



SCLI NEWS

Spring Term #1
October 18, 2017

The week at school

As you know, I spent the last week and a half of the term in Japan during which I talked to teachers from our contributing schools. I also got to catch up with some of our graduates and have lunch with some of our current students' parents.

Meanwhile back here in NZ the Southern Loop tour proved to be a success. Everyone seemed to have had a lovely holiday and it was good to see so many happy faces back at school on Monday morning.

This term is always a busy and productive one as you can see from the list under Dates for your Diary. Please note the dates for the Top of the South Tour. It might be a good time to discuss summer holiday plans with your host daughter. Also please remember that our summer term starts earlier than NZ primary schools and since our final term is so short and includes TOEIC and school exams, we do not recommend students take time off during the final term.

During the next two terms it is our intention that students will fully immerse themselves in their kiwi lifestyles, make the most of their remaining time here and gain even more confidence and maturity. If this is combined with good study habits, students are then also giving themselves the best opportunity for their English to improve.

Enjoy the rest of your week,

Lisa

For students

Welcome back! We hope you have had a good break and have a good store of energy for the busy term ahead. It may be a shock for you to know that this term is 9 weeks long, the summer holidays are five weeks and there are only about seven weeks in the final term. If you feel that you have not been putting 100% of your energy into your studies and kiwi life, then now is a good time to change.

Test 4

Marama will be sitting this tomorrow and Friday, Mermaids will sit it on Tuesday and Wednesday next week and Moana will sit it in week four.

Cheating

After hearing about an incident that occurred when students were sitting test 3, it is a timely reminder to all students that SCLI does not tolerate cheating. Students will receive no marks for tests or exams if they are found cheating. Your school and parents in Japan will be notified and you will be suspended.

Photos/ videos

You are welcome to use your mobile phones during class to take photos of information on the board and to record listening exercises. No other photos or videos during class are permitted.

Before you take any photos, videos or recordings

of people at school, you must ask for their permission. If you cannot do this, you will not be allowed to bring your mobile to school.

TOEIC

TOEIC club started again yesterday. If you have never been, you are still welcome.

Mock (practice) TOEIC exam

This will be using Practice Test 1 from your TOEIC pack. It will be held on Tuesday, November 14 from 3.30—5pm in the new common room. If you do not want to take the practice test at school, you can take it home to do.

TOEIC EXAM

This will be held on Friday, December 1 but needs to be confirmed. It will cost about \$125. Please let Lisa know by next Wednesday if you do not want to sit this exam.

SYC (Rice Cube)

Students are once again able to attend this youth group.

Halloween Party

This will be held next Friday from 4.30—8pm. We will be dressing up, playing some games and having dinner at school.

Independent Travel

Remember you need permission from your host family and a parent in Japan needs to send the school an email. Text messages etc will not be accepted. You will also need approval from SCLI. The final date to have your plans approved is Friday, December 8.



Dates for your Diary

October 23

Labour Day—school closed

October 26

Visit to Orana Park

Friday, October 27, 4.30-8pm

SCLI Halloween Students

Party

Please give your daughter \$8 for dinner.

November 12, 12—3pm TBC

Picnic and games for students and host families: Botanical Gardens

November 14, 3.30-5.30pm

TOEIC Practice Test 1

November 16

A&P Show

November 17

Show Day—school closed

November 16-19

Wellington Trip

December 1 TBC

TOEIC

December 8 Date TBC

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

December 15

Last day of term

December 18-21

Top of the South Tour

January 15-18

Auckland Tour

January 22

Beginning of term 4

February 16

TOEIC

School exams

Feb 15— 22

For host families



Halloween Party Friday, October 27

Please discuss transport home from the Halloween Party with your host daughter. We will be finished by 8pm. Also please give her \$8 for dinner.

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