

# Student Welfare

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International students are met on their arrival at the airport.

All homestay families have been visited and inspected by the homestay co-ordinator before being accepted by **Otago Boys' High School**.

Accommodation is for 45 weeks in a year.

Students may travel home during vacations but accommodation is contracted for the whole period and no refund can be given.

### **Homestays provide:**

- Full board including three meals per day
- Own bedroom with study facilities
- Full laundry facilities (except dry cleaning)

Students must provide their own toiletries, phone cards and be prepared to buy some snack food. They are also required to pay for their own bus fare to school

Orientation and advice on living with a New Zealand family, adapting to a new culture and succeeding in the New Zealand Education System are central to our student services.

At school there is an International Student dean and International Student Director responsible for the pastoral care and welfare of overseas students. They are there to help with any problems students may have and provide regular reporting and assessment for parents.

### **At Otago Boys' High School we provide:**

- Modern curriculum
- Professional experienced staff
- Orientation and counselling for overseas students
- Small classes to learn and practice English
- Preparation for tertiary courses
- International English Language Courses (IELTS and TOEFL)
- Regular assessment and reporting
- Musical and sporting opportunities
- An excellent reputation

## **Pastoral Care**

**Otago Boys' High School** observes and is bound by the Code of Practice for the pastoral care of International Students published by the Minister of Education. Copies are available on request from this institution or from the New Zealand Ministry of Education website at [www.minedu.govt.nz](http://www.minedu.govt.nz)