



OTUMOETAI COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMME

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Studying: Year 12- Level 2 Chemistry, English, Outdoor Education, Photography and Year 13, Level 3 Calculus

Goal: To increase my fluency in English and to gain life experience.



Why did you choose New Zealand to study?

I chose New Zealand because it suited my interests the best. Of all the English speaking countries New Zealand appealed as being the most exciting in terms of nature and culture. The combination of that and the positive things my friends and family said about New Zealand made my choice easy.

What is the best thing about studying at Otumoetai College?

I am really happy with my selection of subjects and the many activities that the International Department offers. I have also enjoyed taking part in in school sports events. (Athletics and Swimming)

What do you enjoy most about being in New Zealand and living in Tauranga?

I enjoy the outdoors a lot and I have definitely enjoyed exploring New Zealand and Tauranga. I am also very happy with the amount of new people that I have met and how I have expanded my comfort zone greatly.

Do you enjoy living with a New Zealand homestay family?

Yes, I do enjoy living with my host family. I feel very lucky and blessed that I have got to spend time with a loving and caring host family. Generally, the host families have great reputations and are very good at taking care of the students,

What did you enjoy most about the end of year Activity Programme?

I really loved the opportunity to participate in such a large range of activities, from Hobbiton to Adenalin Forest to Blokarting and Surfing.

What would you say to a student from your country considering coming to New Zealand, Tauranga and Otumoetai College to live and study.

I would recommend doing it. I have learnt so much from living here. I believe that it is great to get out of one's comfort zone as I have developed my character and learned what matters to me. It is also great to put on your CV to show that you are able to handle challenges you face.

What are your career aspirations?

I don't know yet. But I know that I love travelling and I am good at Maths. I would like to have a career that is globally connected.

What do you plan to do after your New Zealand education is completed?

I am going back to High School in Denmark and then on to University.