



# SCLI NEWS

## The week at school

Summer Term No.1

January 25, 2017



### Important Dates

First of all I would like to wish you all a happy new year and thank the wonderful families who took their host daughters away on the great holidays we have been hearing about.

We seemed to ease our way into our final term by coming back last Thursday but now it feels like the term is in full swing. By the end of this week all students will have completed Test 5 and they have all already completed an afternoon speaking test.

Your host daughter should be working hard this term and sometimes it may be difficult for her to balance her time between study, family and friends. However with lots of encouragement and support, I am sure she will be able to do it. If, on the other hand, you feel your host daughter could be putting in a bit more effort, we, her school in Japan and her parents would be grateful if you could strongly advise her to get her priorities sorted and 'hit the books'. Today students have been advised of the exam timetable.

In the afternoon course the topic is Early Maori and on Friday students will visit the Canterbury Museum to take part in an education unit there. This is always an enjoyable and informative visit and students will be able to try some hands-on activities.

As I have mentioned this term is a busy one; as you can see under the 'Important Dates' on the right side of this newsletter. It includes our garage sale which is always popular with host families.

Enjoy the rest of your week,

*Lisa*

Friday, January 27

*Visit to Canterbury Museum*

Friday, February 3

*Visit to Ferrymead Historic Park*

Monday, February 6

*Waitangi Day*

*School closed*

Term 4 Exam dates : February

*Friday 17 Writing*

*Monday 20 Reading and Listening*

*Tue 21– Thur 23 Speaking*

Friday, February 24

*TOEIC*

Monday, February 27

*School Day Out*

Saturday, March 4

*Garage Sale*

Graduation

*Wednesday, March 8*

Return to Japan

*Sunday, March 12 TBC*

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## For students

Welcome back! I hope you all had a great holiday and had a chance to recharge so that you have lots of energy for the term ahead.

This term is extremely busy and you will need to use your time wisely. There is a calendar with important dates marked on it on the notice board. For the upcoming exams, you will need to study Travel, World of Work, Fashion, Antarctica, Endangered Animals, Maori and New Zealand History. You will also need to study from your morning course book.

### Motivation

There is no Japanese to be spoken in the school this term. The next month needs for you to study intensively. You may need to make a study plan. Remember to add breaks and exercise and of course rewards for your hard study. You will not regret the hard work you do but you will regret it if you do not do your best.

### TOEIC Club

We will meet tomorrow at 3.15pm in the Lions' room.

### Museum Visit

You will visit the Canterbury Museum this Friday afternoon. You will go on foot, leaving school at 1.30pm. Please take your bag with you as you will not be returning to school.

### Sending boxes back to Japan

A convenient way to send your boxes back to Japan is by using Japan Speed Pack. They will deliver the boxes to school and they will pick the boxes up from your house. Payment is upon delivery ( in Japan ) . You pay for the weight of the box so make sure you only pack things you really want to use again. There are various other courier companies in Christchurch you may want to check out.

### Garage Sale

We will be having a garage sale in March where you can sell anything: shoes, clothing, shampoo, books, electronic goods, Japanese food etc.

### Cleaning groups.

Can the leaders of last term's cleaning groups please organise their classes again this term.

### Passports

If you took your passport before the holidays, please make sure you return it to Lisa or Darryl.

### Budget

Expenses you can expect this term include; TOEIC (approx \$150), graduation ( approx \$20) and a class day out.

## For host families

### Graduation

Graduation is Wednesday, March 8. Please keep this date free—it means so much to your host daughter that you attend this event. Both the ceremony and the supper will be at the Addington Raceway. More information about this event to come.

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