment, students from all over the world live and study alongside Australian students. Our Language Centre caters exclusively to the needs of new arrivals with an English Language program maintained for the duration of the student’s stay. In addition to their academic studies, students also have the opportunity to take part in the full life of the college. This includes drama performances, sporting events, outdoor field trips and camps.

Students are also assisted with homestay accommodation, career advice and practical help with any problems that might arise while they are at the College.

We extend a warm welcome to overseas students who choose to study with us and wish them well in their every endeavour at the school.

Allen McAuliffe
College Principal

The Bayside heart of Melbourne

Located approximately 12 kilometres from the central business district of Melbourne, Sandringham is one of Melbourne’s most desirable suburbs.

Melbourne is Australia’s second largest city. With more than a quarter of the population having been born overseas, Melbourne has over 100 different nationalities represented amongst its population of almost four million, making it the most multicultural city in Australia. This mix of nationalities offers students the chance to experience diverse and vibrant cultural experiences. The climate is moderate, with crisp winters, cool springs, long hot summers and even longer, balmy autumns. Sandringham is ideally situated on Port Phillip Bay. Major shopping complexes, entertainment and world class sporting facilities are close by, while the school precinct itself is located in a quiet residential area. The suburb of Sandringham offers a safe, healthy, bayside lifestyle. Host families are carefully selected by the Homestay Coordinator who works to match students to suitable families.

Our college offers International Students the opportunity to study a wide range of subjects in a friendly, supported environment.

Students at Sandringham College thrive in a positive environment of collective pride and achievement.

Educating tomorrow’s global citizens
**International Program Features**

Some features of the International Student Program at Sandringham College include:

- An International Student Program Director who oversees each student’s learning program and their transition into the community and onto further study.
- Multi-cultural aides who assist the students to fully understand the work taught in classes and assist in community matters.
- Extensive communication between student families and overseas agencies.
- On Site Language Centre
- Airport reception
- Interpreter service
- Medical Information
- Orientation Program and Information
- An extensive camps and excursion program
- A sports program
- Tennis Courts
- Basketball Courts
- Soccer Fields
- A Language Lounge where students can study, cook meals, relax and seek staff assistance
- An extensive onsite library and computer network
- Homework and coaching study after school
- Careers advice and assisted transition to university.

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**Great Students - a snapshot...**

**Callum McCOMBE**

At Sandringham College 2008 - 2013

The integrity that Callum displayed throughout his time at the College is to be admired. He was always willing to share his knowledge with his peers and to help others with their understanding of tasks. His passion for Science and his determination to do his best produced the excellent ATAR score of 99.3.

In 2013 Callum studied:
Chemistry, Literature, Maths Methods, Physics, Specialist Maths, Psychology (2012)

In 2014 Callum will be studying Science/Engineering at Melbourne University.

**Charlotte BRASH**

At Sandringham College 2012 - 2013

Charlotte’s achievement of excellence this year has both been academically in the classroom and on the stage as a drummer in a band and an actor. Her love of the Performing Arts and dedication to her studies ensured excellent results in all of her subjects in 2013 and her future looks bright.

In 2013 Charlotte studied:

In 2014 Charlotte will study Fine Arts at Melbourne University.

**Allira KEYT**

At Sandringham College 2012 - 2013

Allira’s talents in Science were demonstrated through her study of University Enhancement Chemistry. The independence that Allira was able to exhibit through her University study of Chemistry has provided her with a wonderful opportunity to experience what lies ahead for her at University.

In 2013 Allira studied:
Accounting, Chemistry, University Chemistry, English, Maths Methods, Further Maths (2012)

In 2014 Allira will study Pharmacy at Melbourne University.

**Josh JACKSON**

At Sandringham College 2012 - 2013

With plans to return to the United Kingdom to attend University, Josh is grateful for the excellent education that he received at Sandringham College. His respect for the opportunity to study the subjects of his choice, in addition to making fine friends, has meant that his time in Australia was a wonderful experience.

In 2013 Josh studied:
Global Politics (50), History, Legal Studies, Literature, Maths Methods, Business Management (2012)

Josh will return to the United Kingdom to study Law.
Homestay

Homestay accommodation is provided by caring families who are willing to offer an International student a safe and comfortable home during their time in Australia. Our high quality group of homestay families is varied with some families having children of their own and some being single adults. Several families have pets, mostly dogs or cats and some families have extended family living in the same home. All our families live within close proximity to the College which ensures the International students have minimal travelling time to/from school. Our homes are also located close to shopping venues and public transport which aids the students in their independence.

Each student is matched with a compatible family who will provide a bedroom for their sole use, use of household utilities and three meals per day. The students are encouraged to feel at home in their homestay homes and spend time getting to know their new family. Students are expected to spend time socialising with the host family as the homestay experience is a positive way for students to improve their English, learn more about Australian culture and to make the most of their experience.

The host families are briefed extensively before the student arrives, provided with information about the student’s background and are prepared to assist them with settling into the home and integrating into the community. The families understand that all International students will take time settling into the home and they will need to adjust to the Australian lifestyle, food, culture and language.

Sandringham College Language Centre

International Students who attend Sandringham College have the option of spending their first twenty weeks (pre VCE) at the College in the Language Centre. The Language Centre is housed in of the classrooms at the college. Here students receive English Language instruction by a fully qualified teacher, while also studying two other VCE classes for practise.

At this time they usually join a VCE English class, but continue to receive tuition in the language centre for as long as they need.

The English Language program includes students from Asia, Europe and South America. Every effort has been made to keep pace with the latest educational techniques for second language learners; the centre is equipped with its own information technology area utilising self paced interactive language learning programs.

Half, full day and overnight excursions to galleries, events and places of historical interest are all included in the curriculum offered by the Language Centre in order to provide a diverse range of cultural and social experiences.

VCE Results 2013

The Senior Campus students have once again achieved excellent VCE results in 2013. The College prides itself on not only catering to the needs of a very wide range of students, but to providing academic excellence and a broad range of pathways beyond secondary education.

- Top ATAR score was 99.3 – Callum McCombe
- Premier’ Awards for perfect scores in their subjects: Josh Jackson (Global Politics), Sam Cleavelea (VET Music), Devon Campbell (VET/VCE Dance)|photos in file|
- More than 98% of 2013 students successfully completed their VCE
- Over 90% of our VCE graduates who applied for tertiary placements successfully obtained entry to University of TAFE courses.
Great Leadership

Our College Principal Allen McAuliffe, is proud to lead an outstanding Principal Class Leadership team across the College. The College Principal, Campus Principal and Assistant Principal are all actively involved in the daily International students program. They work hands on with the international team, staff, students, parents and Homestays, to ensure a deep understanding of the International Program. Under their guidance the College continues to implement its Master Plan Building program to offer even better facilities. The Master Plan is closely linked to renewed and updated teaching and learning practice.

Denise Cornish leads the International Program. Denise is an experienced school leader and teacher of English and Sociology. She has worked with the International Team at the college for 6 years, encouraging the enrolment of culturally diverse mix of international students across all year levels 7-12. Denise has a strong passion for education and the sharing of experience and knowledge through the International Program at Sandringham College.

Kerry Haley is our Homestay Coordinator. Kerry liaises with the Sandringham Community to provide quality homestays for our International Students. Kerry is a very well respected member of our community who ensures students have the best possible experience whilst in Australia, by selecting our homestay families and coordinating the best homes for our students.

Lilu Crain is a Multicultural Aide. Lilu is a highly experienced member of the International Team. She has worked with the college for over 12 years. She assists students in all aspects of their studentship, orientation to campus life, assisting within the classroom, communicating with families in home countries.

Setsu James is a Multicultural Aide. Setsu has worked with the International Program for over 10 years. She assists students in all aspects of their studentship, orientation to campus life, assisting within the classroom, communicating with families in home countries.

VCE Subjects offered at Sandringham College

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