



SCLI NEWS

Autumn Term No 5

May 17, 2017

The week at school

Although the weather for camp last week was not entirely on our side, everyone made the best of it and we all had a great time. I hope you have had a chance to look at the photos on Facebook. I also hope your host daughter has told you about the adventures she had.

Well done to the 22 students who completed the Mother's Day Marathon last Sunday. Some students even got their photos in The Press.

Test one is coming up for all classes. There are five major tests throughout the year and each test includes speaking, reading, writing, listening and grammar. Students need 70% or above in the grammar tests in order to pass. A percentage of the marks for each skill contributes to report grades.

Some host families have asked how they can best help their host daughter study. Reading from her library book, being tested on her spelling words and having conversations with your family are beneficial for the uptake of a second language. Also important is plenty of praise and encouragement. Adding a good luck note to her lunch box on test days will let her know you are thinking of her.

We had a visit from Adventure Specialties Trust Ltd (Adspec) last week. Adspec runs tours for our students during holiday periods and some weekends throughout the year. It is worth discussing your host daughters plans regarding these trips as sometimes the tour dates clash with your holiday arrangements, especially during summer. The dates for these trips are printed on the back of this newsletter.

The afternoon topic for this week and next is 'Books'. All students will visit the Peterborough St library this Friday afternoon and join if they have not already done so.

Keep dry and enjoy the rest of the week,

Lisa

For students

As the weather gets cooler, the hallway heaters get turned on. Please remember to shut the doors after you. There is no point having hallway heaters on if the doors are wide open. Also, please make sure the heaters are off before opening windows.

Test one :This test is approaching fast, especially for Marama and Mermaids. Your teacher has review practice for you. Please do not write on these papers. Many students are wondering how they should study. Improving skills takes considerable effort and time and in order to improve it is important that you practise every day- it is not possible to improve skills overnight.

TOEIC vocabulary club: This will start next Tuesday afternoon from 3.10-4pm in Moana's classroom.

West Coast Trip: If you want to go on this trip, talk to Darryl. You will need to pay by May 31st. Please talk about holiday plans with your host family before you sign up for any of the trips.

Test and exams dates: You can see the dates for the August exams on the right-hand side of this newsletter. If you want to know when your morning tests are, you will need to ask your morning class teacher.

For host families

Change of host family for Asuka Kurahashi
Pilkington/ O'Connell
Lee and Tracey
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Reminders

Dates for Test 1

Marama: May 18, 19
Mermaids: May 22, 23
Moana: May 25, 26

School lunch: June 2
Please give your host daughter \$6 for this. She will still need something for morning tea.

Queen's Birthday
June 5th



Term one host family evening will be coming up in June. More information to come.

Matariki
This is a party at school for students and will be held near the end of June. More information to come.



End of term
July 7

West Coast Trip (optional)
July 11-14

EXAMS
JULY 31—AUGUST 4

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ADVENTURE SPECIALITES LTD TRIP DATES FOR 2017-18

West Coast Trip :	July 11-14
Weekend in Tekapo:	August 26-27
Southern Loop Tour:	October 10-13
Weekend in Wellington:	November 16—19 (Show weekend)
Top of the South Tour:	December 18-21
Auckland Tour:	January 15—18

*These trips will only go ahead if there are sufficient numbers.