

◆特集：2016 オーストラリア友好親善訪問団◆



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7月27日から8月4日の日程で、市内中学生10名と引率2名の訪問団がオーストラリアでホームステイや学校体験してきました。帰国後の生徒にALTがインタビューしました。

Questions from Carlos:

1. What was your image of Australia before the trip?
2. What do you think of Australia now?
3. What are some differences in Australian schools?
4. What Australian food did you like?
5. Would you like to go back someday?

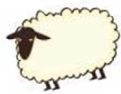


▲シドニーでお別れディナー

Riho Otsuki, Minami JHS answered:

1. I didn't have an image of Australia, I thought maybe the people there are very friendly.
2. The people there are very friendly.
3. I was surprised that students had piercings and ate sweets during their break time.

4. Chicken and Fries.
5. Yes, but I like Japan. I think it's nice.



Yuho Kato, Shiroishi JHS answered:

1. There was lots of food and everyone is very tall.
2. Everyone is so nice and friendly.
3. The students leave the room during class.
4. Meat.
5. Yes!

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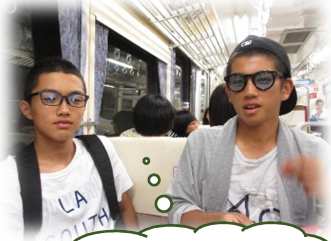




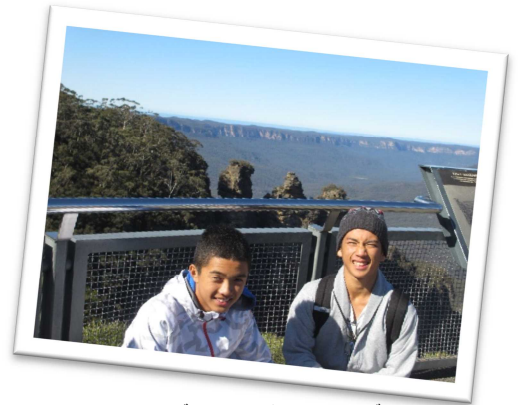
Shinnosuke Mori, Shiroishi JHS answered:



1. There is lots of nature there.
2. It's a great place!
3. I was surprised to see that students don't wear school uniforms in school.
4. Hamburger!
5. Yes!



眼鏡男子〜☺



▲@ブルーマウンテンズ



Kohei Kumagai, Shiroishi JHS answered:

1. It has a lot of nature.
2. Now I think there are many tall buildings in Sydney.
3. There were kangaroos in the school garden!!
4. I liked the sweets called "Tim-Tams." They were so delicious!
5. I want to go back to Cowra one more time!



よし、よし。



◆引率者とオーストラリアの動物たち、そして風景◆



うーめん、ゆであがり〜!

▲@ホストファミリー



Questions from Frances:

1. Have you ever been abroad before? If so, where? Are there any significant differences?
2. What was your first impression of the school, students, staff, and the school work? Did you have a favorite class?
3. What did you do in your spare time?
4. Was there anything you found shocking? Or something that surprised you about Australian culture?
5. Did you see any of the tourist attractions, if so where, and which one did you like the best?
6. Was there anything that made you uncomfortable?
7. How was the food?
8. Is there an experience or story that you remember vividly? Or associate with your time in Australia?
9. Do you want to go abroad again, if so, where?
10. Any advice for future study abroad students?



Ayumi Katahira, Fukuoka JHS answered:



1. I have traveled to South Korea to visit my grandmother.
2. The students were “talkative,” and the teachers friendly and approachable. My favorite class was computer class.
3. I would play card games with my host family, or watch my fellow classmates play handball. “They were quite energetic and aggressive!”
4. I noticed how homeroom was not as organized, and the school did not have a scheduled clean-up time. They also did not have to say “itadakimasu” before eating lunch.
5. I enjoyed going to museums with my host family.
6. No comments.
7. I remembers trying Vegemite and Tim-Tam Chocolate.
8. I recalls the time I spent in Sydney shopping and sightseeing.
9. I am interested in traveling to New York, Hawaii, and Los Angeles, California.
10. Eye contact during conversations!



◆ジャンプ編◆



せえーのっ! で、ジャンプしよう!



「なんか、楽しい!」



Manami Hanzawa, Obara JHS answered:

1. This is my first time traveling abroad.
2. The students were "talkative," and the teachers friendly and approachable. My favorite class was computer class.
3. I would travel around with my host family. One time, I went to the zoo and saw kangaroos and koala bears.
4. I noticed how the students changed classrooms, did not need indoor shoes, and did not say any type of greeting before eating lunch.
5. I enjoyed driving around Australia with my host family.
6. Maybe a little homesickness, but not a significant amount.
7. I remembers have things like toast and carrot juice for breakfast.
8. I recalls the last day in Sydney, staying in a tall hotel and visiting city hall.
9. I enjoyed my time in Australia, and at the moment, is interested in seeing the Eiffel Tower in France.
10. Don't be nervous! And leave some luggage space for souvenirs!



Questions from Florence

1. Was Australia different to what you thought? Why?
2. Did you talk to many people?
3. What was the strangest experience that you had?
4. What are your best memories?
5. How was Australian food?
6. What did you learn from your visit?
7. What will you tell everyone about Australia?
8. Any extra comments?



Suzu Yamada, Shirakawa JHS answered:

1. Yes. For example, wearing shoes inside the house!
2. A little.
3. At school, students chatter a lot during lessons.
4. Spending time with my host family.
5. The meat at home was very good.
6. I learned about a different culture.
7. I would tell about the differences between the two countries.
8. Go to Australia and learn many things! I had a very happy time.





Mio Matsuno, Higashi JHS answered:

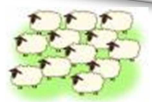
- 1. Yes. For the everyday life.
- 2. Yes, I did.
- 3. The students eating snacks in class!
- 4. My pictures with my host family.
- 5. The taste is strong. I liked the "Tim Tam" chocolate the best. But not the Vegemite.
- 6. About communication. I learned to watch in the eyes the person I was talking to.
- 7. About the different culture. About the kindness of the people. They speak from their heart.
- 8. I'm glad I could spend time in Australia.



▲感想を述べています。@お別れディナー



いい子にしててね…。



Yuki Abe, Higashi JHS answered:

- 1. Yes. I went to Saipan before where I saw the cars driving on the right. I thought it was the same in Australia.
- 2. Yes.
- 3. Wearing shoes in the house.
- 4. Many conversations with my host family.
- 5. Good. My host mother's apple pie was the best.
- 6. Communicating with gestures when you can't express with words.
- 7. Going to school in real conditions was a very special experience.



▲お礼の挨拶を英語で！@日本庭園



Misaki Kusaka, Higashi JHS answered:

- 1. Not really.
- 2. Yes!
- 3. At the hotel, I had problems with the bathroom: I didn't know how to use the shower.
- 4. When teaching origami at the exchange program party.
- 5. It was good. Vegemite was very strange, but I liked Nutella on bread at breakfast!
- 6. To express myself honestly when meeting with others.
- 7. It's great to spend time with a host family.



▲挨拶を英語で！@日本庭園





◆2016 思い出いっぱい・・・◆



▲ホストファミリーのみんなと一緒に!



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