



Strathfield Girls High School



International Student Information Handbook

2018



The image shows the exterior of Strathfield Girls High School, a two-story brick building. A large sign above the entrance reads "STRATHFIELD GIRLS" in large blue letters, with "A LANGUAGES HIGH SCHOOL" in smaller blue letters below it. To the right of the main text, it says "Donated by YEAR 12 2011". Above the sign is a shield-shaped crest. The entrance is covered by a blue metal awning. To the left of the entrance is a ramp with a metal railing. There are trees and bushes in the foreground, and a paved area with a yellow curb. The building has large windows and a brick facade.

STRATHFIELD GIRLS

A LANGUAGES HIGH SCHOOL

Donated by
YEAR 12 2011

A photograph of two young women, likely students, standing outdoors on a grassy area. They are both wearing dark blue school blazers with a crest on the left chest, white collared shirts, and dark blue and grey plaid skirts. They are also wearing black wide-brimmed hats. The woman on the left is smiling and has her hands clasped in front of her. The woman on the right is also smiling and has her hands clasped in front of her. The background is a blurred green landscape with trees and bushes.

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Strathfield Girls High School

promoting a sense of self worth, integrity and respect for self and others



At Strathfield Girls High School we provide a caring and friendly environment where students are challenged to do their best.

Students are empowered to achieve self reliance and to become confident, responsible and successful young women.

Our school has been welcoming girls from overseas countries for many years and is a rich gathering of cultures.

Fifty-six different cultural groups are represented in the school population and we promote acceptance, valuing and celebration of cultural diversity.

Students at Strathfield Girls High School are encouraged to fulfil their dreams, in their academic endeavours, on the sporting field and in their creative expressions of art, dance and music.

Our girls from local communities and international countries will become well-rounded young women, ready to contribute to the world with a strong moral code and friendships to last a lifetime.

"If you can dream it, you can do it"

Walt Disney



Message from the Principal



Strathfield Girls High School is a place of learning where staff, students and parents are working together to provide a caring and challenging learning environment that will allow every student to achieve her personal best.

Strathfield Girls High School is a comprehensive high school with approximately 1200 students with over 90 International Students.

Over 90% of our students come from non-English speaking backgrounds and this rich cultural diversity allows our International students to assimilate with ease and enjoy the safe and secure environment our school provides.

We offer our students a broad and challenging curriculum, along with welfare support to ensure that their stay with us is a memorable and rewarding experience.

Ms Lyris

Principal

Welcome!



We Believe In...

Success isn't just about what you accomplish in your life. It is about what you inspire others to do.

Our teachers are professional, caring and inspirational leaders. Their creative and innovative style provide engaging learning environments for all.

We believe in...

- striving for excellence in academic, cultural, creative and sporting pursuits;
- developing skills for lifelong learning;
- providing a nurturing, safe and inclusive school environment which fosters co-operation and acceptance of difference;
- promoting a sense of self-worth, integrity and respect for self and others; and
- strengthening the valuable partnerships between students, staff, parents and the community.

*“Believe in yourself and all that you are.
Know that there is something inside you that is greater
than any obstacle.”*



We Believe In...

Students at our school enjoy the experience of learning.

Our girls excel academically, in sport, in music, performing and creative arts as well as in a range of cultural and social activities.

At Strathfield Girls High we are extremely proud of the achievements of staff, students and parents in meeting the challenges of the 21st century and always managing to improve the learning opportunities for all students.

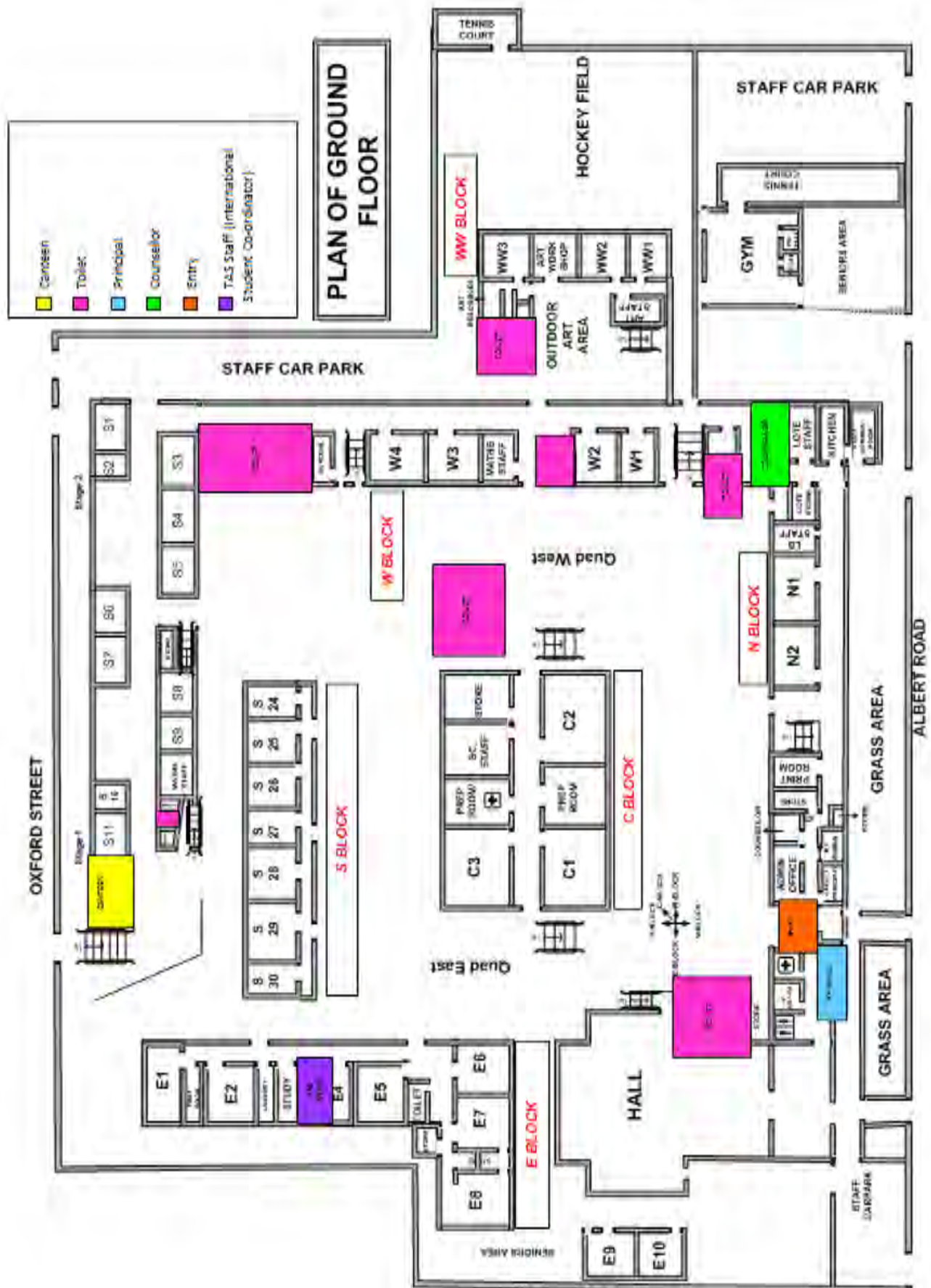
Our school is a fun place to learn and all students are challenged in the learning process and are supported to exceed beyond our expectations.

“If my mind can conceive it, and my heart can believe it, I know I can achieve it”

Jesse Jackson



School Map



Bell Times

2018 BELL TIMES

| MONDAY | | TUESDAY | | WEDNESDAY | | THURSDAY | | FRIDAY | |
|--------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Warning Bell | 8:42 | Warning Bell | 8:42 | Warning Bell | 8:42 | Warning Bell | 8:42 | Warning Bell | 8:42 |
| Roll Call | 8:45-8:55 | Roll Call and SRE | 8:45-9:15 | Roll Call | 8:45-8:55 | Roll Call | 8:45-8:55 | Roll Call | 8:45-8:55 |
| Period 1 | 9:00-10:00 | Period 1 | 9:15-10:10 | Period 1 | 9:00-10:00 | Period 1 | 9:00-10:00 | Period 1 | 9:00-10:00 |
| Period 2 | 10:05-11:05 | Period 2 | 10:10-11:05 | Period 2 | 10:05-11:05 | Period 2 | 10:05-11:05 | Period 2 | 10:05-11:05 |
| Recess 1 | 11:05-11:25 | Recess 1 | 11:05-11:25 | Recess 1 | 11:05-11:25 | Recess 1 | 11:05-11:25 | Recess 1 | 11:05-11:25 |
| Period 3 | 11:25-12:25 | Period 3 | 11:25-12:25 | Period 3 | 11:25-12:25 | Period 3 | 11:25-12:25 | Period 3 | 11:25-12:25 |
| Period 4 | 12:30-1:30 | Lunch 1 | 12:25-12:45 | Period 4 | 12:30-1:30 | Period 4 Assembly | 12:30-1:05 | Period 4 | 12:30-1:30 |
| Lunch 1 | 1:30-1:50 | Lunch 2 | 12:45-1:05 | Lunch 1 | 1:30-1:50 | Lunch 1 | 1:05-1:25 | Lunch 1 | 1:30-1:50 |
| Lunch 2 | 1:50-2:10 | Period 4 | 1:10-2:10 | Lunch 2 | 1:50-2:10 | Lunch 2 | 1:25-1:45 | Lunch 2 | 1:50-2:10 |
| Period 5 | 2:10-3:10 | Period 5 | 2:10-3:10 | Period 5 | 2:10-3:10 | Period 5 | 1:45-2:45 | Period 5 | 2:10-3:10 |

Where do I go if...



I feel sick:

Tell your teacher if you are in class, or see the front office staff.

I need to leave school early:

Before Roll Call that day you must bring a note from your parent/guardian and bring it to a Deputy Principal who will sign it, then you take your signed note to the front office staff.

I am late for school:

If you are late for school or absent text 0436-678-916 and state the reason why. You need a medical certificate for ALL absences. Bring a note from your guardian and report to the front office where you will be signed into school.

I need information regarding the International Student Program:

Speak to the International Student Coordinator, Ms Anderson.

I need help with my school work:

Speak to your class teacher who will assist you, also, you could attend the Homework Help program in the library from 7:30am- 5:30pm.

I am upset, worried or missing home:

Speak to your International Student Coordinator or the School Counsellor who will be able to help you.

I have a problem with my school log in:

Speak to the Technology Coordinator in the Library.

“Good actions give strength to ourselves and inspire good actions in others.”

Plato



Uniforms

School Uniform is Compulsory at Strathfield Girls High. It can be purchased from Lowes at Burwood Plaza. Minimal jewellery may be worn at school i.e. sleepers or plain stud earrings, a simple gold or silver necklace and a watch.

Facial piercings are not permitted. Inappropriate haircuts and coloured hair are not permitted.

Strathfield Girls High School is a gum free zone.

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Overblouse | White short sleeved peak collar pintuck (Should not be tucked in). White long sleeved peak collar pintuck (Should not be tucked in). |
| Skirt - Junior | Grey and blue check skirt with two inverted pleats at the front. It should be worn with the hem below the knee. Pleats should not be adjusted. |
| Skirt – Senior | Blue and grey checked kilt only. This should be worn at mid-calf length |
| Jumper | Navy V-neck woollen jumper with the school crest. |
| Blazer | Navy Blue with school crest compulsory. |
| School Hat | Navy nylon wide brimmed hat with school crest band. School hats are compulsory for Years 7—10 students. |
| Tights | Navy or black opaque stockings. |
| Socks | Plain white socks worn approximately 2cm above the ankle. Knee length socks or socks below the ankle are not acceptable. |
| Shoes | School shoes which are flat, plain black leather and lace up. For safety purposes, they should cover the top of the foot. |
| Skivvy | White skivvy worn under the blouse in cold weather. |
| Scarves/ Gloves/ Ribbons | Navy or white. |
| Hijab | Plain white or navy hijab |



Junior Uniform



Senior Uniform

PE SPORT UNIFORM

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| Polo Top | Panelled microfibre with school crest |
| Shorts | Navy microfibre mesh with emblem |
| Track Suits | Navy/sky panel/piping with emblem |
| Socks | White ankle style worn approximately 2cm above the ankle |
| Shoes | Sport shoes are required. Canvas shoes are not permitted. |

Uniform

Shoes

Black leather shoes are a very important part of the school uniform and in accordance with Work Health & Safety Requirements.

Canvas shoes are not permitted.



Students Not in Uniform

Strathfield Girls High School is a uniformed school with zero tolerance on uniform offences.

- It is expected that students will wear the correct uniform whilst travelling to and from school as well as at school, including examination days, official functions and excursions (except when specific exemption has been given by the Principal or Deputy Principal).
- The uniform should be clean and worn neatly. Students will be asked to comply with the correct uniform, or will be sent home in accordance with the zero tolerance policy on uniform. They will not be allowed to return to school until all proper uniform and personal appearance is complied with.
- Students who are unable to wear the correct uniform at any time must see the Principal at the beginning of the school day. Students not in correct uniform on any school day may be placed on detention and/or sent home.

Other Issues Regarding Uniforms

- Students must wear the uniform designated for their year.
- On sports days students are required to come to school in their school sports uniform.
- Students wishing to wear additional clothing for extra warmth in winter must ensure this is not visible either above or below shirts.
- Hair should be neat and tidy. No coloured hair is allowed.
- Skirts should be no shorter than mid-calf/three quarters.

Strathfield & the Surrounding Area



Strathfield Library



Strathfield Square



Strathfield Park



Strathfield Train Station



Burwood Shopping Centre



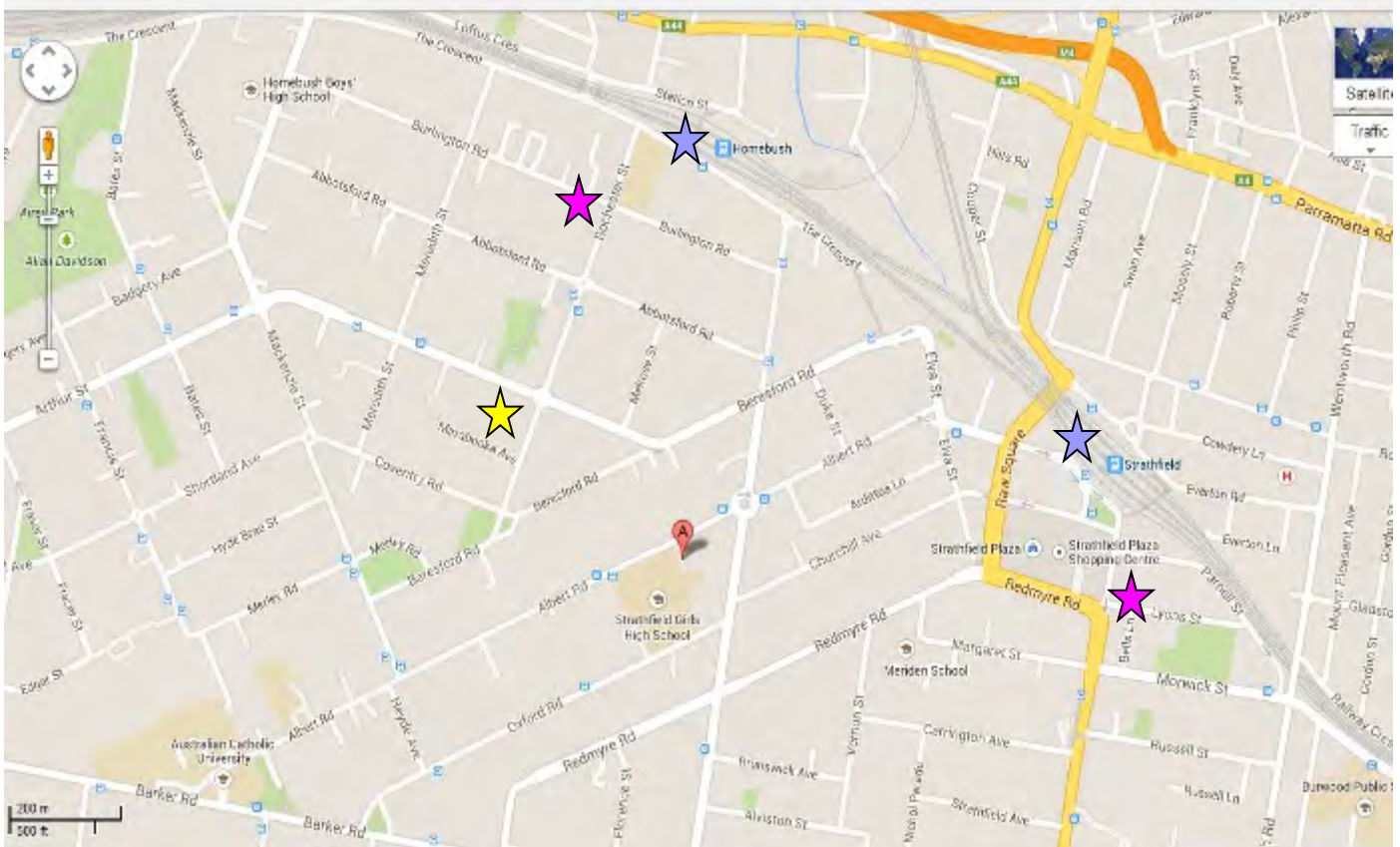
Strathfield Council Chambers

Strathfield is a suburb of the **Inner West** of Sydney.

It is **14kms west** of the Sydney business centre and harbour.

Strathfield is known as a region for education, supporting a variety of Independent and Public Schools, and The Australian Catholic University.

Map of Strathfield



★ **Strathfield Station** is a major transport hub and you can catch many suburban and country trains which will connect you to all the major rail networks. Homebush Station is also located nearby.

★ **Strathfield Library** is located at 65-67 Rochester St Homebush, and has public access computers with internet and word processing facilities. The library is open 7 days a week.

★ There are many **shopping areas** close to Strathfield, Burwood, Parramatta and Sydney which provide large shopping malls, while Strathfield Plaza and Homebush are smaller shopping areas providing hot food, groceries, pharmaceuticals and stationery supplies.

There are a variety of **medical services** in both Strathfield and Homebush. Check the internet for your most convenient medical practice.

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In case of an emergency

In Australia you need to **call 000** to contact the police, ambulance or fire brigade.

The local police station is:

Strathfield Police Station

Strathfield Plaza

Corner of Churchill Avenue and The Boulevard

Strathfield.

Phone: 9746 7084



If you feel unsafe contact the Police and tell your Principal and International Student Coordinator.

You and the law

- It is illegal to drink alcohol if you are under 18 years of age.
- It is illegal to buy cigarettes if you are under 18 years of age.
- Possession and use of illegal drugs is a criminal offence.





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FOUNDED IN 1901



Immigration Information



To be eligible to **work part time**, you must:

- hold a valid student visa class 571;
- be in Australia;
- have commenced your course with NSW Department of Education and Communities and had at least two terms of satisfactory attendance (above 90%); and
- have complied with the conditions of your existing visa.

Please note: during school terms it is advisable to limit your working hours to a maximum of ten hours.

The NSW Government Industrial Relations section provides a facts sheet for International Students working in NSW which includes basic workplace rights and responsibilities.

Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)

If you still have questions regarding work visa issues, you need to contact DIAC directly.

DIAC Sydney office is located at:

26 Lee St,
Sydney. NSW 2000
(near Central Railway Station)



Office hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday: 9.00am – 4.00pm

Wednesday: 9.00am – 1.30pm

Phone: 131 881

“The more things you do, the more you can do”

Lucille Ball

You as an International Student...

The Deputy Principal, in consultation with your English assessor and the Principal, will review your academic profile and will determine which Year group and courses will be appropriate for your pattern of study at Strathfield Girls High School.

When you enrol, the school will conduct English and Maths tests to ensure that you are placed in the correct year and level to ensure your success in the learning process. At Strathfield Girls High School we pride ourselves in our Learning and Engagement faculty who are integral in the nurturing and induction of International Students to our school.

You will be allocated a buddy/friend to accompany you to classes and guide you through your transition to school life in Australia.

'A journey of a thousand miles, must begin with the first step'

Lao Tzu



Responsibilities of an International Student

Once enrolled, International Students have the same responsibilities as local students, as well as the additional requirements under the ESOS Act (Education Services for Overseas Students)

- **Attendance** is a minimum of 90% for each term enrolled. If you are absent you must text 0436-678-916 and state the reason why you are late or absent and also provide a **medical certificate and a written letter** from your parent/guardian explaining your absence upon your return to school.
- Notify the school **immediately** of any **changes to accommodation or welfare arrangements**. Or if students are under 18 and not living with a parent or a relative approved by DIAC, request permission to change accommodation and welfare arrangements. **You must NOT change these arrangements without prior written approval.**
- If applying for part time work (maximum of 20 hours per fortnight) provide your school with a letter of consent from parents. Schools will approve your request if your attendance and progress is satisfactory. **Apply for an Australian Tax Office Tax File** number so that you can give this to your employer. This can be obtained from any post office, or you can access it on line through the ATO website.
- **You must adhere to school rules** and the terms of conditions of enrolment as stated on the International Student application form.
- **Travel during school holidays**, is only permitted if you are travelling with a guardian or relatives. Written permission from your parents is required. **An International Student under 18 years of age is not permitted to travel independently.**
- International Students are not entitled to free government subsidised **travel**. However, students under the age of 16 years can obtain tickets at the child fare and students 16 years and over are entitled to a **student concession card**.
- It is compulsory for student visa holders to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) usually through Medibank Private. This allows students to access medical services similar to Medicare cover.
- Your school may suspend or cancel your enrolment on grounds of misbehavior.

“Arriving at one goal is the starting point to another”

John Dewey



School Information



Welfare

Strathfield Girls High School provides a welfare system to assist International students during their time at the school.

Each student year has an advisor who co-ordinates and supports all the students in their scholastic year with academic and general school issues which may arise.

The International Student Co-ordinator will assist students with the practical aspects of living and studying in Australia and will liaise with the Department of Education International Students.

The school counsellor is also available for assistance in welfare matters and is available by making appointments at the front office.

The careers teacher offers a wide range of support to International students including the provisions of career information, university admission requirements and general tertiary study in Australia.

The School Library

Our library is equipped with books, journals, computers and printing facilities for all students. Each afternoon the library remains open until 5:30pm for 'Homework Help' which is there to assist students with their school work. This is a valuable resource for all International Students.

There are school teachers in attendance every afternoon to assist you with any questions that you may have about your class work, homework or assignments.

Learning English

Strathfield Girls High School provides trained EAL/D staff (English as an Additional Language or Dialect) to help students develop their confidence and competence in speaking, reading and understanding English.

All students whose first language is not English will incorporate EAL/D lessons into their learning program.

Speaking English at school and at home is recommended to improve your language skills and understanding. Reading as many newspapers and books as possible is suggested, as well as watching and listening to evening news programs on television to hear correct pronunciation will be of valuable assistance in your learning of the language.

Assimilating into Australian Culture

Greeting People

When meeting someone for the first time, it is usual to shake the person's right hand with your right hand. People who do not know each other generally do not kiss or hug when meeting. When you first meet someone, it is polite not to talk about personal matters.

Many Australians look at the eyes of the people they are talking with. They consider this a sign of respect, and an indication that they are listening. Do not stare at the person for a long time.

You can address a new acquaintance using their title and family name. You may use their first name when they ask you to or use it in the introduction. In the workplace and among friends, most Australians tend to be informal and call each other by their first names.

Clothing Customs

The types of clothing that people wear reflect the diversity in our society just as much as the variation in climate. There are no laws or rules on clothing, but you must wear certain clothing for work situations. Most workplaces have dress standards.

Outside of the work situation, clothing is an individual choice; many people dress for comfort, for the social situation or the weather. Clubs, movie theatres and other places require patrons to be in neat, clean clothes and appropriate footwear.

People from other countries can choose to wear their national dress. They may be religious or customary items and include monks' robe, a burqa, a hijab or a turban. As a multicultural society with people from many different cultures, clothing is a part of cultural beliefs and practices that is encouraged.

Polite Behaviour

'Please' and 'thank you' are words that are very helpful when dealing with other people, and buying goods or services. When asked if you would like something, like a cup of tea, it is polite to say, 'Yes please', or just 'please' if you would like it, or 'no, thank you' if you do not. When you receive something, it is polite to thank the person by saying 'thank you'. Australians tend to think that people who do not say 'please' or 'thank you' are being rude. Using these words will help in building a good relationship.

Sometimes a sensitive issue may come up in conversation. Not to talk may seem rude. It is more polite to say 'sorry, it is too hard to explain' than to ignore a question.

Australians often say, 'Excuse me' to get a person's attention and 'sorry' if we bump into them. We also say, 'Excuse me' or 'pardon me' if we burp or belch in public or a person's home.

Assimilating into Australian Culture

Polite Behaviour

You should always try to be on time for meetings and other visits. If you realise you are going to be late, try to contact the person to let them know. This is very important for visits to professionals as you may be charged money for being late or if you miss the appointment without notifying them before the appointment time.

Working Rights

Students applying for a student visa to study are not automatically granted permission to work in Australia.

You can only apply for permission to work after you have arrived in Australia and commenced your studies. Before you can apply for a work visa you will need the approval of the Principal, Ms Lyris . If permission is given by the Principal, you can apply for a work visa. If you are granted a work visa you are limited to working a maximum of 10 hours per week during term time.

Overseas Student Health Cover

Health insurance is compulsory for all international students and your first premium needs to be paid before your student visa is issued.

The doctor will ask you for payment at the time of your visit and you will be given a receipt. You should take the receipt to a Medibank Private office where you will receive a refund.

Culture Shock

When you first live in a new country, it is fun to see the differences and to learn how to do things differently. Sometimes, however, those differences can make you feel tired and confused. Everything seems different, nothing feels familiar or comfortable. When those feelings become too much for you, you are experiencing "culture shock".

Culture shock happens to all international students at some stage, and it does not mean that you have failed, or that you won't get through it. You should talk about how you feel. There are many people in the school who can help you to understand your feelings. If you write down what is bothering you in a journal, that can help too.

As you improve your language skills and you become more familiar with your new surroundings, you will feel more comfortable and less isolated. You are likely to become more interested in the people around you and even come to laugh about the little things that once bothered you. Be patient - you will soon be well on your way to adjusting to life in Australia.

Remember that most international students go through a difficult period, but it's just a step on the way to adjusting to a new lifestyle.

Australian Slang

Much common word usage or 'slang' may seem strange to people new to Australia. Slang words start from many different sources. Some words are shortened versions of longer words. If you are unsure what an expression means, it is all right to ask the person who said it to explain what they mean. Some common expressions are:

- **Cuppa**—This is the abbreviated form of the phrase “a cup of tea.” “Drop by this arvo for a cuppa” means please come and visit this afternoon for a cup of tea or coffee.
- **Maccas**—This is the abbreviated term for McDonald’s.
- **Arvo**—This is short for afternoon. ‘Drop by this arvo,’ means please come and visit this afternoon.
- **Straya**—Slang for Australia.
- **Footy**—Slang for Football/Rugby.
- **Biccy**— Slang for Biscuit.
- **Choccy**— Slang for Chocolate. “Would you like a choccy biccy?” means would you like a chocolate biscuit?
- **Devo**—Devastated is often shortened to Devo.
- **Servo**—Service station/Gas Station.
- **Prezzie**—The short version of the noun present. “ Please open your birthday prezzie”.
- **Bring a plate** — when you are invited to a party and asked to ‘bring a plate’, this means to bring a dish of food to share with your host and other guests. Take the food to the party in any type of dish, not just a plate, and it is usually ready to serve. This is common for communal gatherings such as for school or work. If you are unsure what to bring, you can ask the host.
- **Fortnight** —This term describes a period of two weeks.
- **Barbeque, BBQ, barbie**— outdoor cooking, usually of meat or seafood over a grill or hotplate using gas or coals. The host serves the meat with salads and bread rolls.
- **Snag**— The raw type sausages usually cooked at a BBQ. They can be made of pork, beef or chicken.
- **Chook**— The term chook means a chicken, usually a hen.
- **Loo or dunny** — These are slang terms for toilet. If you are a guest in someone's house for the first time, it is usually polite to ask permission to use his or her toilet. ‘May I use your toilet please?’ Some people ask, ‘Where's the loo?’
- **Fair dinkum**— honest, the truth. ‘Fair dinkum?’ when used as a question means, ‘is it really true?’
- **To be crook**—to be sick or ill.
- **Flat out**— to be busy.
- **Bloke** — a man. Sometimes if you ask for help, you may get an answer to ‘see that bloke over there’.
- **How ya goin? ‘How are you going?’** - means how are you, or how do you do? It does not mean what form of transport you are taking.

Personal and Public Safety



Sydney is a safe place to live but you should be aware of your surroundings to assist you in remaining safe. On most occasions you will be with a group of your fellow students and teachers e.g. sports teams, excursions, school socials and weekend activities. When you are out and about it is important to be alert and aware of your personal safety. Some general rules are shown below should you find yourself alone or your group has reduced in numbers.

At night remember:

- Think ahead - consider how you are going to get home - what about pre-booking a taxi or arranging transport with a friend or family member?
- Never hitch-hike.
- Make sure that you stay with your group and that someone knows where you are at all times.
- Make sure you have enough money to get back to your house or to a phone.
- Keep away from trouble - if you see any trouble or suspect that it might be about to start move away from the scene if you can. The best thing you can do is to alert the police and keep away.
- Walk purposely and try to appear confident. Be wary of casual requests from strangers, like someone asking for a cigarette or change as they could have other motives.
- Try not to carry your wallet where it is vulnerable and in clear view.

At any time off the School Campus:

- Be alert to your surroundings and the people around you, especially if you are alone or it is dark.
- Whenever possible, travel with a friend or as part of a group.
- Stay in well-lit areas as much as possible.
- Walk confidently and at a steady pace.
- Do not respond to conversation from strangers on the street or in a car - just continue walking.
- Be aware of your surroundings, and avoid using ipods or radios when walking alone - you might not hear someone approaching.
- Always keep your school bag/handbag in view and close to your body.
- Be discrete with your cash or mobile phones in public.
- If you do not have a mobile phone, make sure that you have a phone card or change to make a phone call, but remember **emergency 000 calls are free of charge.**

Personal and Public Safety

Public Transport Safety

Travelling on public transport should be a safe and comfortable experience. Numerous security measures have been adopted to maximise the safety of travellers including: security officers, police, guards, help points, good lighting and security cameras.

Alcohol, Smoking, & Drugs

Strathfield Girls High School does not condone the inappropriate use of any drugs and alcohol and does not permit the possession and use of prohibited substances by students at any time. If you are found in possession or under the influence of alcohol and/or prohibited drugs there a number of consequences that could apply:

- a) Expelled from School
- b) Visa cancelled
- c) Arrest
- d) Prison
- e) Deportation

Alcohol use is legal for those aged 18 years or over. There are laws governing how alcohol may be used in each State and Territory of Australia.

Making New Friends

Strathfield Girls High School is a happy, welcoming community in which you will make many friends, but you will need to be cautious yet open and tolerant when beginning a new friendship. The school provides a culturally diverse mix of students and allows for girls to make friends with a wide range of people.

Be kind to yourself - remember that making friends takes time. If you make the most of social opportunities, just as you would back home, it will be quicker and easier for you to fit in, make friends and feel at home.

If a stranger starts talking to you, they are probably just being friendly. But be safe, and don't give them any of your personal details like your full name, your phone number or your address.

Many international students spend time socialising with other students and people from their own country and culture while they're in Australia. These people can make you feel accepted and you may be able to communicate much more easily with them than you can with locals, particularly when you have just arrived. When everything around you is new and different, it can feel like a big relief to find people from your own country and cultural background. But remember, you need to be careful at first, until you get to know them better, just as you should with anyone else. Even though you may feel like you have a lot in common, remain cautious until you feel you know them reasonably well and can trust them. Crimes against international students are sometimes committed by people who are known to them.



UNDER 18

**REQUEST TO CHANGE
WELFARE ARRANGEMENTS**



Education

DE International

Mail: DE International
Locked Bag 53, Darlinghurst NSW 1300
Australia

Telephone: (612) 1300 300 229

FAX (612) 8293 6928

Email: isc@det.nsw.edu.au

Student family name..... Student given names.....

Student Reference No..... Passport Number..... Date of Birth.....

Student's new address..... Post Code:.....

Student personal email Telephone No.....

High School (or school preferences if school not confirmed).....

Please indicate if accommodation is

- Living with direct relative approved by DIBP ☐
- Homestay family ☐
- Shared accommodation ☐
- Parent with a guardian visa ☐

Reason for changing address.....

Name, age and sex of people residing at the same address

Name Age M/F Name Age M/F

Name Age M/F Name Age M/F

Name Age M/F Name Age M/F

Carer Contact Name.....

Carer Contact Address.....

..... Postcode

Carer Email Address

Carer Contact Telephone: Home Mobile..... Work.....

Carer Signature.....

Date

CRICOS Provider Name: NSW Department of Education | CRICOS Provider Code: 00588M

OVER 18

**REQUEST TO CHANGE
WELFARE ARRANGEMENTS**



Education

DE International

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Student Family Name..... Student Given Names.....

Student Reference No..... Passport Number..... Date of Birth.....

Student's new address..... Post Code:.....

Student personal email Telephone No.....

High School (or school preferences if school not confirmed).....

Please indicate if accommodation is

- Living with relatives ☐
- Homestay family ☐
- Shared accommodation ☐
- Other ☐

Reason for changing address

Name, age and sex of people residing at the same address

Name..... Age..... M/F Name..... Age..... M/F

Name..... Age..... M/F Name..... Age..... M/F

(MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY CONTACT PERSON over 21 with Australian PR)

Emergency Contact Name (Mr/Mrs/Ms)

Emergency Contact Address

.....Postcode.....

Emergency Contact Email Address.....

Emergency Contact Telephone: Home Mobile.....

Emergency Contact Signature.....

Date

(MUST BE SIGNED BY STUDENT)

Student Signature.....

Date

CRICOS Provider Name: NSW Department of Education | CRICOS Provider Code: 00588M

Homestay Policy

Welfare Requirements for international students in New South Wales (NSW) Australia government schools:

- **Students in primary school in Kindergarten to Year 4 must live with their parent.** Primary students in Years 5 or 6 may live with a parent or direct relative approved by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP).
- **Students in Years 7 and 8 may live with a parent or direct relative approved by the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP).**
- **Students in Years 9 – 12 may live with a parent, approved relative or in a homestay.**

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) requires student visa holders under 18 years to either:

1. **live with their parent or a suitable relative (as defined by DIBP).** Parents may accompany their child, usually on a carer visa, or parents may nominate a suitable relative who is aged over 25 and is of good character. The relative must provide a police check and evidence of the family relationship directly to the Australian Embassy / Consulate for approval. The relative's name, address and contact details are provided to DE International on the Application form and the parents and relatives complete the Carer form. The student must live with this relative.

OR

2. **live in arrangements approved by their education provider.** Parents must request NSW Department of Education to arrange Homestay.

DE International will then issue the **Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare Arrangements (CAAW) form** for the student's visa. If a CAAW form has been issued, the student **must live in a Homestay approved by NSW Department of Education.**

Homestay families must:

- be registered with a Homestay Provider with an agreement with NSW Department of Education,
- agree to Working with Children Checks (WWCC) on all adults residing in the home,
- meet the requirements, as outlined in the **Homestay Information for Parents** sheet,
- agree to take on the responsibilities of a carer for a student under 18 years, as outlined on the **Homestay Carer form.**

Homestay accommodation is arranged for students only. Visiting parents or relatives must seek independent accommodation arrangements.

寄宿家庭政策 – 新南威尔士州教育与培训部 (NSW DEC)

新南威尔士州 (NSW) 澳大利亚公立学校国际学生福利要求：

- 从幼儿园到4年级的小学生必须与家长同住。5 年级或6年级的小学生必须与家长，或获移民与公民部 (DIAC) 核准的直系亲属同住。
- 7 年级和 8 年级的学生必须与家长或获准直系亲属同住。
- 9 – 12 年级的学生可以与家长或获准亲属同住，也可以住在寄宿家庭中。

移民与公民部 (DIAC) 要求 18 岁以下的学生签证持有者：

1. 与家长或合适直系亲属 (按照移民与公民部(DIAC)的定义) 同住。家长可与孩子陪读。通常持有监护人签证，家长也可提名一年满 25 岁并且品行良好的合适直系亲属。该名直系亲属必须将无犯罪记录检查结果以及家庭关系证明材料直接提交澳大利亚大使馆/领事馆批准。申请表上的亲属姓名、住址和联系资料必须提供给国际学生中心，家长 and 亲属需填写监护人/照顾者表。学生必须与该名直系亲属同住。

或者

2. 住在教育机构核准的安排中。家长必须申请新南威尔士州教育与培训部安排寄宿家庭。

国际学生中心 然后会针对学生签证颁发合适住宿与福利安排确认书(CAAW)。若颁发 CAAW 确认书，学生就必须住在新南威尔士州教育与培训部核准的寄宿家庭中。

寄宿家庭必须：

- 向与新南威尔士州教育与培训部签订有协议的寄宿家庭机构登记。
- 同意让住在家中的所有成年人接受儿童工作检查 (WWCC)。
- 符合“寄宿家庭家长须知”中概述的要求。
- 同意按照“寄宿家庭监护人/照顾者表”所述，担负未满 18 岁学生的监护人/照顾者的责任。

寄宿家庭仅为学生安排。前来探亲的家长或亲属必须另外寻找住宿安排。

9 – 12 年级学生的家长若希望孩子与远亲或家庭的朋友同住，而且远亲和朋友与家庭具有稳固的关系，家长可以申请批准。这些被称为“家长提名的寄宿家庭”，必须满足相同的寄宿家庭要求。从学生语言发展的角度出发，建议学生最好住在讲英语的家庭中。

외국 유학생을 위한 정보지

호주 법률은 외국 유학생들을 위한 양질의 교육 및 소비자 보호 증진을 지향합니다. 이러한 법률은 ESOS 제도로 알려져 있으며, 여기에는 2000 년 외국 유학생 지원 제도 법 (Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) Act 2000) 및 국가 규범 (National Code) 등이 포함되어 있습니다.

ESOS 제도에 관한 요약 내용은 웹사이트

<https://internationaleducation.gov.au/Regulatory-Information/Pages/RegulatoryInformation.aspx>

를 참조하십시오.

학생 비자 요건에 대한 정보를 알고 싶으시면, 호주 이민 시민권부 (구 이민성, Department of Immigration and Citizenship: DIAC) 웹사이트 <http://www.border.gov.au/Travel/isa-1/571> 를 참조하십시오.

학교에 관한 우려 사항이나 궁금한 점, 또는 개인적인 문제나 기타 문제가 있으면, 귀하가 다니는 학교의 외국 유학생 코디네이터 (**International Student Coordinator**) 에게 연락하십시오. 코디네이터는 귀하를 돕거나 적절한 담당 직원을 소개해줄 것입니다.

NSW 정부 학교에 다니는 학생에게는 다음 규정이 적용됩니다.

출석 및 수업 요건

- 귀하는 규정된 전체 수업에 최소 **80%** 이상 출석해야 합니다. 출석 요건을 충족시키지 못했을 경우, 특별히 납득이 가거나 어쩔 수 없는 상황이 아니라면 이민 시민권부 (DIAC)에 보고됩니다. (아래 지침을 참조하십시오).
- 3일 이상 결석하는 경우, 귀하는 의사 진단서를 제출해야 합니다. 의사는 정식등록된 의료인이어야 합니다. 하루 또는 이틀 간 결석할 경우, 보호자가 사유서를 제출하거나, 18세 이상인 경우에는 본인이 직접 사유서를 제출할 수 있습니다.
- 귀하는 수업 진도 요건을 충족시켜야 합니다. 학습 위원회 (Board of Studies)에서 정한 수업 요건에 관한 정보는 귀하가 다니는 학교에서 제공 받으실 것입니다. 수업 요건에 관한 더 자세한 정보를 알고 싶으시면, 다음 웹사이트를 참조하십시오 www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au

숙소 및 생활 보호 준비

- 귀하가 18세 미만인 경우, 허가 받은 숙소, 지원 및 생활 보호 준비 사항을 유지해야 합니다. 본 준비 사항들에 대해 NSW 교육 지역사회부의 허가를 받으면, 귀하는 사전 서면 허가 없이 해당 준비 사항들을 변경해서는 안 됩니다. 준비 사항 변경요청은 외국 유학생 센터에 서면으로 보내야 하며, 귀하의 부모님의 서명을 받아야 합니다.
- 귀하의 홈스테이를 변경하고 싶으시다면, 귀하가 다니는 학교의 외국 유학생 코디네이터에게 연락하셔야 합니다.
- NSW 교육 지역사회부에서는 18세 이상의 학생들이라도 친척이나 홈스테이 가정에 계속하여 거주하기를 권장합니다. 변경된 숙소는 귀하의 통학에 지장이 없는 거리에 있어야 합니다.
- 귀하의 부모님이나 친척 (허가 받은 보호자)은 귀하가 호주에 도착한 후 7일 이내에 귀하의 거주 주소를 귀하의 학교에 통지해야 하며, 주소 및 연락처의 변경이 있을 경우, 7일 이내에 통지해야 합니다. 18세 이상인 학생 또한 주소가 변경되었을 때는 7일 이내에 자신이 다니는 학교에 통지해야 합니다.

입학 등록 조건

- 입학허가서(COE)에 적힌 날짜에 학교를 시작해야 합니다. 이것이 가능하지 않을 경우 DEC 유학생 센터에 서면으로 24 내에 입학허가서에 언급된 개학일을 통보하십시오.

Chính Sách Về Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay) – Bộ Giáo Dục và Huấn Nghệ New South Wales (NSW DEC)

Các Yêu Cầu Phúc Lợi dành cho du học sinh tại các trường công lập, tiểu bang New South Wales (NSW), Úc Đại Lợi:

- Học sinh tiểu học từ Mẫu Giáo đến lớp 4 phải sống với phụ huynh. Học sinh tiểu học ở lớp 5 hoặc 6 có thể sống với phụ huynh hoặc thân nhân trực hệ đã được chấp thuận bởi Bộ Di Trú và Quốc Tịch (DIAC).
- Học sinh các lớp 7 và 8 phải ở với thân nhân đã được chấp thuận.
- Học sinh lớp 9 đến lớp 12 có thể sống với phụ huynh, thân nhân đã được chấp thuận hoặc ở Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay)

Bộ Di Trú và Quốc Tịch (DIAC) yêu cầu những người có chiếu kháng (visa) học sinh dưới 18 tuổi phải hoặc là:

1. **sống với phụ huynh hoặc thân nhân thích hợp (như đã được định bởi DIAC).** Phụ huynh có thể đi theo con cái, thông thường bằng chiếu kháng dành cho người giám hộ (carer visa), hoặc phụ huynh có thể đề cử một thân nhân trên 25 tuổi và có hạnh kiểm tốt. Người thân nhân này phải cung cấp giấy kiểm chứng của cảnh sát và bằng chứng về quan hệ trong gia đình thẳng lên Tòa Đại Sứ Úc / Tòa Lãnh Sự Úc để được phê chuẩn. Tên, địa chỉ và chi tiết liên lạc của thân nhân phải được cung cấp trong Đơn Xin cho Trung Tâm Du Học Sinh đồng thời phụ huynh và thân nhân điền đơn Người Giám Hộ/ Người Chăm Sóc (Carer form). Học sinh phải sống với thân nhân này.

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2. **sống theo sự sắp xếp đã được chấp thuận bởi cơ sở cung cấp dịch vụ giáo dục.** Phụ huynh phải yêu cầu Bộ Giáo Dục và Huấn Nghệ NSW sắp xếp Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay).

Trung Tâm Du Học Sinh sau đó sẽ cấp **Thư Xác Nhận về Sự Sắp Xếp Phúc Lợi và Chỗ Ăn Ở Thích Hợp (Confirmation of Appropriate Accommodation and Welfare Arrangements, CAAW)** cho chiếu kháng của học sinh. Nếu như thư xác nhận của CAAW được cấp, học sinh **phải sống chỗ Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay) đã được chấp thuận bởi Bộ Giáo Dục và Huấn Nghệ NSW.**

Các gia đình với dịch vụ Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay) phải:

- được đăng ký với một Cơ Sở Cung Cấp Dịch Vụ Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay Provider) bằng một hợp đồng với Bộ Giáo Dục và Huấn Nghệ NSW (NSW DEC),
- đồng ý cho việc Kiểm Tra Làm Việc với Trẻ Em (Working with Children Checks, WWCC) đối với tất cả các người lớn cư ngụ trong nhà này.
- hội đủ mọi yêu cầu, như đã được kê ra trong tờ **Thông Tin Nhà Cư Ngụ dành cho Phụ Huynh (Homestay Information for Parents).**
- đồng ý nhận trách nhiệm của một người giám hộ/ người chăm sóc cho học sinh dưới 18 tuổi, như đã được kê ra trong đơn dành cho **Người Giám Hộ/ Người Chăm Sóc của Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay Carer).**

Nhà Cư Ngụ (Homestay) chỉ được sắp xếp cho học sinh thôi. Phụ huynh hoặc thân nhân viếng thăm phải tự sắp xếp chỗ cư ngụ riêng.



Useful Links

ISC:

www.internationalschool.edu.au

(This is linked to the DEC website under Information for Overseas Students)

ESOS Act and National Code:

www.deewr.gov.au

Work permit application

www.immi.gov.au/study/working/index

Overseas student health cover:

www.medibank.com.au

International Students Advisers National Association (ISANA):

www.isana.org.au



EMERGENCY PLUS APP

Save the app that could save your life.

'Emergency +' is a national app developed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners, helping people to call the right number at the right time, anywhere in Australia. The app uses a mobile phone's GPS functionality so callers can provide emergency call-takers with their location information as determined by their smart phone. 'Emergency+' also includes SES and Police Assistance Line numbers as options, so non-emergency calls are made to the most appropriate number.

When calling Triple Zero (000), remember to stay focused, stay relevant, and stay on the line. Before you call, ask yourself:

- * Is someone seriously injured or in need of urgent medical help?
- * Is your life or property being threatened?
- * Have you just witnessed a serious accident or crime?

If you answered 'Yes' to any of these questions, call Triple Zero (000). Triple Zero calls are free.



SGHS welcomes you as an International Student



Welcome

Καλώς Ορίσατε

Xin chao

Welkom

Ciao

Bienvenue

BONJOUR

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ようこそ

Aloha

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歡迎



READINESS



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