



HOMESTAY OPPORTUNITY INFORMATION 2026

Residential Caregiver – \$1000 per term

A Residential Caregiver for an international student at St Andrew's College provides a safe, supportive, and welcoming home environment that promotes the student's wellbeing and successful adjustment to life in New Zealand. Acting as a "home-away-from-home," the caregiver supports the student's emotional, social, and cultural development while encouraging independence and positive daily routines.

- Key roles and responsibilities include providing accommodation and meals, ensuring the student's health and safety, and maintaining regular communication with the College and the student's family. Caregivers also support the student in engaging with school life and the wider community, helping them feel included and settled.
- Practical responsibilities include welcoming the student on arrival and picking up and dropping off at the airport, transporting the student to and from medical appointments such as doctor or hospital visits, and caring for the student when they are unwell. Caregivers may also host the student during weekends or school breaks when required, ensuring continuity of care and support.
- Overall, the residential caregiver plays a vital role in creating a stable, caring environment that enables the student to thrive both academically and personally.

Holiday Homestay – \$400 per week/\$60.00 per night

A School Holiday Homestay for an international student from St Andrew's College provides a safe, caring, and supportive environment during school holiday periods when the student is not in their regular accommodation. The homestay family offers a welcoming "home-away-from-home" experience, ensuring the student's well-being, comfort, and sense of belonging while school is closed.

- The role includes providing accommodation, meals, and supervision, as well as supporting the student's health and safety. Homestay hosts may help organise or include the student in family activities, outings, and cultural experiences, encouraging engagement and helping the student feel connected to the local community.
- They may also assist with practical needs such as transport, looking after the student if they become unwell, and maintaining communication with the College if required. Overall, the school holiday homestay plays an important role in ensuring continuity of care, positive experiences, and a supportive environment for the student during school breaks.

Full-time Homestay – \$400 per week

A Full-time Homestay for an international student at St Andrew's College provides a consistent, safe, and supportive living environment throughout the school year. The homestay family acts as the student's primary caregiver, offering a stable and caring environment where the student is supported in their daily routines, well-being, and adjustment to life in New Zealand.

- The role includes providing accommodation, nutritious meals, and supervision, while ensuring the student's health, safety, and emotional wellbeing. Homestay parents support the student's academic progress by encouraging good study habits and maintaining



communication with the College. They also help the student integrate into family life, participate in social and cultural activities, and develop independence and confidence.

- In addition, homestay caregivers assist with practical responsibilities such as transportation to school or appointments when needed, caring for the student if they are unwell, and maintaining regular contact with the student's family and the College. Overall, a full-time homestay plays a vital role in providing ongoing care, stability, and a positive living experience that supports the student's success both academically and personally.

Emergency Homestay – \$100 per night

An Emergency Homestay for an international student at St Andrew's College provides short-term, immediate accommodation and care in situations where a student is unable to remain in their usual boarding or homestay placement. This may occur if the student is unwell and needs to leave boarding for recovery, or due to unforeseen circumstances requiring a temporary relocation.

- The emergency homestay acts as a bridging placement, offering a safe, stable, and supportive environment while longer-term arrangements are being confirmed. The host family provides accommodation, meals, supervision, and attentive care, including supporting the student's health and well-being during illness or periods of disruption.
- Caregivers may assist with transportation to medical appointments, ensure the student is comfortable and monitored while recovering, and maintain communication with the College and relevant staff. Overall, the emergency homestay plays a crucial role in ensuring continuity of care, safety, and reassurance for the student during unexpected or transitional situations.

Please contact Director of International Students and Exchanges, Palē Tauti, at PTU@stac.school.nz for more information.