

The Homestay Times

International Program - Elanora State High School

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MONTHLY NEWS



WELCOME TO TERM 2



International Student Event Highlights – April 2026

Sharing the Vibe!



Burleigh Heads

Our students love spending time at Burleigh Heads, one of the most beautiful beaches on the Gold Coast. Safe, fun, and full of life, it's the perfect place to relax, swim, and enjoy the vibrant coastal atmosphere while making great memories with friends. With its stunning views and welcoming community vibe, it truly captures the best of the Australian beach lifestyle.



EASTER weekend

Our students enjoyed quality time with their host or natural parents, experiencing local traditions and making special memories together. From chocolates and festive treats to lazy afternoons and beach outings, it was a wonderful opportunity to relax and feel at home. These shared moments help create meaningful connections and a true sense of belonging during their stay.



Saying Goodbye

In April, we said farewell to some of our students as they completed their time with us. It's always a bittersweet moment, as we celebrate their journey while knowing how much they will be missed by their host families and school community. The friendships, memories, and experiences they've created will stay with them long after they leave, and we wish them all the very best for what's ahead.



ANZAC DAY

Our school community came together for our ANZAC ceremony. It was a deeply moving occasion as we paused to pay our respects to the ANZACs and to all those who have served, and continue to serve, our country. Our students were exceptionally respectful throughout the ceremony. Our Stage Band was an absolute stand out!



Outback

Some of our students had the incredible opportunity to visit the Australian outback, exploring the stunning desert landscapes around Uluru. This unforgettable experience gave them a deeper appreciation of Australia's unique environment and rich cultural heritage.



Upcoming & notes



Term 2

It's been a great start to the term, Clear routines, calm classrooms, high expectations and positive relationships are setting students up to be respectful, responsible and engaged.

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Free activities

During the April school holidays, students have enjoyed time exploring the surroundings with their host families, visiting parents, or friends. Great time tcreating more amazing memories !!

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E-Bike RULES

E-bikes in Queensland must follow standard bike rules—helmets are required, licence will be needed by July 2026. Riding safely, following road rules, and using compliant bikes is expected at all times. Our school is reinforcing these expectations through regular reminders and clear guidelines for students who ride to school.

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Elanora is Sustainable

Since 2021, our school community has made a significant impact through our recycling programs, diverting large amounts of waste from landfill, We are very grateful for the continued support in making our school more sustainable. Every small action adds up to a big difference.

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Let's stay informed & connected

The goal of this newsletter is to bring everyone together & be part of the students' life — keeping our host families, student's natural parents, and overseas agents as excited as our students are. We're proud to share with you the many wonderful opportunities the students are experiencing during their program, here at Elanora State High School, Gold Coast. Have questions, feedback, or ideas? Reach out to us! We're always happy to listen, support, and celebrate the achievements of our school community. Your input helps us make each month even better!

During the month of April, families shared many fun and reconnecting moments with both current and former students. Thank you for sending your photos and updates!

For our next newsletter, please share your moments with us! We would love to hear your stories, photos, or achievements for a chance to be featured in the next issue. Your experiences inspire our community and help everyone feel connected. We would be delighted to receive a photo and story to share!

Thank you for reading!



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