



Accommodation for International Students

According to the Code of Practice, students under 10 years of age must live with a parent/legal guardian, unless they are accommodated in an approved school hostel.

International students aged 10–17 years must:

- live with a parent or legal guardian
- be in the care of a residential caregiver
- be in a **group** of properly supervised students (whose educational instruction is less than 3 months).

Living with parents

When a child is living with their parent(s), the school:

- asks for the child's birth certificate and passport, and the parents' passports
- compares the identification documents and checks passport photos
- checks and records the parents' passport visa/permit dates to ensure that they end after the student's period of enrolment (if not, the expiry date is noted and parents are required to supply renewal details at the appropriate time)
- monitors the continued presence of parents and has processes in place to cover unexpected parental absences.

Student communication with parents

If a young international student is not living with their parents, we help the student maintain regular contact with their parents.

- Students are able to have weekly contact with their parents (e.g. phone calls, online chat, online video calls).
- We will increase contact with parents as necessary, e.g. if the child is sick, or if something has happened at home.
- Students can make their calls in private but a record of contact (e.g. calls, Skype) is kept to monitor the regularity of contact, and the effect of the contact on the student's wellbeing.
- If a student is reluctant to contact their parents, or is distressed after making contact, or if there are any other problems making contact, the designated person for pastoral care will be informed.

We will agree on a process for paying for calls with the student's parents.