Chelsea Primary School

International Student Prospectus 2025

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Nau mai, haere mai,

The New Zealand education system is one of the best in the world. The OECD rated New Zealand in the world's top 20 nations based on the quality of our schools.

At Chelsea School we welcome international students and their families and we are dedicated to ensuring their time here is memorable and happy. We ensure our international students are cared for and we provide exciting opportunities and programmes that will grow their confidence and progress their learning.

Our curriculum is rich and varied and includes a focus on children's passions and interests. We aim to support the development of life skills and competencies that will help our children flourish in a future we can only imagine. We encourage our Chelsea learners to follow our DNA and our values:

We value Whanaungatanga (positive relationships and ensuring belonging), Kaitiakitanga (care for our environment), Manaakitanga (care for and respect each other's mana), and Ako (teaching each other and learning together). Our DNA and values are directly related to our vision: 'Growing Great Learners - Te Whakatipu Ākonga Miharo'. Our DNA is our language of learning and the skills and attributes that we believe help to 'Grow Great Learners'.

Ngā mihi nui,
Chelsea School International Student Team

Chrissy Wakeman
Principal

Kay Finlay
International Student Manager

Sandra Cotcher
Principal's PA

Our DNA

Our Values

What makes Chelsea a special place?

- A friendly and caring environment
- An International Student Manager who is responsible for international students and parent liaison
- Full mainstreaming of all students into classes
- English support within the classroom or in small groups coordinated by an ESOL teacher
- Recently renovated classrooms with new furniture and spaces that support a diversity of learning styles
- A range of additional opportunities such as Kapa Haka, choir, sporting events, Jump Jam and digital technology
- Specialist teachers in Environmental Science, Integrated Arts and Health and Physical Education
- A library, a swimming pool, a school hall and extensive playgrounds including a sandpit, a car track and a new loose parts play container
- Education Outside the Classroom opportunities such as Year 6 Camp, cross country, athletics and swimming
- Free stationery and curriculum-focused trips for our International Students

Please explore our website for further information regarding the curriculum, programmes and facilities www.chelsea.school.nz

Enrolment Information

Chelsea Primary School is a signatory to the Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice 2021. We will guide you through the enrolment process to help make the transition as smooth as possible.

1

Check availablity

At the time of your initial inquiry, we will establish whether or not we have a place at your child's year level. You will be informed of this before any further steps in the enrolment process are taken. If you are offered a place, an applicantion form and contract of enrolment will be sent to you.

2

Complete enrolment documentation

You must work through an Agent (we can recommend an Agent for you). You need to complete an application form and contract of enrolment which includes:

- Passport details
- Intended start and end date
- Agent details
- Immunisation evidence and doctor's details
- Evidence of Medical and Travel Insurance.
- Confirmation the child will be living with a parent.

All the information in the application must be true and complete. False or incomplete information can invalidate the application. You are advised to read the terms and conditions carefully and to seek support from your Agent to ensure you can make a well-informed decision.

3

Offer letter

An offer letter is sent with an invoice and once the fees have been paid then a receipt is sent. The letter should be used to apply to Immigration for a student visa. The visa will need to be shared with the school too.

4

Contract completion

Now that you have completed the contract of enrolment and you have your visa you may like to visit the school before your start date. A member of the International Student Team would be happy to show you around the school.

This is also a good time to discuss:

- The Code of Practice;
- Parental and student expectations;
- The student's level of English and interests;
- The school timetable and classroom programme;
- The behaviour and discipline approach and the Code of Conduct.

Orientation at Chelsea Primary School

On your first day, you will be met by the International Student Manager and will be shown to your classroom and receive your stationery. Each term we have a pōwhiri where we welcome new families and you will be invited to this formal welcome as part of your orientation.

International students are placed in a class with students of the same age. The classroom teacher will be responsible for ensuring the new student has a Cultural Buddy to help with daily routines, timetables and activities during free time. The Cultural Buddy will be supported by the International Student Manager.

All long-stay international students will be mainstreamed during their time at Chelsea Primary School. In addition to this, the ESOL teacher will undertake an assessment and will provide additional support. The ESOL teacher will liaise closely with the classroom teacher and will ascertain the level and frequency of ESOL support that is required. ESOL support can be in-class support or withdrawal.

You are welcome to meet with the ESOL teacher and the classroom teacher, and you will be invited to student conferences twice a year. You will have a meeting with the International Student Manager at the end of the first term to check if additional support is needed and to collect any feedback. You can also communicate using HERO or on WeChat or Kakao Talk.

Community Connections

WeChat and KakaoTalk

New families are encouraged to link with WeChat or KakaoTalk, if appropriate, as a way to stay connected and meet other Chelsea families. Everyone is encouraged to use HERO, the website and the school Facebook page too.
WeChat ID: ChelseaKF
KakaoTalk ID: ChelseaKF

Cultural Leaders

The International Student Manager will work alongside the selected Cultural Leaders to support international students during their first few weeks at Chelsea Primary School.

Migrant Parent Meetings

Migrant and international parents are invited to meet with the Principal and International Student Manager each term to discuss what is happening that term and to answer any questions parents may have. It is also a wonderful opportunity to meet other parents.

Community Events

Being part of a school community is important. Throughout the year there are a variety of events such as assemblies, pōwhiri, a Matariki soup evening, sports days, Creepy Carnival, PTA events and Christmas Carols. You are warmly invited to attend these events.

International Fees

One term: $4,275
One year: $15,000

Fees include GST and are payable in advance

Let's chat

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The Code: You can access The Code by clicking this link

In case of an emergency, please contact: 0800 617 960