



SCLI NEWS

The week at school

Everyone has quickly gotten back into the swing of things here at SCLI. Last week in the afternoon course students started studying the topic Antarctica and on Friday visited the Antarctic Centre. If you have not heard about this visit from your host daughter, please ask her about it as it is great review for her and good speaking practice. The topic is also running this week.

For SCLI staff, last week was also a busy one as all day last Wednesday we had our four-yearly review from the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA). Their job is to make sure we are delivering the English course we say we are and also to check that we are doing all the right things to protect our students e.g. fee protection, student safety and police vetting of host family members over the age of 18.

Next week students start writing and preparing their plays for the Christmas concert which will be held on December 9. Next week will also see the start of students researching a world issue in pairs and making a power point presentation in class. Students will be able to read articles in Japanese to learn about their topic but it is important they present their power point in English at their language level. Lotus and Lions also have Test 4 in the next couple of weeks, so students will be busy. As well as this, the first TOEIC exam, which almost all students are sitting, will be on November 9. Therefore you may find that your host daughter spends more time in her room leading up to these tests and exams.

Although there is more light in the day, it is still important that your host daughter does not use public transport at night and that she arrives home before dark. It is also important you know where she is after school and at weekends. Despite the fact that students are more confident finding their way around the city and are better able to communicate, these rules must remain as our students' safety is paramount.

Enjoy the rest of the week and I hope you have the chance to fit in some relaxation over the long weekend.

Lisa

For students

Duty

Thank you to the clean team leaders for drawing up schedules. When you hear the bell at 1.20pm, that is the signal to start cleaning up. Thank you so much for this!

Halloween party

This is a dress up but don't feel you have to go and spend lots of money on a Halloween outfit. I am sure you can find something at home – don't be shy to ask your host family for some ideas and a bit of help! Each class will need to prepare a game for the whole school to play.

Wellington trip

If you are going on the Wellington trip and would like to go on the Lord of the Rings Tour, please sign up by tomorrow.

Time Management

For many students next week will be extremely busy studying for Test 4 and doing research for your presentation. Start studying early so you can avoid too much stress.

Notice board in the hallway

I am sure you have seen the notice board in the hallway. Make sure you check it each day so you can keep up with important information.

Going out at lunchtime

If you go out for any reason at lunch time, you must let Lisa know where you are going. You also need to check back with Lisa when you return.

Things to do this weekend

Next Monday is Labour Day which is a public holiday. If you are staying in Christchurch check out the information on the notice board about FESTA and Diwali.

Spring Term No. 2

October 19, 2016



Important Dates

Friday, October 28, 4.30-8pm
SCLI Halloween Students' Party

November 9
TOEIC

November 10
A&P Show

November 11
Show Day—school closed

November 11-13
Wellington Trip

November 20, 12—3pm
Picnic and games for students and host families: Botanical Gardens

November 24
Visit to Orana Park

November 25
Sports afternoon at Hagley Park

December 9
SCLI Christmas Concert
Rangi Ruru theatre
6.30—9pm.

December 16
Last day of term

December 19-22
Top of the South Tour

January 19
Beginning of term 4

For host families

If you are staying in Christchurch this weekend, you may want to check out bethere.co.nz Today the students were told about FESTA and Diwali. Some of these events are at night so if your host daughter is going with friends, please make sure you are able to contact her on her mobile, you know how she will be getting home and what time to expect her.

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