Study Abroad High School

**Gold Coast** 

# **Annandale** State School

Address: Yolanda Dr and Oleander St, Annandale, Townsville QLD

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Phone: +617 4729 5111 Year established: 1998 Number of students: 700

Annandale State School is a large school for Prep to Year 6 students, located in a suburb in the heart of tropical Townsville and close to shopping, parks and sporting facilities.

Our motto is 'Creating the Future', and we balance academic studies with music, sport and learning support.

We value good manners and pride in ourselves and our school, and we welcome parents being involved.

Our school curriculum is based on the Australian Curriculum and utilises C2C (Curriculum to Classroom) resources.

The Speech Sound Pics approach is used to teach reading, writing and spelling in the early years.

We also use the Seven Steps to Writing Success program to support students in the development of their writing skills.

A native Chinese-speaker teaches Chinese (Mandarin) to students in Years 3 to 6.

All students participate in a music lesson each week, and Years 3 to 6 can choose to learn to play an instrument and sing in a choir.

Annandale is a feeder school to the local state high school - William Ross State High School.

In 2022, 122 international students enrolled at Annandale State School.





## Special programs

- Seven Steps to Writing Success
- The Speech Sound Pics approach is used to teach reading, writing and spelling in the early years
- EALD support program with TESOL trained staff member
- Learning support programs
- Special education program
- Excursions to support the curriculum in Prep and Years 1, 2 and 3
- School camps to support the curriculum in Years 4, 5 and 6
- IMPACT (extension programs through the School of Distance Education)

### Extracurricular activities

- Inter-school sport program across the year 3 Seasons of Sport (rugby league, hockey, netball, tennis, rugby union, soccer, touch football, Australian Football League, cricket, tee-ball, basketball)
- Senior and junior choir
- Instrumental music program: strings (Years 3–6), and woodwind, brass and percussion (Years 4-6)
- Concert bands, orchestra ensembles
- Opti-MINDS creative problem solving event, Lego competition
- Life education
- Swimming for Years 2 and 3
- Challenge Games sports for students living with a disability
- Eisteddfod performance competition
- Student council activities

#### School facilities

- Air-conditioned
- Large school oval
- Modern play equipment
- Six computer labs
- Modern library/resources centre

## Languages

- A native Chinese-speaker teaches Mandarin Chinese to Years 3-6
- Annual Confucius Institute Speaking competition in conjunction with William Ross State High School

