



Around the grounds

Statements from the leaders at Balmoral State High School.

"Explore Balmoral's diverse programs for personal excellence, highlighting rich academic, vocational, and co-curricular activities. Discover pathways to success, fuelled by our commitment to ignite excellence in every student"

Principal, Timothy Barraud

"Open Day is one of my favourite days of the school year to meet the wider community and show off the great work we do. In 2025, I'm excited to talk with families about their interests and what we have to offer at Balmoral"

**Deputy Principal,
Kellie Baumgart**

"Open day is a celebration of the many ways we inspire excellence. We welcome our community into our school and its many world class facilities to see the multitude of opportunities available to our students. Enjoy the opportunity to engage with current students and teachers in how we interact each day with our values of Agency, Belonging and Innovation"

**Deputy Principal,
Mick Baker**

"Our world class educators and outstanding students can't wait to see you at this year's Balmoral State High School Open Day.

Come and see how our innovative academic programs and extra curricular opportunities inspire excellence in our students every day!"

**Deputy Principal,
Shane O'Malley**

"Open Day is a chance for families to explore the exceptional opportunities Balmoral offers—from our Football, Netball, and Music Academies to our Engineering and Aviation programs.

The afternoon gives future students a first-hand look at where they'll be challenged, engaged, and inspired to reach their full potential.

I look forward to welcoming you and sharing the exciting learning journey that begins here"

**Head of Junior Schooling,
Ashley Boyd**

A group of students in school uniforms are posed outdoors. In the foreground, two girls in white short-sleeved shirts with dark green collars and dark green skirts are sitting on a low wall, smiling at the camera. They are wearing white socks and black shoes. To their left, another student in a dark green jacket is partially visible, looking towards them. Behind them, a boy in a dark green blazer and striped tie stands, smiling. To his right, another boy in a dark green blazer and striped tie stands. On the far right, a boy in a dark green polo shirt is sitting. The background is filled with large green plants and a light-colored wall.

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Dear Students, Parents, Families and Friends,

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to you for joining us on our Open Day. This is an invaluable opportunity to witness firsthand our unwavering dedication to student growth and a multitude of pathways.

Founded in 1958, Balmoral boasts a rich legacy, blending tradition with a forward-looking approach to learning, ensuring every student realizes tangible opportunities, outcomes and futures.

At Balmoral, we inspire a culture of personal excellence. During your visit you will have the opportunity to observe a broad range of subject-related activities and simulated learning experiences we offer as a school.

I am confident that students will be excited by the extensive range of subject and pathway offerings, inclusive of a range of academic and vocationally-oriented subjects.

In addition, I invite you to familiarise yourself with our Academies, such as our dynamic Music Academy, Football Academy, Netball Academy and our latest, Gateway Academy.

As a proud Aviation school, we celebrate two decades of partnership with Boeing, culminating in a myriad of innovative projects aligned with the Horizon Project for year 7 students.



Principal Welcome



Our commitment to community integration and inclusive practices underscores our ethos. With a legacy of excellence and student achievement spanning curricular and co-curricular realms, we take pride in nurturing well-rounded individuals.

From our distinguished Alumni to our current students who embody our values of Agency, Belonging and Innovation, we prioritise holistic development across intellectual, social, physical and cultural domains.

Through our core values, we instil a sense of responsibility, foster independence and cultivate self-discipline, empowering students to unlock

their full potential. Choosing the right secondary school for your student can be a very complex and challenging task. It is important that you are satisfied with your choice.

If you would like to visit us again to see our incredible school in action on a school day or to talk further, please contact me, I will be delighted to organise this for you. I look forward to meeting as many students and parents throughout this significant school event.

Yours sincerely,
Timothy Barraud - Principal

Join us on an exciting journey - the education of your child - our future

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Why choose our school?

Our STEM facilities and programs are second to none, providing pathways to careers in chemistry, physics, aerospace science, engineering, biomedical, forensic science, medicine and allied health. Our new innovation space offers state of the art laboratories and learning spaces for inquiry based experiential learning with the full range of Information Communication Technology (ICT) resources.

Wireless connectivity is provided throughout the school. Students are required to participate in our Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program to enhance their learning.

In addition to a broad range of core academic subjects - English, Humanities, Languages, Health and Physical Education- Balmoral State High School is renowned for its innovative and vibrant Arts faculty, offering: Film, Television and New Media, Visual Art, Instrumental Music, Music, Dance and Drama.

Vocational education students complete Certificate I to IV and Diploma qualifications and through our significant partnerships, are able to undertake school-based traineeships and apprenticeships in areas such as; Business, IT and Multimedia, Construction, Engineering, Retail and Fashion.

Our gifted and talented programs include: The Boeing Enterprise Team, Music Extension, Football Academy, Music Academy, Netball Academy and Horizons Academy.

Our award winning International Program provides education and cultural experience to students from all over the world. We believe that future citizens of the world will require global understanding and this is fostered through interaction with students from differing cultural backgrounds.



Our Excellence Programs

Explore the Excellence Programs at Balmoral State High School. Learn about our Football Academy, where students receive high-quality coaching and training. Visit our Music Academy to see how we cultivate young musicians with dedicated instruction and performance opportunities.

Discover the Netball Academy, focused on developing skills and teamwork in aspiring netball players. Our Horizons Academy offers enriched academic programs for high-achieving students, providing advanced learning opportunities.

Come and see how our specialised academies support student growth and success at Balmoral State High School to achieve our goal of Inspiring Excellence.

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Teacher Voice



"English at Balmoral is all about capturing students' attention, inspiring their imaginations and sparking their intellectual curiosity. We celebrate their emergence as confident contemporary communicators. Visitors to our stall at Open Day can expect lively interaction, arty story activities and speech bubble games. Enjoy!"

English HOD, Nick Howard

"Our Humanities teachers are focused on building skills that will empower learners to become responsible, active and informed global citizens for the future by understanding societies, cultures and developments that have shaped the world."

Humanities HOD, Emma Hart

"Join us for Open Day where we get to explore the wonders of mathematics together. Come meet our wonderful staff and participate in engaging activities, interactive games and solve puzzles. Maths is not just about numbers – it's about curiosity, problem-solving, and endless possibilities"

Maths HOD, Narelle Gunner

"In Technologies, we work together with our students to create an environment of continual learning through the exploration and development of ideas to solve 21st century problems. Students enjoy participating in individual and collaborative challenges to assist in developing their knowledge, understanding and skills in fields of Aerospace, Design, Engineering, Industrial Technology, Fashion and Hospitality."

Technologies HOD, David Witt

"At Balmoral State High School, diversity and inclusion energises our learners' futures-oriented pathways securing quality outcomes for all students. Inclusion paves the way. Differentiation opens doors. Acceptance creates choices and opportunities for a future where all students thrive regardless of background and abilities."

Inclusion HOD, Mitchell Johnson

"We are excited to meet our present and future families this coming Open Day. Our dedicated student wellbeing support team is an integral part of this vibrant and dynamic school community. As Guidance Officers, we are eager to continue building relationships and contribute to the continued success of our students."

Guidance Officer, Helen Martschinke

"Delve into Balmoral's diverse science programs, showcasing robust academic, research and hands-on experimental activities. Discover pathways to innovation, driven by our commitment to ignite scientific curiosity and mastery in every student"

Science HOD, Lauren Tull

"At Balmoral, our teachers are strongly focused on developing a school culture that engages young people as active learners. To achieve this, we draw on evidence-based research that recognises to participate fully in their own learning, students need to first understand what engagement looks and feels like. In our classrooms. Teachers talk with students about the different levels of engagement required to access the best from the curriculum and themselves."

Pedagogy HOD, Zena Carusi-Lees



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*“Boeing builds the
leaders of tomorrow
as we work in teams
to tackle exciting, real-
world problems.”*

- Boeing Students

PRINCIPAL ADDRESS & STUDENT P

SCIENCE & ECO-MARINES

iG06

Spark the scientist within as you explore activities such as the 'Screaming Spoons' and Flame tests! You can also see the amazing work of our Balmoral SHS Ecomarines; all in iG06!

MATHEMATICS

iG01

Come and participate in engaging activities, interactive games and solve puzzles relating to Maths.

ARTS

iG02/3

Explore the amazing work of our most creative students and staff in our Arts Hub.

Enjoy the musical talents of our small ensembles throughout the afternoon.

ENGLISH

i104

Visitors to our English department can expect lively interaction, arty story activities and speech bubble games.

JAPANESE

i108

Fold, draw, and make paper come alive with us by learning the Japanese art of origami and shodou.

TECHNOLOGIES

i102/103

FOOD & FIBRE

Make your senses come alive with marshmallows and citrus fruit sensory evaluations.

FASHION

Embroidery machine display and demonstrations throughout the afternoon.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGIES

See how we use 3D printing to generate and create a range of products.

HUMANITIES

i105/107

BUSINESS

See yourself as a future CEO or entrepreneur? Come and test your skills with our business challenges.

GEOGRAPHY

Let's build a city! Find out about how our students are developing the cities of tomorrow.

HISTORY

Try your hand at archaeological excavation and enjoy the treasures you discover.

AVIATION & ENGINEERING

i101

Calling all future engineers and aviators: drone flying, bridge building and testing

ANEL: 3:30PM & 4:30PM Q BLOCK

EXCELLENCE PROGRAMS

iG04 BOEING

Balmoral State High School is the only school in Queensland to offer an Excellence Program that forges real-world problem-solving skills with the expertise and assistance of Boeing Australia. Come and see the work of our students to tackle issues like: Moon Habitation, Space Junk and Skins design for Unmanned Drones.

DEBATING

QDU debating is one of our gifted and talented programs in the school that includes students from Year 7 right up to Year 12. Come and hear all about the debating fun!

HORIZONS

Horizons Academy is our Year 7 introduction to real-world problem solving for our gifted and talented students. Come and see our work with local and national organisations to address issues for which they are seeking fresh ideas.

TWILIGHT BAR

Q BLOCK KIOSK

Join Hospitality, Business & Japanese for a traditional Osaka Okonomiyaki event! Enjoy tasty street food, cultural vibes, and community fun.

ACCESS CENTRE

OUTSIDE B BLOCK

The Access Centre supports students with diverse learning needs through personalised programs, dedicated staff, and inclusive practices—ensuring every student has the tools, confidence and care to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

WELLBEING TEAM

ENTRANCE, STUDENT SERVICES, Outside iBlock WALKWAY

Be welcomed by our Balmoral SHS student support team with apple slinkies, yard games, a music speaker, brochures, parenting tips, transition to high school, mental health resources, Homestay information, IT Support and the uniform store.

FIRST NATIONS

Experience a range of First Nation experiences at Balmoral including wooden hand print painting, Deadly Choices information, our murals and staff shirts.

HOMESTAY

Balmoral's International Homestay Program provides a service of safe and supportive home environments for international students. We also help students to settle into Australian life, improve their English, and build lifelong connections while studying in a caring and inclusive school community.

HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

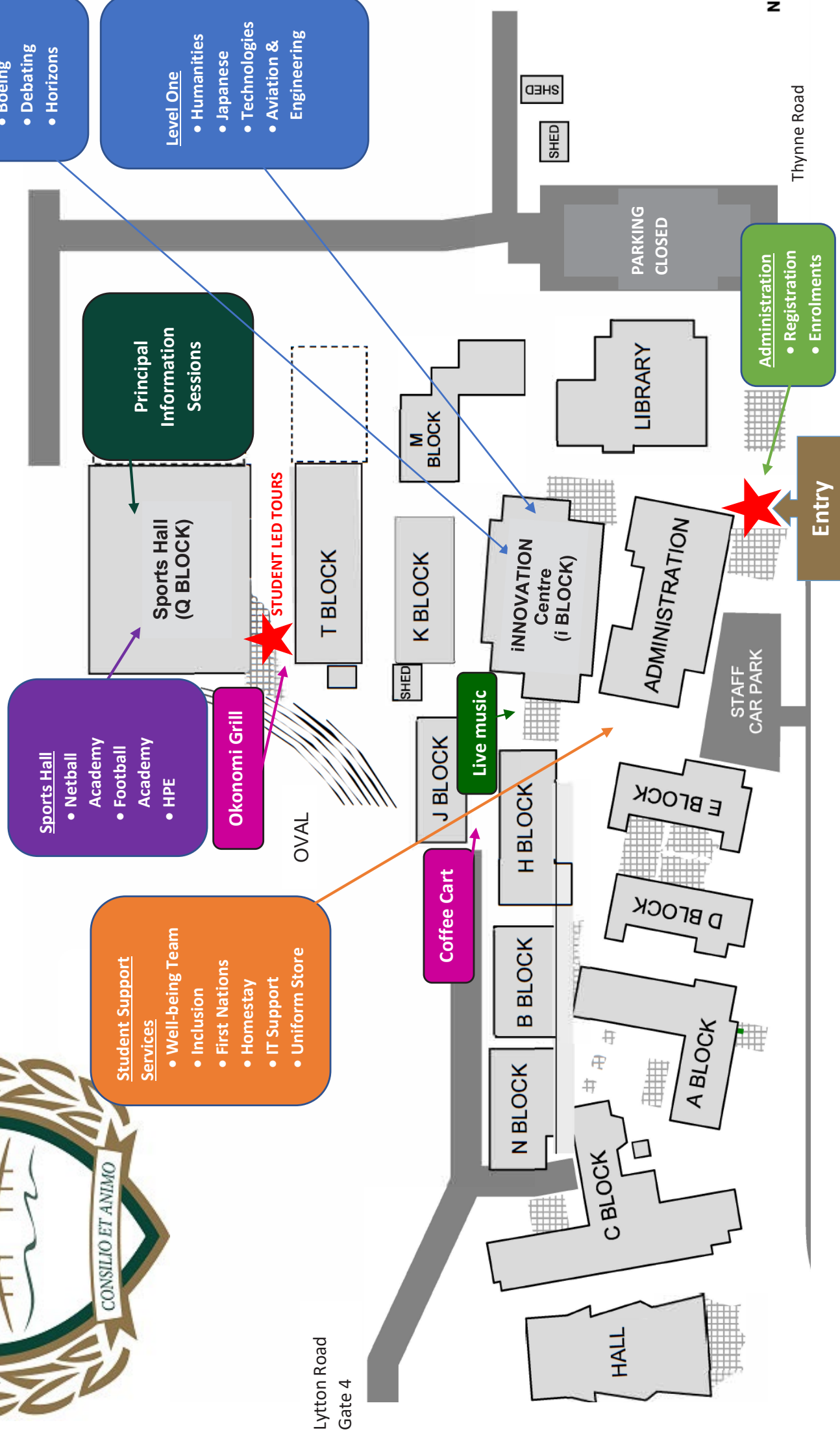
SPORTS HALL & OVAL

It's time to test yourself against the best! Take on the Bungie Run with our HPE teachers, Shoot it out with our Football Academy, and Test your skills with Perry and our Netball Academy! There are prizes to be won – so don't miss out!





OPEN DAY 2025





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Enrolment Process

All students, whose primary place of residence is within the school's catchment area are entitled to enrol at the school.

The Principal must restrict out of catchment enrolments to ensure in-catchment students can enrol at their local state school. Applications from students outside of catchment will be considered where vacancies are available.

Students who excel in academics, music or sports are encouraged to apply for an Excellence program. Students residing outside the school catchment may also apply for entry into the school through acceptance into one of the Excellence Programs.

How to Enrol - All Year groups 2025 & Year 7 2026

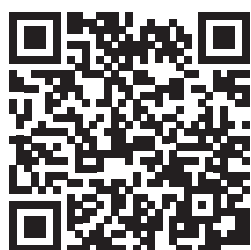
To enrol at Balmoral State High School we require a completed enrolment application form, together with the submission of enrolment agreement forms and supporting documentation. Please access our 'How to Enrol' page for more information.

Enrolments for Year 7 2027 & Beyond

Please complete the expression of interest form on the school website. Our enrolments team will be in touch to discuss the enrolment process with you when enrolments are open for that year cohort.

Enrolment Enquiries

For further enquiries please call our Enrolments Department on 3823 8526 or email: enrolments@balmoralshs.eq.edu.au



Scan Me!





“Horizons opens up new ways of seeing and doing that allow me to change the world around me.”

Horizons Student

