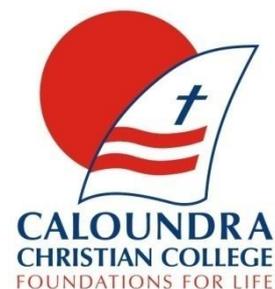


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Dear Parents/Carers

**Re: Online Japanese Study Tour**

This August we will be trialling our first ever fully online Japanese Study Tour.

Primary students from Tokyo will attend local classes via Zoom and will enjoy learning activities with our students. They will see a few sights, Australian animals and even take part in a homestay experience. Yes, homestay will be an online interaction with a College family **for about 30 minutes**, on two evenings – Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 August.

We are looking for CalCC families who are interested in welcoming a Japanese student, and family, into their home via video link (Zoom) and at the same time getting a look into the Japanese family home and lifestyle too. This is an excellent way to make and connect with overseas friends and to strengthen our ties with Seikei Elementary School in Tokyo.

The experience will be fully-supported. Our friendly international staff will ensure that your device and Zoom software work properly, you have adequate Wi-Fi and that you are comfortable operating it. If you like, we can give you lots of helpful suggestions and guidance with what to say and do, otherwise if you are comfortable, you have the freedom to just be yourself in your own home. This experience is to give our Japanese families a glimpse into Australian family life.

CalCC International staff and interpreters will be available throughout the scheduled call/video time (to be held around 6:30/7:00pm) should you have any difficulties.

You would likely be aware that real life homestay, in non-COVID-19 times, involves a tax-free payment. A payment of \$50 per night has also been built into the online program to ensure nobody will be out of pocket should they elect to cook something a little bit special on one of the nights, or should they encounter any other expense as a result of participating. Our staff can easily set your conscience at rest should you have any concern about this, since it is in all our interests that we maintain a robust International Program.

If you are interested, please email [homestay@calcc.qld.edu.au](mailto:homestay@calcc.qld.edu.au) or call Mark Spencer on 0434 123 436 to have a chat.

Your support for this new and exciting project is sure to bring your family a novel experience.

Yours in Christ

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