

# International Student Program

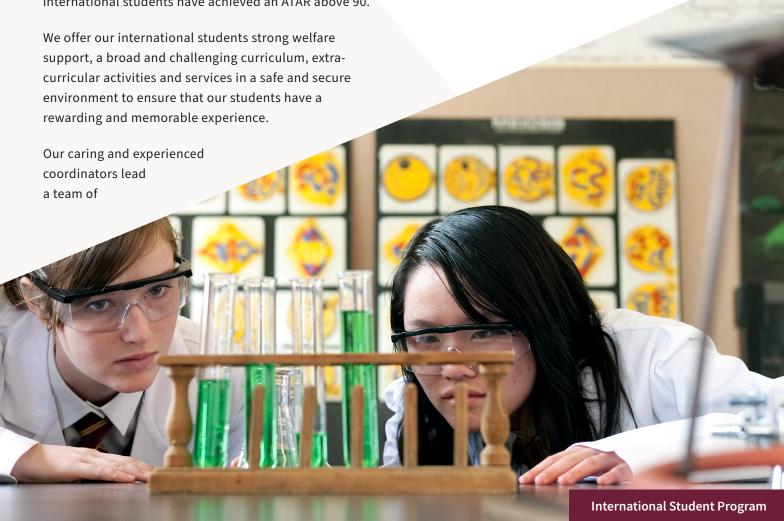
Kew High School is a high performing coeducational government secondary school in the leafy eastern suburbs of Melbourne with an enrolment of 1200 students and about ninety of them are international students. Over the past twenty years the school has developed a very successful International Student Program that has been evident in a high level of enrolments of international students as well as in their amazing academic achievements.

All our international students go on to tertiary studies after they finish the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) studies at Kew High School. The University of Melbourne, Monash University and RMIT are popular tertiary destinations for our students. Three of our recent international students have been School Dux, all scoring an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) above 98.70. In recent years over fifty per cent of our international students have achieved an ATAR above 90.

teachers who guide, educate and encourage our students to settle into their new school and achieve their goals. Students are monitored and supported throughout their time at Kew and parents are regularly informed of their child's progress and well being.

We have our own on-campus ELC which allows students to study English intensively within the school and eases their transition into mainstream classes. The school's impressive facilities also include a senior centre, gymnasium, theatre, library, art gallery, ICT centre, music and performing arts centre.

Kew High School is close to a range of facilities such as supermarkets, pharmacies, medical centres, cafes, recreational centres and parks and is about 10 kms from the centre of Melbourne, well serviced by public transport with trams and buses all passing in front of the school gates. International students at Kew High School attend a high performing Victorian Government school with excellent access to all the services that make Melbourne one of the most liveable cities in the world.



# Aspire Strive Achieve



The program has been designed to assist international students with key information to help them with pre-departure preparation, transition into mainstream classes, settling in a new environment and moving into tertiary studies. The orientation starts from the day the student is accepted and continues throughout their stay with us.

### **Broad VCE Subject Offerings**

- English English, English Language, English Literature, and EAL
- Maths Further Maths, Specialist Maths, and Maths Methods
- Science Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Psychology
- Humanities Legal Studies, Accounting, Business
   Management, Economics and Humanities
- Languages French, Japanese, Chinese as 1st Language, and Vietnamese as 1st Language
- Art Studio Art, Visual Communication and Design and Media Studies
- Performing Arts Music & Theatre Studies









- Technology Algorithmics, Computing, Data Analysis and Food Studies
- Health Physical Education

### **Careers Counselling**

Our Careers Officer designs a career plan for the student which includes advice about the most suitable tertiary courses according to the students' skills and preferences and consequently, the most suitable subjects to study for those courses. Careers counselling ensures students meet pre-requisite requirements for tertiary courses.

# **International Student Leadership**

All international students have the opportunity to participate in the school Student Leadership Program to develop and practice their leadership skills. Our International Student Captains are an integral part of the Senior Leadership Team. They represent the international student body and enhance the status and profile of international students in the school community.





# **Co-Curricular Activities**

Students are offered a range of camps and excursions. Y12 students start Y12 each year with a study camp where they have the opportunity to listen to some of the best guest speakers in the country. The Year 11 Biology Camp is a highlight for students studying biology, spending two days at Queenscliff Marine Study Centre to study the marine environment as part of their field study work.

Throughout the school year, students are offered exciting excursions or incursions in the Arts, EAL, Physics, Chemistry, Legal Studies, Media and Theatre Studies, just to name a few. Swimming Carnival, Athletics Day, Music Festivals and other sporting and musical events are just other avenues where our students showcase their talents and get involved in a vibrant school life.

### **Homestay Families**

All students stay with homestay families unless they live with parents or nominated third parties. Homestay families that provide accommodation to Kew High School international students have been thoroughly screened and briefed to meet the standard of accommodation provision stipulated by the International Student Division of the Department of Education and Training.

The families live near the school and provide a supportive environment where students feel safe and welcome. They provide practical and emotional advice to the students. Student homestay families are visited twice a year by our homestay coordinator.



### INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ENROLMENT

Kew High School is a Victorian Government School; therefore, all applications should be sent to the International Education Division of the Department of Education and Training, Victoria, which takes the overall responsibility of regulating the International Student Program at Victorian government schools and assessing all applications. Comprehensive information about the International Student Program in government schools can be accessed from the following website: www.study.vic.gov.

### **Study Plans**

Kew High School takes international students at Senior School level only. Most international students require two terms of intensive English Language Training before they start mainstream classes. There are two intakes at our own ELC during a school year:

- February Intake: for students who have finished half of their Year 10 in their home countries
- July Intake: for students who have finished a complete Year 10 in their home countries

The above study plans ensure that our students have reached a certain level of personal and academic maturity to meet the challenges of studying overseas. Interviews are applicable to prospective students.

## **Application**

Parents wishing to have their child enrolled at Kew High School are welcome to register Kew High School as their first preference on the application form. For detailed information about application and accredited agents of the Department of Education and Training, please go to:

www.study.vic.gov.au







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### Kelly DAO ATAR 98.75 (2018)

"I would like to thank all my teachers for your care to me. Thank you for guiding me the right path to my future and being there anytime I needed help. Even though I am doing Commerce in Sydney now, I will definitely come back to Melbourne to visit my old school!"

### Helen VU ATAR 99.80 (2017)

"Self-motivation is the most important thing for International Students. We've learnt how to pick up ourselves up every time after falling down and we've realised how important to push ourselves every time we feel being left behind."





### Thang DAO ATAR 99.05 (2014)

"Studying in Australia was one of my biggest goals which is not only important to my personal development but I also consider it as my very own experience of the whole life! I chose Kew High School for its well-rounded activities ranging from the academic studies to the extra curricular ones such as sport events, debating, performing musical instruments or even giving a speech to the crowd. Never have I engaged with multi-cultural students including Chinese, Japanese or the local Australian students as well as a number of great Vietnamese friends, nor have I experienced the Western schools and teachers, how friendly everyone is!

Thanks to Kew High School for giving me a chance to know them all and their great support, as an International student."

For general information about the International Student Program at Victorian government schools, please go to www.study.vic.gov.au

For further information about Kew High School's International Student Program, please go to www.kew.vic.edu.au or contact:

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