



SCLI NEWS

Spring Term #2
October 25, 2017

The week at school

I hope everyone enjoyed the lovely weather over the weekend and had a chance for a bit of relaxation. Although this week is a short week at SCLI, it is a busy one; Mermaids have had Test 4 and we are looking forward to visiting Orana Park as part of the Endangered Species tomorrow. Please make sure your host daughter takes a picnic lunch and has a drink bottle.

Students are looking forward to the Halloween party this Friday. They will be able to stay after school, get dressed up, play a few games and have dinner. Please give your host daughter \$8.00 for this. The party will finish by 8pm. Please discuss transport home with your host daughter.

We have several students interested in doing volunteer work and today we welcomed Glenda Martin from Volunteer Canterbury to talk to the students about the various volunteering possibilities available to our students.

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 your week,

Lisa



Important Dates

Thursday, October 26
Visit to Orana Park

Friday, October 27, 4.30-8pm
SCLI Halloween Students' Party

November 16
A&P Show

November 17
Show Day—school closed

November 16-19
Wellington Trip

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

December 1
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– 23*

For students

Orana Park

The bus will leave school at 9.30 am this Thursday and will leave Orana Park at 2.30pm and return to the Xchange. You will spend the day outside so you will need comfortable walking shoes, a hat, sunglasses, sun cream and appropriate clothing. You will also need a lunch that does not require cooking or reheating and a drink bottle. During the morning you will be required to stay with your group. You will have free time after lunch.

Plays

Next week you will begin writing and planning for your plays. There will be class time to prepare for the plays during weeks 3 and 8. However, most of the practising will be done outside of school time. Check out the information on the notice board to see when you will be able to practise at school.

December 1 TOEIC

Please let Lisa know today if you do not want to sit this test.

Discipline at SCLI

At the beginning of the year you were told about the school rules at SCLI and there is a copy of these rules in Japanese on the notice board. However please be aware:

- when a student breaks a rule it is very unusual for schools in NZ to discuss punishment with other students. However this does not mean SCLI is any less serious about discipline.
- if a student breaks a rule at SCLI it does not necessarily mean she will have to return home. Schools and families in Japan are always contacted if SCLI is considering sending a student home. However SCLI has the final decision.
- at SCLI our policy is that in most cases, everyone deserves a second chance. You are teenagers and away from home and sometimes students do not make good decisions. However it is important you learn from your mistakes.

An example of when you would not get a second chance would be if you broke a law in NZ. In this case your student visa would most likely be revoked and you would be unable to stay in NZ.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ..
Ibuki Yoshida who came first in the women's under 20 long jump in the recent Old Boys United Athletics Club competition last weekend.
Ibuki jumped 4.7m which, I have been told, is not even her personal best. Well done, Ibuki. We are so proud of you!



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