

International Student Newsletter

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Warm winter greetings to you all. Term 2 has certainly been an eventful one for our students. Opportunities abound them both inside and outside of the classroom. Some of the highlights have been the wonderfully entertaining school production of Little Shop of Horrors, Year 12 and 13 Ball held at the national museum of Te Papa, participation in a wide range of sports, drama productions and music performances. To keep up to date with academic results, engagement and attendance, please visit our Portal. I encourage you to engage in conversation with your students about their achievements and attendance, please visit our Portal. I encourage you to engage in conversation with your students about their achievements and involvement in the school.

Ngā mihi nui

Little Shop of Horrors, the Musical



We did river safety and rafting in Upper Hutt which was a little bit scary but lots of fun. We even cooked our own dinner of beef and rice which was a fun experience. Sleeping in the tent at night was freezing and Andrei kept moving all night!

The entire production was a delightful blend of tongue-in-cheek humor, toe-tapping music, and genuine dramatic stakes. I could tell the cast and crew poured their hearts into bringing this compelling performance to the audience. I learnt so much as the student-led production was a true showcase of their impressive theatrical talents!

- *Bunni (Minh Thao) Dinh from Vietnam*



- *Jackrist Sahunalu from Thailand*

I have never done abseiling before, but I wanted to try it. The most difficult part was coming down the cliff backwards. It was so scary and slippery and it was hard to understand the explanation from the guide, but I did it!

- *Kanade Ubukata from Japan*

Outdoor Education Trip



International Students Sports Evening

Playing volleyball and football was fun because I could talk to new people and make new friends. Afterwards we went to a Thai restaurant and I had chicken and rice which was delicious but a little bit spicy. It was a fun evening.

- *Iori Matsumoto from Japan*



Big Sing



Poster designed by Fuji (Keticha) Akharonkun



Sports Evening

Rugby



The Tough Guy challenge was a once in a lifetime experience. It was physically and mentally very tough and it rained the whole time which made it even more challenging, but after I finished the race I had a great sense of accomplishment. We have these types of races in Germany, but not to this extreme extent.

- Bo Herzog from Germany

Senior Student Ball

I am really happy to have joined the Newlands 1st XV Rugby team. I really enjoy playing rugby and am always happy to go to training. Everybody in the rugby team is really friendly and I made many friends in the team. I didn't play before I came to New Zealand. I enjoyed the time with the team and will carry on playing in Germany.

- Jonathan Schikora from Germany



We went together to the School Ball at Te Papa Tongarewa, where we could improve our English with a lot of people, dance a lot, and eat as much food as we liked! It was a wonderful experience where we could go with our friends together. It is one of the best experiences that Newlands College could offer.

- Maria Oliveira da Rosa and Jhenifer Rozela from Brazil

Tough Guy Tough Girl Challenge

