



# BLACKFRIARS

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## International Student Prospectus

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# From the Principal

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**David Ruggiero**

Principal  
Blackfriars Class of 1992

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**Providing a specialist boys' education that is well-rounded academically, socially, emotionally and physically.**

Blackfriars Priory School is an independent Catholic day school of 800 students delivering excellence in the education of boys from Reception to Year 12.

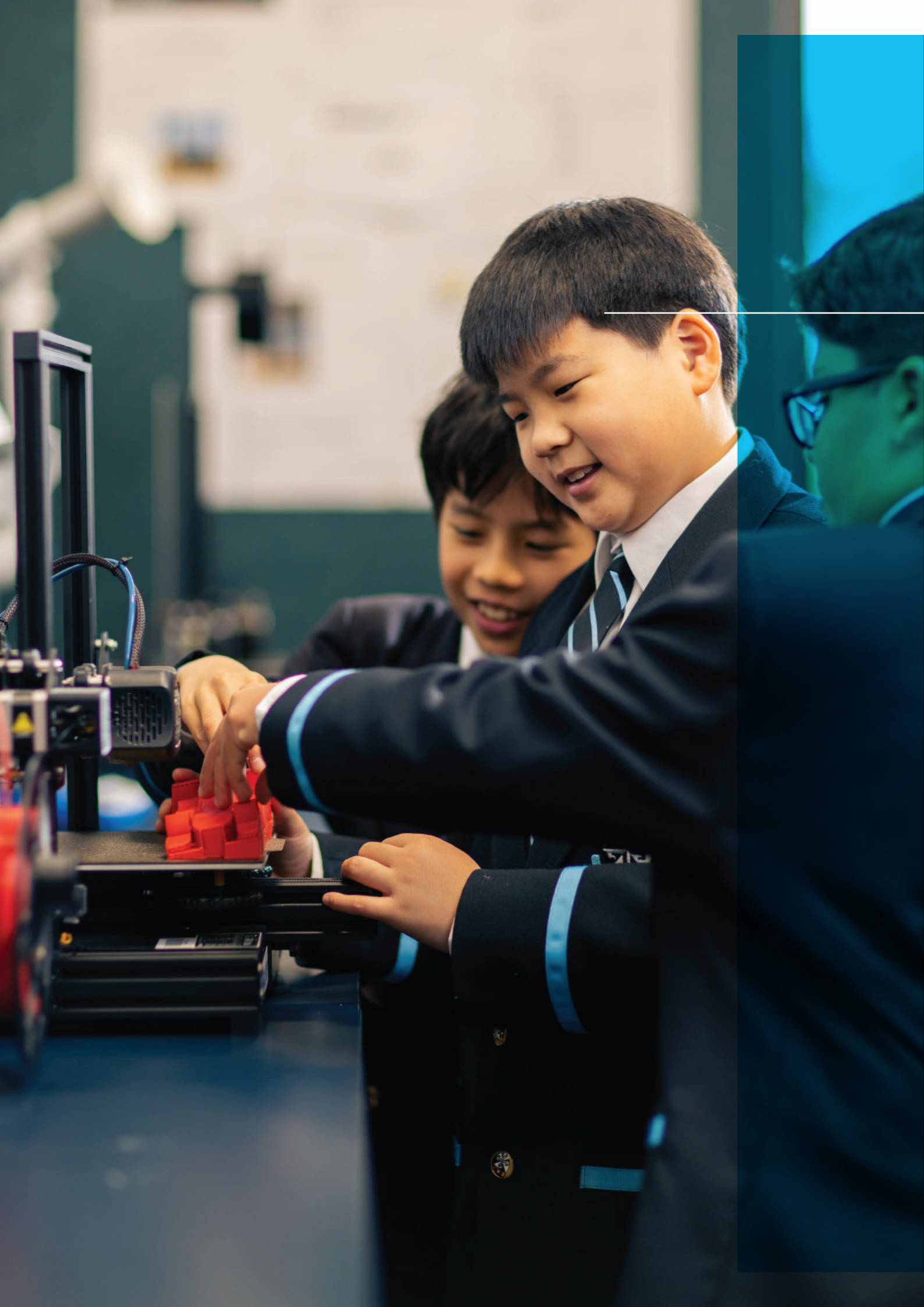
Blackfriars provides an inclusive and progressive educational environment where your son will have every opportunity to find his way in the world.

Education at Blackfriars engages the whole person, with a foundation in the unique Dominican tradition and Four Pillars of Prayer, Study, Community and Service. We educate young men to understand the spiritual as well as the intellectual, physical and social aspects of their lives.

We are a diverse, multicultural school and welcome students from across the globe who wish to study in Australia.

I invite you and your son to become part of the Blackfriars tradition.





# Specialists in boys' education

Teaching staff at Blackfriars are employed based on their achievements, qualifications and educational philosophies; especially their ability to convert curriculum into an engaging and inspiring experience for young men.

Our teachers combine years of experience with contemporary teaching methodologies, up-to-date research and recent technologies to make learning enjoyable and purposeful.

Students at Blackfriars explore and excel in their natural strengths, build confidence to apply themselves to more challenging subject areas, co-construct learning and lay the foundations for lifelong learning and achievement.

## **Junior Secondary program**

Our Junior Secondary program caters to the diverse needs of boys in this transitional period of life. The contemporary curriculum for Years 7 to 9 follows the Australian Curriculum, where teachers identify the needs of each student and create individual programs that encourage their development.

## **Senior Secondary program**

Senior School students undertake the internationally recognised South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) in Years 10 to 12. Students can choose a full academic program on the pathway to achieving an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) and tertiary studies locally and worldwide, or a program rich in Vocational Education and Training, or a mixture of these.

# Curriculum

FACULTY	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
<b>RELIGION STUDIES</b>	Religion Studies	Religion Studies	Religion Studies
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics
<b>SCIENCES</b>	Science	Science	Science
<b>ENGLISH</b>	English	English	English
<b>HUMANITIES &amp; SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>	Civics & Citizenship Economics & Business Geography History	Civics & Citizenship Economics & Business Geography History	Geography History
<b>TECHNOLOGY</b>	Academic Extension STEM Design, Technology & Engineering Digital Technology	Academic Extension STEM Design, Technology & Engineering Digital Technology	Academic Extension STEM Coding & Game Programming Graphic Communication Product Design & Manufacture Robot Design & Technology
<b>THE ARTS</b>	Drama Music Performance Music Visual & Media Arts	Drama Music Performance Music Technology Visual & Media Arts	Visual Arts - Art Visual Arts - Design Media Arts Drama Music Music Technology
<b>LANGUAGES</b>	Japanese	Japanese	Japanese
<b>HEALTH &amp; PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>	Football (Australian Rules) Football (Soccer) Health & Physical Education	Football (Australian Rules) Football (Soccer) Health & Physical Education	Building the Body Football (Australian Rules) Football (Soccer) Health & Physical Education Outdoor Education
<b>CROSS DISCIPLINARY STUDIES</b>			

Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Spirituality, Religion & Meaning	Philosophy Spirituality, Religion & Meaning	Philosophy Religion Studies Spirituality, Religion & Meaning
Essential Mathematics Extension, AC & General Mathematics Mathematics	Essential Mathematics General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics	Essential Mathematics General Mathematics Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics
Academic Extension Science Science	Biology Chemistry Earth & Environmental Science Nutrition Physics	Biology Chemistry Earth & Environmental Science Nutrition Physics
English Essential English	English English as an Additional Language English Literary Studies Essential English	English English as an Additional Language English Literary Studies Essential English
History: The Modern World & Australia Business Innovation Economics Geography Legal Studies Politics, Power & People	Accounting Business Innovation Certificate III in Business (BSB30115) Economics Geography Legal Studies Modern History Politics, Power & People	Accounting Business Innovation Certificate III in Business (BSB30115) Economics Legal Studies Politics, Power & People
Architectural Studies Digital Technologies Graphic Communication Material Solutions & Manufacturing	Graphic Communication Digital Technologies Architectural Studies Material Solutions Robotic & Electronic Systems	Graphic Communication Digital Technologies Architectural Studies Material Solutions
Drama Media Arts Music Visual Arts - Art Visual Arts - Design	Drama Media Studies Music Visual Arts - Art Visual Arts - Design	Drama Media Studies Music (Ensemble Performance) Music Explorations Music (Solo Performance) Music Studies Visual Arts - Art Visual Arts - Design
Japanese	Japanese	Japanese
Certificate III in Sport Coaching (SIS30713) Health & Physical Education Outdoor Education Football (Soccer)	Certificate III in Fitness (SIS30321) Health & Physical Education Health & Wellbeing Outdoor Education Physical Education	Certificate III in Fitness (SIS30321) Health & Physical Education Health & Wellbeing Outdoor Education Physical Education
Exploring Identities & Futures	Research Project Vocational Education & Training Workplace Practices	Research Project Vocational Education & Training Workplace Practices





# Co-curricular programs

Throughout their time at Blackfriars, boys have opportunities to further their learning and engagement through comprehensive electives and specialist programs and can immerse themselves in the full range of co-curricular activities on offer, including ranges of sports, music, and technology clubs.

We encourage all students to aspire to positions of leadership among their peers.

## Sports

- > Athletics
- > Badminton
- > Basketball
- > Cricket
- > Football
- > Lacrosse
- > Soccer
- > Squash
- > Swimming
- > Table Tennis
- > Tennis
- > Volleyball
- > Water Polo

## Clubs and Activities

- > Art and Media Club
- > Business Club
- > Chess
- > Debating
- > e-Sports
- > Music
- > Pedal Prix
- > Podcasting
- > Robotics Club
- > UN Youth Association





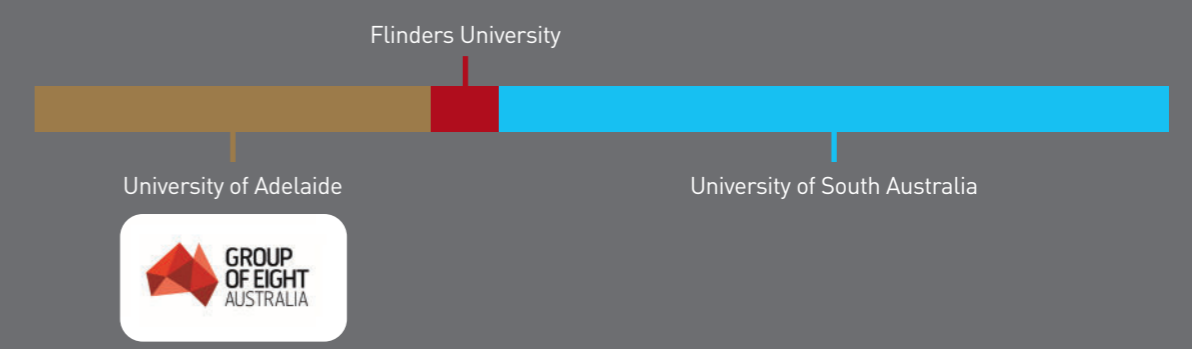
# Academic success

The success of Blackfriars educational programs is reflected in our end of year results. Over 90% of our international and local students are directly accepted into local and overseas universities. The foundation laid at Blackfriars makes for an easy transition to tertiary study with graduates pursuing a diverse range of undergraduate courses including Medicine, Science, Engineering, Law, Pharmacy, Business, Commerce, Finance and Marketing.

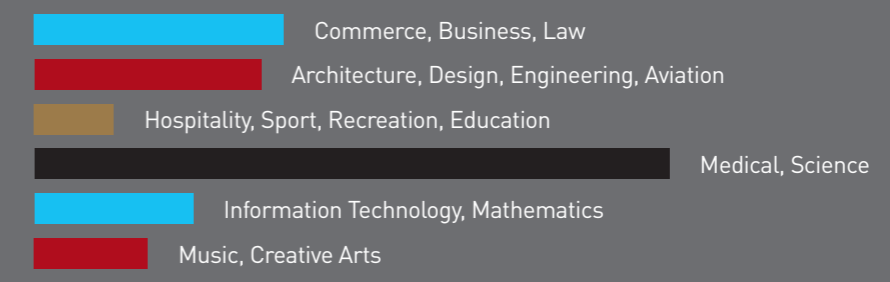
## 2021-22 SACE Results

- > 25% of eligible graduates achieved an ATAR above 90 placing them in the top 10% in Australia
- > 62% of eligible graduates placed in the top 25% in Australia
- > 99% of grades achieved in the top 3 bands
- > 100% SACE completion
- > 14 students received Merit Awards across 12 different subjects
- > 88% of graduates received first or second preference offers to university courses

## University Selection (by institute)



## University Selection (by discipline)







# Facilities

Blackfriars is situated on 4.5 hectares in Prospect, 3km from the centre of Adelaide and adjacent the city's northern parklands and Adelaide Aquatic Centre.

The school campus features beautiful lawns, gardens and outdoor spaces for students, playing fields and contemporary teaching and learning facilities including:

- > Gymnasium
- > Performing Arts Theatre
- > Library and Resource Centre
- > Student Wellbeing Centre
- > International Students' Lounge
- > Outdoor Classroom
- > Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics Centre
- > Creative Arts, Design & Technology Centre
- > Music Centre

Opening 2024

- > Cafe
- > Year 9 Centre
- > Virtual Reality Suite





# Student wellbeing

Blackfriars values a safe learning environment that nurtures the wellbeing of students and provides them with a place to achieve their optimum in all pursuits.

All Blackfriars students are allocated to a House where they meet and interact with students from other year levels and become involved in activities that promote friendly competition and cooperation.

Within their House, students are assigned a Home Group teacher who works closely with the student to provide academic and personal support.

Specialist counsellors are also available to assist students with specific personal matters, English language support and to provide advice about subjects and careers.

## **A home away from home**

The Blackfriars homestay program immerses international students in Australian culture by placing them with a carefully matched local family.

With their homestay family, students experience Australian family life and hospitality while receiving the support you expect from home in a safe and encouraging environment.

The homestay family is an integral part of the student's Blackfriars community. While the school Principal has ultimate responsibility for all students, our International Student Liaison Officer meets regularly with international students to monitor their academic progress, homestay arrangements and personal development.





Adelaide is a friendly, clean and safe city of approximately 1.3 million people. Adelaide enjoys a Mediterranean climate with temperatures of 15-20°C in winter months and 30-35°C in summer.

Blackfriars Priory School is located in the City of Prospect, 3km (5 minutes) from the centre of Adelaide. A Smart21 Community, Prospect is internationally recognised for its focus on economic development in the broadband economy.

Within a few minutes' walk of Blackfriars are Adelaide's expansive parklands, home to world class swimming facilities and well-maintained parks and playing fields.

Adelaide's pristine sandy beaches and picturesque foothills are less than 20 minutes from the school.

South Australia is home to six leading universities and is the only Australian state to have all its public universities listed in one or more of the three major international rankings.

The three public universities, the University of Adelaide, Flinders University and the University of South Australia, consistently rate highly in international rankings and student satisfaction surveys.

Adelaide is also home to CQUniversity's research hub and Torrens University Australia, the first new university established in Australia in more than 20 years.

The five universities have created and reinforced Adelaide's reputation as a true education hub.

A dynamic, vibrant city, Adelaide is world-renowned for its numerous arts and cultural festivals and is home to major sporting events throughout the year.





# Enrol

To learn more please visit [blackfriars.sa.edu.au](http://blackfriars.sa.edu.au)

For information about enrolling at Blackfriars, contact us directly via email at [registrar@bps.sa.edu.au](mailto:registrar@bps.sa.edu.au) or speak with an international education agent in your region.

## Enrolment

Application Fee	\$ 250	Payable on lodgement of Application for Enrolment
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## Annual Fees

Tuition (Years 7 to 10)	\$ 20,600	Junior Secondary Course (CRICOS Course Code: 096656K)
Tuition (Years 11 & 12)	\$ 23,800	Senior Secondary Course (CRICOS Course Code: 096657J)
SACE Fee (Years 11 & 12)	\$ 800	Includes exam fees and subject levies
Resource Fee	\$ 2,000	Includes capital levy, stationery pack, text book hire, ICT levy, annual school magazine, school photographs, excursions, education resources/subscriptions, student ID card, camps, retreats, formal*, graduation ring*, senior jacket*, graduation dinner* * provided at Year 12 ONLY
Vocational Education & Training	POA	For students selecting to undertake accredited VET courses under the Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) as part of their SACE

## English Language Intensive Course for Overseas Students (ELICOS)

Undertaken at Adelaide International School as required



EAP Course	\$ 450 to 550 pw	English for Academic Purposes (EAP) – Elementary to Advanced (CRICOS Course Code: 083251E)
Enrolment Fee	\$ 400	
Material Fee	\$ 40 pw	

## Homestay Fees

Placement Fee	\$ 350	
Weekly Homestay	\$ 310 pw	Paid direct to the Homestay provider Includes one private room, basic furniture, internet and daily meals
Security Bond	\$ 1,740	Held in trust by Blackfriars
Airport Transfers	\$ 130	Each way as required

## School Uniform

Starter Pack	POA	Includes Blackfriars short-sleeve shirt / long-sleeve shirt / shorts / trousers / jumper / blazer / hat / tie / grey summer socks / black winter socks / Physical Education kit / school bag Extra items can be purchased
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## Information Technology

All students are required to provide their own laptop computer or similar device. Specifications can be viewed at our website.

## Overseas Student Health Insurance

Standard Cover	POA	Blackfriars can arrange cover through our preferred provider, BUPA. Visit <a href="http://bupa.com.au/students">bupa.com.au/students</a> for full cover information
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