



Waihi College International Homestay Newsletter

JULY 2020

Kia ora,

Welcome back to another new term at Waihi College. These are interesting times for us, and a very different July compared to what we are used to! Those of you who have hosted for us for a while now would know that we are usually very busy at this time of the year with new student arrivals and short-stay visits from our Taiwanese and Japanese sister schools and annual visiting groups. As we continue to see the roll-on effects COVID-19 has on a day-to-day basis, I am continuously grateful for NZ's position in the fight against COVID. I hope you all enjoy this term—how amazing is it to be seeing more daylight hours already! Love it!

School news:

All of our July leavers had a successful departure during the term break, with the exception of Luca whose flight was cancelled due to a scheduled stop-over in Melbourne, Australia. It wasn't all bad for Luca though as this meant he had more time to spend with his friends and family before departing the following week. Everyone has arrived home safely. Reports are that they are missing NZ, but are loving seeing their friends and family again.



Ryoo, Scott, Luca & Carol



Inti and Jamie



Annika arrives home!

Dates to remember:

- 13 August—Sports & Cultural Photos
- 21 August—School Talent Quest
- 31 August—NCEA Information Evening
- 23-24 September—Spirit Days
- 25 September—Teacher Only Day—no school for students
- 26 September—School Ball

Trips:

Mrs Vicky Knight has been in discussion with our students about what trips they would like to see offered this term. Because we have a reduced number of students we should be able to tailor trips around their direct needs a little easier. Mrs Knight will be in touch soon with the detail of trips on offer.