



**SANDRINGHAM
COLLEGE**



**INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT PROGRAM**



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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 school camps.

Students are also assisted with homestay accommodation, careers 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.

OUR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM FEATURES:

- An onsite Language Centre
- Dedicated onsite Homestay Coordinator
- An International Student Program Director who oversees each individual student's learning program and their transition into the community and onto further study
- Multi-cultural aides who assist students to fully understand the work taught in classes and who assist in community matters
- Extensive communication between student families and overseas agencies
- Airport reception
- Interpreter service
- Medical Information
- A comprehensive orientation program
- An extensive camps and excursions program
- Extension programs to cater for the needs of talented students
- Specialist academies in Sports and Dance
- One of the widest varieties of subject offerings in the state
- Great sporting facilities including - Tennis Courts, Basketball Courts & Soccer Fields
- Areas 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.





TEACHING AND LEARNING

As a school we value each student and we nurture and support them to achieve their own individual success. We offer one of the broadest ranges of subjects in the state covering all areas of the Victorian 7-12 Curriculum. We also provide specialist programs for gifted students in the areas of Sport and Dance.

Sandringham College's strong focus on STEAM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) is supported by newly built, state of the art, STEAM teaching and learning spaces.

SUBJECTS OFFERED AT SANDRINGHAM COLLEGE INCLUDE:

The Arts – Art, Dance, Drama, Media, Music Performance, Music Styles, Photography, Studio Arts, Theatre Studies, Visual Communication Design

Commerce/Humanities – Accounting, Business Management, Economics, History, Legal Studies, Philosophy, Politics, Sociology

English – English, English Language, English Literature, English as an Additional Language

Languages – Chinese (first and second language), French

Mathematics – General (Methods), Specialist, Further

Science – General Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Psychology

Technology – Digital Communication, Computing, Food Studies, Product Design Technology

Health and Physical Education - Health & Human Development, Outdoor & Environmental Studies, Physical Education

Vocational Education and Training (VET) – A wide variety of additional subjects are offered through VET on a Wednesday afternoon.

Each year our students receive excellent University entry (ATAR) scores.

- Consistently ranked high in state wide academic VCE results
- Over 90% receive their preferred tertiary placement
- Consistently awarded VCE Premiers Awards for top students
- Well above the state and regional average in 75% of all VCE subjects



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

We know that a well-rounded education doesn't just happen in the classroom. Our students have many ways to expand their horizons. Students can enjoy the following co-curricular activities at Sandringham College:

Debating teams and competitions, Chess Club, Leadership program, Ski Camp, Dance Productions, Year level camps, Surf Competitions, College music bands and music lessons, Choirs, Cross Country running, Dance Academy, College Musical Production, Tennis, Canoeing, World Challenge, Badminton, Interstate Performing Arts Tours, Basketball, Public Speaking Competitions, Great Victorian Bike Ride, Writer's Festival, Swimming, Graduation Art Exhibition, Athletics, Interschool Sports, Robotics Science Extension, Soccer Challenge, French study tour, The Victorian Model Solar Car Challenge and more.



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 by our own Homestay Coordinator 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.

Host families are briefed extensively before the student arrives, provided with information about the student's background and are prepared to assist the student 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 adjusting 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 at the College in the onsite Language Centre. The Language Centre is housed in classrooms at the college and students become familiar with the functioning of the Australian classroom. Here students receive Intensive English Language instruction by fully qualified teachers.

The Language 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 included in the curriculum offered by the Language Centre in order to provide a diverse range of cultural and social experiences.





THE BAYSIDE HEART OF MELBOURNE

Located approximately 18 kilometres from the central business district of Melbourne, Sandringham is one of Melbourne's most desirable parts of the city.

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. Sandringham offers a safe, healthy, bayside lifestyle.





WHY SANDRINGHAM COLLEGE?

Life at Sandringham College is enriched by a strong global perspective, one which values the harmonious diversity of cultures within the College, both in practice and throughout the curriculum.

Sandringham College is proud to be an accredited provider for International Students and to be recognised as a centre of excellence for International Education. The robust international program enhances the already rich college environment.

OUR COMMITMENT:

A **focus** on nurturing the whole person
 A **culture** of valuing creativity, curiosity and collaboration
 A **passion** for learning and teaching

We believe that every student, whatever their aspirations and skills, must be provided with the greatest opportunity to thrive and achieve both personal and academic success.

THAT'S WHY SANDRINGHAM COLLEGE OFFERS:

- Highly proficient, dedicated staff
- Award winning teaching and learning spaces
- A focus on STEAM subjects: Science, Technology, Engineering, The Arts and Mathematics
- A broad range of academic, artistic, sporting, vocational and co-curricular programs.



Sandringham Yacht Club



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