



BALCOMBE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

STUDY TOURS

AND SHORT TERM
PROGRAMS



WELCOME

Balcombe Grammar School welcomes overseas students to participate in our Study Tours and Short Term Programs.

Benefits include:

- Experiencing life and study in Australia
- Programs designed to suit each group's needs
- Specialised English language classes
- School integration
- Wide range of activities
- Accommodation with an Australian family, sharing in their daily life



VISITING AUSTRALIA

Australia is a natural wonderland of beautiful beaches, historic townships, bustling cities, vivid landscapes and exotic flora and fauna. Australia is the sixth largest country in the world and is made up of six states and two territories.

VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

Located on Australia's east coast, Victoria is home to about five million people - the second largest population of any state in Australia.

Almost one quarter of Victoria's population was born overseas - 43.6 percent were either born overseas, or have a parent who was born overseas. More than 100,000 international students study in Victoria.

English is the official language, but more than 20 percent of Victorians - and almost 30 percent of Melburnians - speak a language other than English at home.

MELBOURNE, VICTORIA

Melbourne, sits on the banks of the Yarra River and around the shores of Port Phillip Bay.

Melbourne is Australia's second largest capital city and home to some of Australia's most prestigious events and festivals.

MORNINGTON PENINSULA

The Mornington Peninsula lies just south of Melbourne.

The beaches, where most of the peninsula's population is concentrated, provide an interesting mix of coastal landscapes. From wind-swept surf beaches, bushy foreshore reserves, scenic lookouts and rocky coastal formations.

Inland, the rural southern part of the Mornington Peninsula consists of rolling hills with areas of bushland.



A photograph of several young students in a classroom setting, focused on a craft project. They are sitting at a table, and one student in the foreground is holding a piece of yellow paper. The background shows shelves with books and other classroom materials.

TAILORED PROGRAMS

Students from many countries now enjoy visiting and studying at Balcombe Grammar School.

Visiting groups develop their confidence in speaking English through customised language classes, peer discussion and conversation with their homestay families.

The immersion program also helps to engage visiting students in the local culture and community.

Our Study Tour and Short Term programs are tailored to each visiting group's specific needs and may be reduced or extended as required by the group.

Each program is designed to provide students with a comprehensive and rewarding experience of Australian life.

Students will have the opportunity to:

- Improve their English through customised language classes.
- Explore Melbourne through excursions and visits to nearby attractions on the Mornington Peninsula and Phillip Island.
- Enjoy many exciting co-curricular opportunities including beach activities, sporting activities and integrated classroom activities with local students.

PROGRAM FEES

Fees will be based on the length, academic content, accommodation and activities required by each group.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

You can study in Australia for up to 3 months on a Visitors Visa.



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HOMESTAY

Balcombe Grammar School can provide visiting groups with homestay accommodation.

Students stay with a local family and experience the Australian lifestyle whilst practising their English language skills.

Homestay families care for the students as a member of their family.

Homestay offers overseas students the opportunity to live in a local home while studying in Australia.

Both students and families can learn about another culture first hand. It also gives overseas students an opportunity to practice their English. Families will see their students improve every day and new friendships are quickly formed as families share their stories and customs throughout the stay.

Homestay families are carefully chosen and provide overseas students with accommodation that is near or within easy access of the school.

To ensure the very best of care whilst staying in Australia, homestay families will escort students to and from school, provide them with their own bed and three meals a day, and give them access to laundry facilities.

Students will also participate in a range of family activities after school and on weekends.

Visiting groups are encouraged to become part of their homestay family and make friendships that last a lifetime.

Both students and host families can access the Homestay Co-ordinator during the school week as well as after hours including a 24 hour emergency contact.





MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

Visiting groups enjoy a welcoming and friendly environment that allows them to fully explore the Australian culture and lifestyle.

Students are encouraged to embrace new experiences and make life-long friendships with their school buddies, class mates, teachers and families.

At the farewell party, visiting students and their homestay families often express how they are reluctant to say goodbye at the end of their stay.

SCHOOL BUDDIES

Local students volunteer to be a buddy to visiting overseas students. Buddies help their new friends settle in by showing them around the school and introducing them to other local students.

PRESENTATION AND FAREWELL

At the completion of the program, students achievements are celebrated with a certificate presentation and farewell party.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To make an enquiry about our Study Tours or Short Term programs please contact Balcombe Grammar School via phone, email or the website.

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