International Homestay

At St Leonard’s College, all international students - regardless of their age - are required to live with a College-approved homestay. Students who do not reside with a family member or an approved guardian will be matched with a homestay family from the College’s network of homestay families, which includes alumni, members of staff, past parents and the families of current students.

We believe that the combination of our outstanding pastoral care system, extensive cocurricular offering, rich academic programs and the strength of the homestay family’s relationship will empower international students at St Leonard’s College to achieve their personal best, not only academically but socially, emotionally, physically and spiritually.

Our homestay parents are committed to providing students in their care with a safe, connected, loving and supportive ‘home away from home’ and will treat the student as a member of their family. In addition to providing them with a comfortable private room with an appropriate study space, access to the internet, breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks, homestay parents will support students by attending school-related functions and events, involve their homestay student in all aspects of family-life and treat them respectfully.

Equally important is the need for our international students to strive to become a member of their homestay family. In addition to adhering to family rules and obligations, students are encouraged to discuss issues they encounter and to mix with their homestay family as they as they would with their family at home. The greater their involvement, the more comfortable and connected they will become; a connection we believe will last for a lifetime.

For further details of the College’s Homestay Program and the fees associated therewith, please refer to our International Student Fees and Charges brochure.