

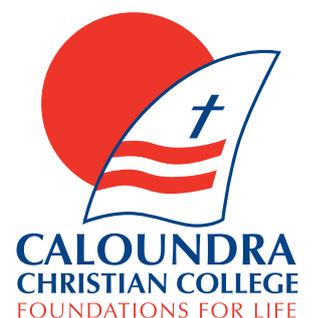
FOUNDATIONS FOR LIFE



Study Tours & Curriculum Courses

on Australia's beautiful Sunshine Coast

Caloundra Christian College Ltd. CRICOS Number: 01434K





A Message from the Principal



On behalf of our College, I extend to you a warm and sincere welcome.

Situated at the Gateway to the CBD of Caloundra City, Caloundra Christian College exists to provide quality education to families of the Sunshine Coast region. The College vision is to be the Sunshine Coast's leading provider of quality Christian education where staff and students flourish. Delivering that vision is a dedicated team of Christian teachers. They are highly qualified and motivated to provide a personally developed pathway for each learner.

Caloundra Christian College is a great school. We provide a quality, diverse curriculum that prepares our students to meet the challenges of both personal and community life. Speak to our families and you'll hear of the caring and supportive nature of our staff. Students benefit educationally when parents, students and teachers work in partnership, with Christ at the centre of each relationship.

One of the great privileges we have as educators is to see the growth that happens across the years in each child. Regularly, students who have graduated return to share something of their success in their years beyond school. In this way it is encouraging to see the fruit produced from seeds sown during their time at the College. This also acts as an inspiration to others.

I encourage you to explore further how Caloundra Christian College can assist your child in establishing strong foundations for their life and learning, especially as you contemplate Study Tours and an International Education experience for your child or school.

Yours in Christ
Mark Hodges

Welcome to our College



Primary Years (Prep- Year 6)

As students start Prep and formal learning, they enter a vibrant and creative environment. Our Prep classrooms are a mosaic of colour, shape, movement and sounds where foundations are laid for a life of learning.

Class activities are designed to build their identities as unique individuals, develop self-esteem and foster a love of independent and co-operative learning. There is ample opportunity for hands-on, inquiry learning and play-based problem solving.

Programs are designed to foster an atmosphere of community where all students are valued and positive social relationships established.

Features include:

- Air-conditioned modern classrooms and facilities
- Seeds of independent and active learning
- Richly resourced lessons
- Integration with Junior Primary
- Specialist-led classes in PE, Music and Japanese

Building on the Prep foundations, the Primary years (Years 1 - 6) begin to develop a systematic approach to education across all key learning areas. Classrooms and activities are child-centred, providing a balance between the academic, spiritual, social, cultural and physical journey of each child. Students have their own teacher for the core curriculum, with access to specialist teachers for Music, Physical Education and Japanese.

A well- resourced reading program and the teaching of phonics are tools to ensure the strength of literacy foundation. Maths, Science and History are like-wise, well resourced and delivered by a team of dedicated teachers.

The Arts and cultural diversity are embraced with many opportunities for cultural expression including weekly chapel and special events. The inclusion of violin lessons in Years 3 and 4 introduces students to a classical instrument in addition to the regular Music program. Instruction in a range of other musical instruments is also available.

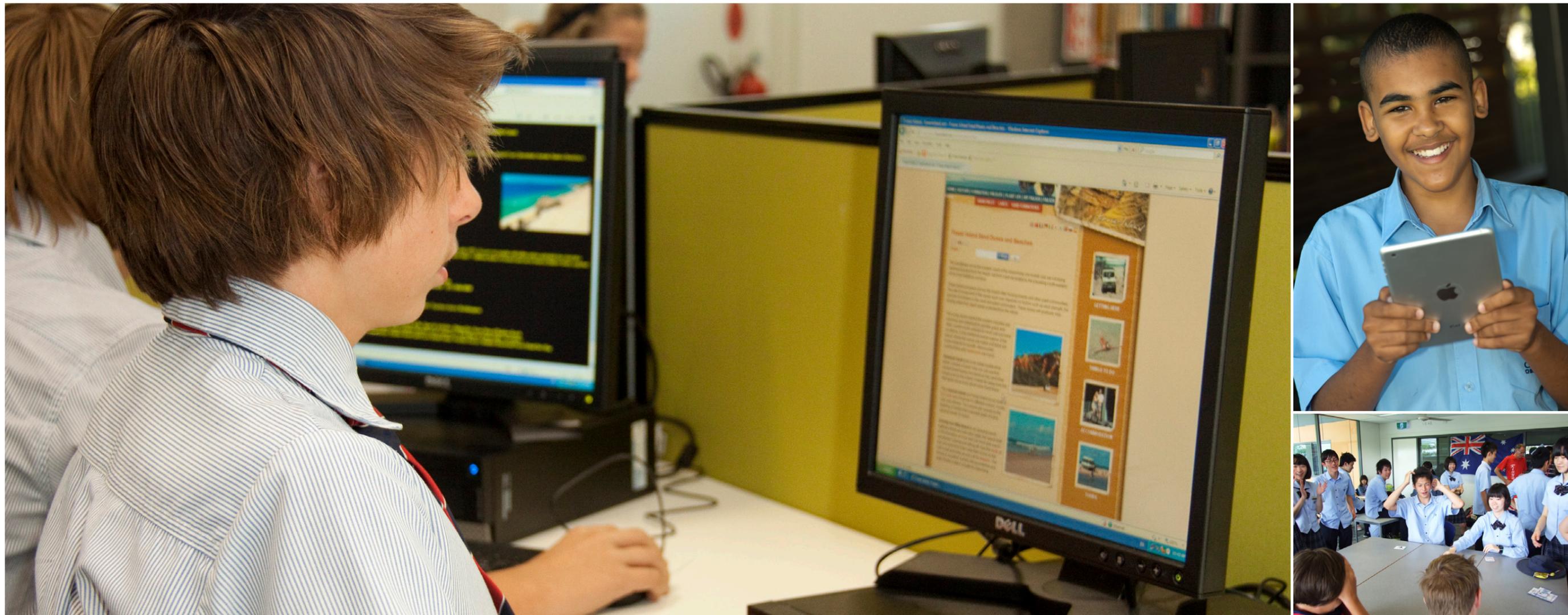
The importance of Information Technology in modern life is recognised and embraced. Students have access to computers, digital cameras and a range of other multi-media tools including

electronic whiteboards. These tools are utilised in a balanced way with proven, traditional approaches to deliver a sound educational foundation for life.

The following are some of the many features in Primary:

- Individual differences, developmental stages, learning rates and creative interests are recognised
- Building relationship skills and resilience
- Violin program in Years 3 and 4 for all students
- Progressive camp program to promote educational and social well-being

Inter-house carnivals are held in swimming, cross country and athletics and students enjoy a diverse engagement with independent schools through interschool sports for Years 4 - 6, debating, leadership day and a gifted and talented camp for Year 6.



Middle Years

Middle School bridges the gap between Primary and Senior schooling by offering a broad range of educational experiences that are interesting, engaging, challenging, relevant and fun. We are committed to lifelong learning and want to provide students with skills and processes for this through the implementation of a diverse curriculum, which not only addresses the “Essential Learnings” requirements, but also fosters a philosophy of making learning relevant and authentic.

Middle School offers a smooth transition for students from Primary to Senior School allowing for developmental phases as they take place. Caloundra Christian College was one of the first independent schools in the Sunshine Coast region to offer a dedicated Middle School program. Over time, a two-storey, architecturally designed, purpose built

facility has been constructed to provide a specialist-learning environment for students.

During these first years of secondary schooling each child is encouraged to discover his or her God-given potential. Students are directed in investigating a wide range of subjects, and in developing work and study habits in preparing for their Senior schooling years.

Students enjoy a varied curriculum of core subjects along with a wide range of electives. The latter enables students to make more informed decisions when making Senior School subject choices.

The Middle School program focuses on achievement in the academic, cultural and sporting arenas. The curriculum has been developed to reflect the

transition towards the Australian National Curriculum and is divided into two main categories: Core Subjects and Discovery Subjects. Recognising and celebrating such achievements builds community amongst the students.

The following subjects are studied by all Middle School students as core subjects:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Physical Education
- Studies of Society and the Environment
- Christian Studies

Our Discovery Subjects program is a very important element to providing a whole approach to education. Students need to partake in a number of different learning experiences so that they can make informed decisions regarding the

particular course they will follow throughout their schooling life. This may also lead to decisions that will have ramifications for their working future.

These subjects are:

- The Arts – Visual Art, Drama and Music
- Design and Technology – Industrial Skills
- Home Economics
- Languages Other Than English – Japanese
- Business and Computer Skills

Year 9 marks the beginning of student choice in their own education. While students will still be required to study the core subjects, from Year 9 onwards students have the opportunity to direct their own learning, with a view towards specialising in areas which may help create the best possible futures for themselves.



Senior Years

Caloundra Christian College offers a diverse Senior program which supports both academic and vocational curriculum streams as pathways of first choice. All Senior subjects are supported with an extensive program approved by the Queensland Studies Authority.

Preparing students for the future is the central focus of the Senior Secondary school. Our team of caring and professional educators nurture and guide each student through the senior phases of learning (Years 10 – 12). Our goal is to see senior students empowered in their learning whilst at the same time embracing their future pathways by building on the strong foundations for life and learning developed in the Primary and Middle School years.

Recognising that successful education is not just

measured in academic grades, Caloundra Christian College also offers school-based apprenticeships and traineeships that allow combined study at school with on-the-job training.

A comprehensive Vocational Educational program, commencing in Year 10 with a Certificate I in Workplace Education course, continues through embedded, nationally recognised qualifications at Certificate I and II level in: Hospitality, Business Administration and Information Technology Systems. The College maintains close links with employer and training organisations to further enhance employment opportunities for our seniors through traineeships and apprenticeships.

Senior student outcomes are further enhanced with opportunities to study at tertiary institutions within

their secondary access programs (e.g. Headstart at University of the Sunshine Coast).

Senior core subjects studied:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- Christian Studies
- Studies of Society and Environment

Senior Electives:

- The Arts – Drama, Music and Visual Art
- Design and Technology – Industrial Skills
- Home Economics and Hospitality Studies
- Languages Other Than English – Japanese
- Business Studies
- Computer Studies
- Physical Education

With a broader curriculum emphasis on Leadership Development, Peer Mentoring and Community

Service combined with an active Chapel and Student Welfare program, our senior students are actively engaged in preparing for an exciting future.

Engagement in a variety of extra curricular activities is particularly important for the development of self-esteem and a strong sense of belonging. At Caloundra Christian College students are presented with a wide range of extra curricular experiences designed to develop, challenge and inspire.

Various community based programs occur throughout the year with students encouraged to participate in response to the values of leadership and service. Programs include: 40 Hour Famine appeal, Compassion fundraising, Red Cross blood donation, and Commemoration events – ANZAC Day, Centaur Day and Remembrance Day.



Beyond the classroom

At Caloundra Christian College, we believe learning and personal growth extends beyond the classroom. We offer an exciting range of activities that cater for diverse abilities and interests, providing avenues for building friendships, life long interests, self-confidence and self-esteem.

Students who have special talent in a particular area are encouraged to participate in activities designed to foster and enhance their skills.

Music
Students have opportunity to develop and explore their musical interests. All Year 3 and 4 students undertake violin tuition at no additional cost. Private individual tuition is also available for a wide range of instruments. Students have the opportunity to join our Primary or Secondary choir or chapel bands.

Sport
We provide a wide range of individual and team sports through carnivals and interschool competitions. Students with outstanding sporting skills are encouraged to develop their talents through extra curricular training. Swimming lessons are provided for Primary students at no additional cost. The College encourages all students to participate fully in sporting activities both for enjoyment and personal fitness.

Camping
Caloundra Christian College has developed an extensive camping program to enhance each student's life skills. Commencing in Year 3, students have the opportunity to develop communication and teamwork skills, explore leadership and build life long friendships in a variety of exciting camps.

Art
Our annual art exhibition displays works from across the College. Parents and guests are invited to view the exhibition, traditionally scheduled during the fourth term each year.

Presentation Evening
Held in fourth term, this awards evening celebrates the achievements of Senior Secondary students across the areas of academia, sport, service, culture and leadership.

Drama and Musical
College Drama and Musical Production are staged each year with Students encouraged to become involved either as part of the cast, backstage crew or as audience members.



Homestay Program

Caloundra Christian College has been a leader in international education since 1995, both through our mainstream curriculum, and as a provider of cultural exchange and other learning programs.

Caloundra Christian College is selected by overseas parents for its Christian ethos, community spirit and excellent academic outcomes.

Our visitors (and local students and families) benefit from the College's homestay-based approach. Lasting friendships are formed and the learning journey extended to other cultural, networking and travel opportunities.

As a registered Commonwealth provider of education to overseas students, longer term

international students may be accommodated within our Queensland curriculum from Kindy to Year 12, receiving the same advantages as local students. Parents of students who are younger than 12 years of age would ordinarily be expected to accompany their child/ren. Please refer to www.immi.gov.au for information regarding guardian visa applications.

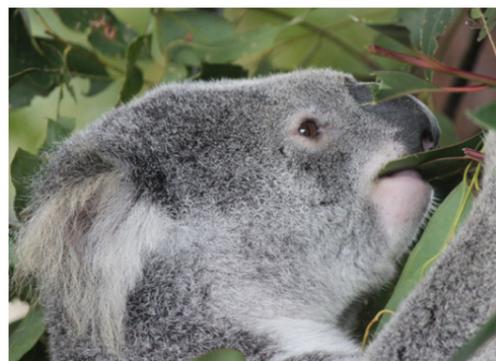
Homestay is the single most important factor in successful academic and personal outcomes for most school age international students.

Careful selection of a supportive family, and appropriate support to that family ensure that the visiting student can focus effectively on their studies, without undue anxiety. In nearly all cases

a bond is formed which lasts well beyond time spent together in Caloundra.

This bond is due to the significant personal development that young people experience in coming to Australia and challenging their own cultural or social boundaries, developing independence etc. Host family members' self-awareness and development is also enriched through the process.

Guidance and support from experienced College staff is readily available 24 hours, and language and cultural support is never far away thanks to a well-established network of international education professionals.



Experiences

Australia Zoo

Australia Zoo is located on Queensland's beautiful Sunshine Coast. Just twenty minutes west of Caloundra, it is home to some of Australia's most unique and amazing wildlife, as well as some remarkable animals from overseas.

Your visit to the Home of The Crocodile Hunter will definitely thrill and amaze you! Watch a croc strike from the water's edge, take a camel ride, have your photograph taken with a koala, discover the beauty of Bengal Tigers, and watch an Andean Condor fly in the amphitheatre. A visit to Australia Zoo is a highlight for all our international students.



Enjoy Australian Tucker

Enjoy mouthwatering Damper cooked in a Camp Oven. Camp Ovens were used in the early settler's days as a main cooking facility in all outback cooking. Hot coals from the Camp Fire are shoveled underneath and on top of the Oven, and the food is cooked slowly inside, creating a very special delicious flavour. Students will be able to enjoy a wide variety of cuisine including world-famous Australia Lamingtons, which consists of sponge cake dipped in chocolate and liberally sprinkled with fine desiccated coconut, toasted marshmallows and a great Aussie BBQ are also among the highlights our international students enjoy.



Queensland Art Gallery

Queensland's premier visual arts institution, the Queensland Art Gallery and Gallery of Modern Art connects people and art through a dynamic program of Australian and International exhibitions showcasing works from a diverse range of historical and contemporary artists. QAGOMA houses a significant collection of more than 13,000 Australian and International paintings, sculptures, decorative art objects, multimedia installations and works on paper. In addition to presenting exclusive international blockbuster exhibitions, including The 'Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art', focused exclusively on contemporary art of Asia and the Pacific.



Surf Awareness

The Sunshine Coast are surrounded by some of the most beautiful beaches in the world. International students enjoy many activities and social time at the beach. They will also learn valuable ocean skills and what to do if you get into trouble in the water. Students visit a local Surf Lifesaving Club where they learn about the surf environment, types of waves and their dangers, identifying rips and surf hazards and how to avoid them. They learn how to choose a safe swimming location and develop skills in swimming, bodysurfing, floating and treading water. A highlight for many international students are the learn to surf lessons.



Short Term English Language & Immersion Programs (1-12 Weeks)

For 20 years Caloundra Christian College has enjoyed hosting, designing and coordinating international short-term study experiences for a wide range of student tourists. Most commonly East Asian school groups have come to the Sunshine Coast, as they do many parts of Australia, for English language immersion, cultural experience, meeting new friends and enjoying coastal, sunshine-filled tourist activities. But we have had, and continue to have, our share of Western and Eastern Europeans as well as the United States too!

Along the journey, our own College and local community has benefited hugely from interacting with our visitors; so much so that recognition of the value of creating relationships with overseas students has become entrenched in the CCC outlook and identity. Our homestay families, accommodation model is best-practice thanks to our outstanding network of supportive, genuine Australian family hosts.

We have a team of motivated support staff for international groups – coordinators, homestay, TESOL qualified and Queensland registered teachers, language support – as well as student leaders and even past student volunteers who relish in the opportunity to interact and engage with visiting students from overseas. In recent years, our considerable experience has been utilised in other Sunshine Coast schools to enable them to run well-delivered programs under CCC guidance.

If you are an overseas student, parent, school representative or agent wanting to make an enquiry about our short-term program opportunities, including 'Study Tours' and 'English Immersion', please contact the International Program Manager by emailing overseas@calcc.qld.edu.au or call +61 7 5436 6777 between UTC/GMT 10.00pm and 6.00am Monday to Friday.

Long Term (Queensland) Curriculum Courses

Caloundra and the broader Sunshine Coast's "Point of Difference" advantages to International Students continue to grow. For school age students, particular features are:

1. Deeper Immersion in English Language due to a high local per-capita ratio of native speakers.
 - Most other Australian education "hubs" have far greater prevalence of foreign speaking and cultural enclaves. Whilst this can be an enriching opportunity for a young adult (exposure to diversity, social skills development etc.), high school and younger age students benefit far more by

assimilating "one step at a time"; keeping their focus on their studies and on developing English Language skill in order to maximise future study and employment opportunities. In a nutshell, the cities are best left for tertiary and more mature students!

2. Vibrant, competitive, and numerous Schools' Sector Education providers - both privately and State government operated. Academic outcomes from established schools such as Caloundra Christian College are always improving.

- Fitness, Health, Safety & Lifestyle
- Fresh locally produced foods
- A large enough population centre to ensure a broad range of imported products
- Very low crime rate
- No manufacturing or mining industry so clean air and water,
- Beach/outdoor culture
- Family-oriented community

For more than 20 years, Caloundra Christian College has provided three broad curriculum courses to international students, with continuing excellent outcomes (100% of Senior international students over the past 4 years have gone on to study at Universities). Applications for the following CRICOS registered courses are assessed according to merit:

- Primary School (1-6) – CRICOS Course No.053495M
- Junior Secondary (7-9) – CRICOS Course No.053496K
- Senior Secondary (10-12) – CRICOS Course No.053497J

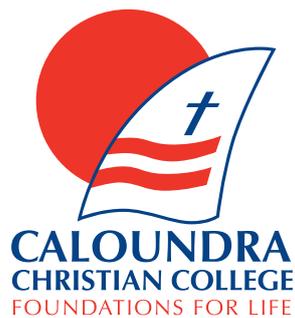
The above courses are delivered face to face on the College campus at 7 Gregson Place, Caloundra, Queensland. Course assessment methods are consistent with Education in Queensland. More detailed information can be accessed in the Information and Policies for International Students booklet via www.calcc.qld.edu.au.

As an international student you will live with an Australian family for the duration of your stay. By choosing to study at Caloundra Christian College, you will benefit from:

- Broad curriculum
- Kindergarten to Year 12 students are located on the same 8 acre site
- Sporting ovals, landscaped gardens and basketball courts
- New and recently constructed facilities including: library & lecture theatre, dance studio, large middle school building, well-designed tuckshop & social area/deck, state-of-the-art hospitality teaching and industrial kitchen facility
- Wide range of watersports opportunities
- Wi-Fi classrooms throughout
- Excellent mentoring and support toward University selection and entrance.



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