

Kaplan Aspect Cairns

Welcome to Kaplan Aspect Cairns. Located in the central business area only a short walk from major shopping facilities, our school features large brightly-lit, air-conditioned classrooms and two recreational areas: a café and bar outdoor balcony area and a spacious student common room with kitchen facilities. We offer excellent computer room facilities and wireless internet access throughout the building.

Cairns is a perfect destination located in north Queensland where students experience tropical weather all year round. Few places can rival the stunning scenery of rainforest meeting sparkling coral reefs. Cairns is a modern, sophisticated city with idyllic parkland and lagoon areas where students can relax and swim. The city caters to all tastes with international cuisine restaurants, markets for souvenirs and over 100 adventure tours including diving, sky diving, rafting and much more.

Cairns is a major tourist destination and all international visitors immediately feel welcome and at home in the city.



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CRICOS Provider Code: 00080F

Kaplan Aspect schools in Australia are accredited by the National ELT Accreditation Scheme.



School Facilities

Classrooms

The school has 24 air-conditioned, bright and spacious classrooms. All of the classrooms are fitted with desks, chairs and a whiteboard. There are also CD and cassette players, TV/DVDs and overhead projectors available for lessons.

Study Centre / Library

The school has an excellent study centre. All of the computers have software for guided study as well as free, high-speed internet access. The computers can be used in foreign languages.

Student Lounge

There are two large common rooms, an outdoor area with café and bar and an indoor room with a vending machine for coffee and drinks as well as microwaves for students' use.

Sports facilities

The Activities Co-ordinator can help with organising sports events. There are weekly activities scheduled including sports group, movie nights and restaurant nights.

Gym facilities

Students can join one of the many gyms in close proximity to the school for indoor sports and fitness training.

Social Programme

Kaplan Aspect's activities co-ordinator produces a monthly calendar of exciting social activities around Cairns.



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Kaplan Aspect Students

Your first day

On the first day of your course you need to report to reception at Kaplan Aspect Cairns at 7.45am. Your first day will be a Monday unless there is a designated holiday on the Monday - in which case your first day will be on the Tuesday. Your course will begin with a morning of testing and orientation which will include:

- Registration
- Introduction to the school
- A placement test to determine your English level
- Information about the school and area
- Have your first class in the afternoon

You will be assigned to the most appropriate class for your level of English.

You will need to bring all your Kaplan Aspect documents, your passport, a pen and paper for note-taking purposes and \$70 AUD for the book deposit with you on your first day.

Local Information

Transport - buses and trains

The school is close to numerous bus stops.
The best mode of transportation around Cairns is by bicycle.

Banks and Post Office

The school is located a short walk from the largest shopping area. Cairns Central Shopping Centre provides banks and post office - open Monday to Friday. Please remember to change money and cheques in banks.

Restaurants and cafés

The school is a short walk to the city centre where cafés and restaurants are available. The school also has it's own outdoor café.

Department stores and supermarkets

Cairns Central Shopping Centre has supermarkets and shops located within walking distance of the school. Supermarket meals are often an economical lunch option.

Telephone and Internet Café

You can access internet and e-mail from the school's computers free of charge. There is a public telephone located in the student room. Students are advised to purchase a phone card for long distance calls and to call on weekends and evenings as call rates are cheaper at those times.

Places of worship

There are places of worship of most religions and faiths in Cairns. You can get more information about religious institutions from the reception.

Cost of Living

Approximate prices in AUD

Food and drink

Sandwiches:	\$3.00 - \$5.00
Pizza / Pasta :	\$5.00 - \$10.00
Coffee/Tea:	\$3.50
Pub Meal:	\$10.00 - \$15.00

Tickets

Movies:	\$9.50
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Travel

Weekly bus pass:	\$50 (approx)
Monthly bus pass:	\$215 (approx)



Classroom



Entrance



Outdoor Café/Bar



Cairns is a great place for water sports.

Sample Activities Schedule

Please note that this is a sample programme and activities may change. See a current activities schedule at: www.kaplanaspect.com

Week one

Tuesday:	Movie Night
Wednesday:	Ten Pin Bowling
Thursday:	Wakeboarding
Friday:	School Party at Gecko's Bar
Saturday:	Weekend trip to Cape Tribulation

Week two

Tuesday:	Movie Night
Wednesday:	Sausage Sizzle
Thursday:	Rafting
Friday:	Friday night Karaoke
Saturday:	Weekend trip to Chillagoe Caves

The Team

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Principal: Trish Marshall
Trish is responsible for the management of the school and administrative staff. Trish shares the enthusiasm of staff and students in ensuring all students have a rewarding experience in Cairns. If you have any issues during your time at Kaplan Aspect Cairns, please come and talk to Trish.



Accommodation and Student Services Manager: Annette Baker
Annette is known as "Grandma" and endeavours to make each and every student's stay in Cairns as enjoyable as possible by hand picking all our wonderful host families.



Director of Studies: Beverley Simon
Beverley manages the teaching team and is responsible for the academic programmes and resources. She can help you if you have a question about your course or your studies.



Activities Coordinator: John Dickson
John prepares new activities schedule each week including weekend and day trips, social sporting activities and barbeques. John has extensive knowledge of the local outback area and is passionate about the region.

Course Information

Courses and Services

- Vacation English
- Intensive English (including beginners)
- IELTS Preparation (Intensive Dedicated)
- Cambridge Exam Preparation (Intensive Dedicated FCE, CAE and CPE)
- Intensive Academic Year
- Intensive Academic Semester
- English & Diving
- Travelling Classroom
- Young Learners Program
- Private tuition
- Christmas Program
- Internships
- OPUS Paid Work and Study

Sample Timetables

Class times are subject to change and you should only use this timetable as an example of what type of structure to expect.

Monday - Friday

8.30am - 10.00am: Class
10.00am - 10.15am: Break
10.15am - 11.45am: Class

Monday - Wednesday

11.45am - 12.30pm: Lunch
12.30pm - 2.00pm: Elective
2.00pm - 2.15pm: Break
2.15pm - 3.45pm: Elective

Transfer Information

Kaplan Aspect transfers

We request that students book their flights according to the starting date of their specific programme. Students must arrive on Saturday or Sunday prior to their course start date. Students must provide their agent or Kaplan Aspect with exact flight details - airline, flight number, arrival date and time, place of origin. This information should be faxed directly to the school. Students must provide Kaplan Aspect with their flight details no later than two weeks before their arrival.

Students living with a Host family will be met at the airport and transported by them directly to their home. Students are advised to actively look for their name displayed on a Kaplan Aspect sign held by their host family as they exit the gate. The student must identify themselves to their host family. If the student cannot find their family within 15 minutes of exiting the gate, they should find the public telephone at the information desk at the airport and telephone the following emergency number:
Tel: 0417708061 (Emergency mobile)
This will connect the student with our School Representative who will assist them.

Independent Transfers

Students can choose to take a taxi or a shuttle bus from the airport.

Taxi

There is a taxi rank outside the international flights terminal building. A taxi journey to the host family will vary in price, but will cost approximately AUD 15- AUD 35.

Bus

Shuttle Services run regularly from the Airport to the Central City.



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