



KAIKORAI VALLEY COLLEGE



International Prospectus



Dunedin, New Zealand



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Opportunity and Success for All



Annina Imfeld
Switzerland

During my time here at Kaikorai Valley College, I have made so many happy memories. I made amazing friendships with other International students as well as Kiwi students, and I could experience lots of the beautiful nature around here by doing trips. The teachers were welcoming and caring, and in my all my subjects, I was able to learn in a hands on and fun way.

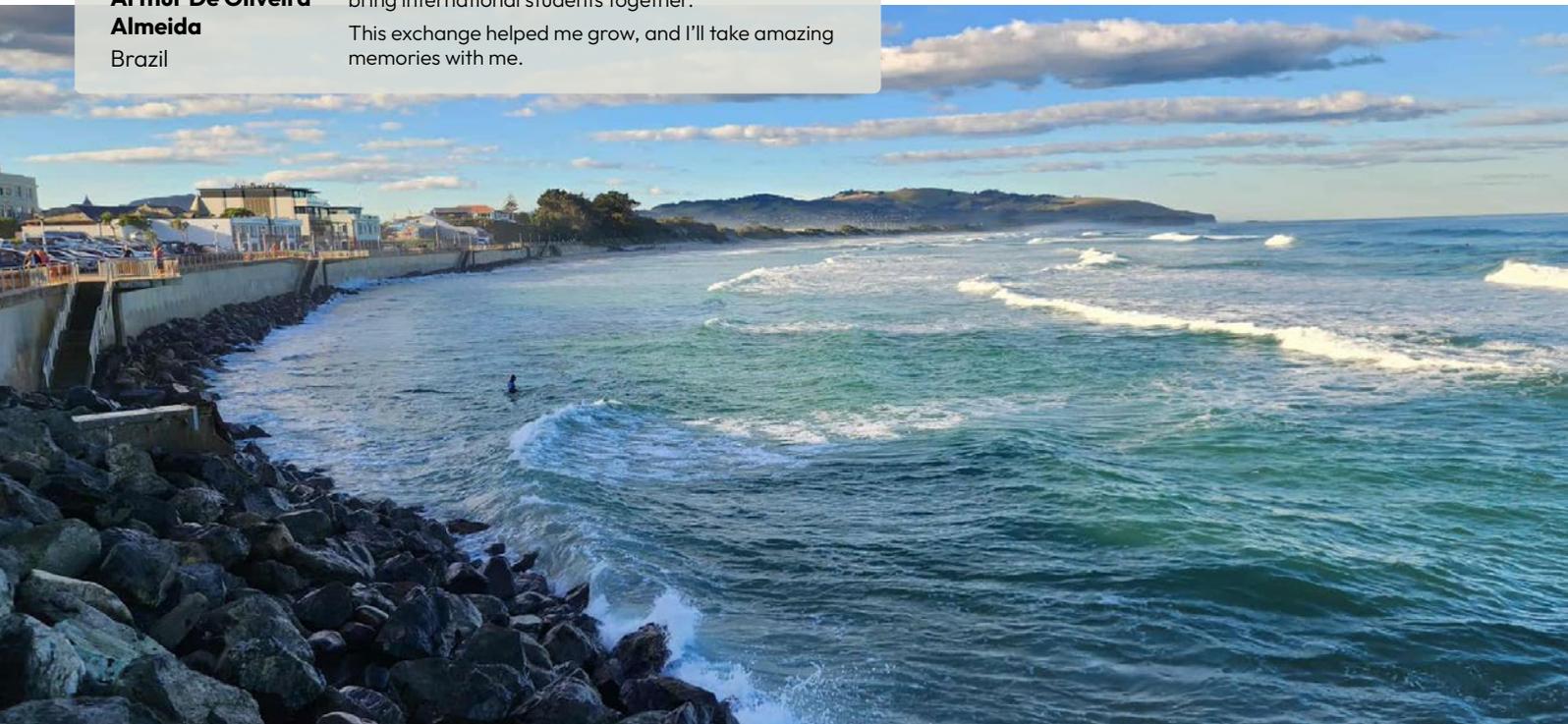
Also, Kaikorai Valley College has shown me new perspectives and brought many opportunities for me to take part in school life such as the School Production and bands.



Arthur De Oliveira Almeida
Brazil

I chose New Zealand and KVC to improve my English and experience something new. Dunedin is peaceful and full of nature, and I've really enjoyed my time here. At KVC, I made great friends from many countries, and the school offers fun activities that bring international students together.

This exchange helped me grow, and I'll take amazing memories with me.





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Bem-vindo!

Haere mai!

ยินดีต้อนรับ!

Willkommen!

¡Bienvenido!

مرحبا!

환영합니다!

Bienvenue!

欢迎!

Добро пожаловать!

Benvenuto!

Witamy!

歓迎!

Hoşgeldiniz!

Selamat Datang!

Hoan Nghênh!



Welcome

Nau mai, haere mai – Welcome to Kaikorai Valley College

Kaikorai Valley College is a co-educational school for Years 7 to 13, located on 14 hectares of beautiful grounds. We are proud of our long-standing reputation for hosting international students from all over the world for more than 30 years.

Students choose to study in New Zealand for many different reasons. At Kaikorai Valley College, we cater to a wide range of interests and goals. Some students come to pursue academic achievement and establish a pathway to tertiary education, while others come to experience New Zealand's unique outdoors and take part in opportunities they may not have access to in their home countries.

Whether you're joining us for just a few weeks or staying for up to five years, we welcome you. There are no restrictions on how long you stay or when you start—you can begin your studies at any time of the year. What we can promise is that your time here will be filled with life-changing experiences, and you will return home with a broader perspective of the world.

We offer excellent facilities and cater to students aged 11 to 18. For our international students, we provide comprehensive 24/7 pastoral care and a homestay experience to ensure your wellbeing and success.

Our school motto is "Opportunity and Success for All".

We look forward to welcoming you into the Kaikorai Valley College family.

Ngā mihi

Jatin Bali

Principal

New Zealand — a Country of Natural Beauty

- A beautiful landscape with lush green pastures, spectacular mountains and sparkling clean rivers and lakes.
- Population of 5.2 million with a land mass similar to Japan.
- New Zealand people are friendly, caring, innovative and enterprising.
- It is both a haven for those who want to experience peace and beauty as well as an adventure playground to challenge the thrill seekers.
- The climate is temperate with relatively small changes among the four seasons.

Find out more about New Zealand at www.newzealand.com

www.studywithnewzealand.govt.nz/en



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Dunedin — City Of Education

- A city designed for students—out of a total population of 134,000 Dunedin has 30,000 students.
- A vibrant city full of diverse young people.
- Home to the world-renowned University of Otago, New Zealand's first established university (1869), Dunedin provides very strong pathways to tertiary education.
- Dunedin schools consistently achieve the best academic results in the country for the National Certificate of Achievement (NCEA), the New Zealand academic qualification system.
- Dunedin schools work with the University of Otago and the Otago Polytechnic to enhance students' learning experiences.
- A small safe city—sometimes referred to as the “10-minute city”. Most schools and attractions are only 10 minutes from the city centre.
- The beautiful harbour and impressive peninsula are home to a huge variety of wildlife, including penguins, albatross and seals.
- The gateway to many of New Zealand's tourism resorts such as Queenstown, Wanaka, the Catlins, Tekapo and Mount Cook just to name a few.
- Outdoor activities can be enjoyed all year round.
- Excellent sporting facilities.
- Lively music and arts scene.
- Modern shopping malls, boutiques, galleries, restaurants and weekly craft and farmers' markets.
- International students from all schools join for social events.

Learn about studying in Dunedin www.DunedinNZ.com/study
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**Mizuki
Kajiyama**
Japan

The reason I chose KVC is that I was attracted by the opportunity to learn more deeply about New Zealand's nature and culture through the farm experience. I was only planning on staying for a year but while studying abroad in Dunedin, I really liked the education system, and the teachers who helped me a lot and made my school life more comfortable. So I changed my plan and will stay for 3 years and graduate school. This is a good experience for my life and that makes me feel more enjoyable.

New Zealand Education

- Students are taught in English.
- Students have a choice in the subjects they study.
- International students share classes with New Zealanders (they are in mainstream classes).
- New Zealand has a British-based education system that is recognised overseas.
- Students have choice in the subjects they study.
- Hands-on learning experiences.
- Outdoor education experiences.
- There are 13 years of school education.
- Students in years 11-13 study for the National Certificate in Educational Achievement (NCEA) and University Entrance.
- The academic year has four semesters (terms).
- The year runs from February to December with holidays for two weeks in April, July and September.
- Each school day is from 8.40am—3.00pm.
- Students in Year 11-13 usually study six subjects.
- Almost all NZ schools are government owned.

Kaikorai Valley College

Our school is known for the friendliness of our staff and students, the beautiful environment of our extensive school grounds and the opportunities that we give our students both in the classroom and with extra-curricular activities.

We are proudly co-educational and have a school roll of approximately 450 students, making it an ideal size for friendships to blossom. The small size of our school allows teachers to know our students well.

Smaller class sizes allow for more individual help for each student.

Our international department is very well-resourced with experienced and highly qualified English as a second language teachers. We offer our international students an ideal environment to improve their English ability.

International students have opportunities to experience the many outdoor activities, sporting, cultural and service activities that Dunedin and New Zealand have to offer.

Kaikorai Valley College has working relationships with the University of Otago and the Otago Polytechnic, who share their resources and expertise. Academic achievement is highly valued at our college. Our students' NCEA pass rate consistently exceeds the national average. International students can plan a pathway to study at the University or Polytechnic.

International students at our college are given the same opportunities for participation as NZ students, including leadership opportunities. Including leadership opportunities both within the school and the community. International students are part of our school student leadership team and wider Dunedin student committees.

The support and opportunities we give our international students set us apart from many other schools and we believe that is why we have such a successful international programme.

- Very experienced and qualified ESOL teachers.
- Home-stay Co-ordinator.
- Dedicated ESOL Learning Assistant in subject classes to give students extra support.
- Programmes of study are developed to ensure students are well prepared for University study.
- Students in Years 7 to 8 are immersed in homeroom teaching programmes.
- Students in Years 9 to 13 usually study 18 hours of mainstream subjects and 8 hours of ESOL.
- Differentiated levels of ESOL classes are available to students so students can study at the most suitable level.
- In Years 11 to 13 students sit NCEA assessments in ESOL and English to gain credits towards NCEA.
- The ESOL students are taught all literacy skills in small classes.
- Students who want to gain entrance to University are given the opportunity to study Level 2 English.
- We promote a pathway to University and help prepare applications.
- Trips for the International students during the year.
- Outdoor Pursuits available for Year 13 students.
- Urban Farm classes available for ESOL students.
- End of year programme for non-NCEA students during November.

Find out more about Kaikorai Valley College at www.kvcollege.co.nz



**Yuki
Matsuura**
Japan

The reason why I came to Kaikorai Valley College is because KVC has an excellent farm so I could study about agriculture that I was really interested in. Through my studies at KVC, I learned how to set traps for animals and how to feed sheep. Also when I first came to this school I was really shy and didn't have the courage to do anything but I was able to grow thanks to the help of my teachers and friends.



Sport, Culture and Outdoor Education



Sport

Sporting success is encouraged through maximum participation and expert coaching. Available sports include Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Bowls, Cricket, Cross Country, Curling, Equestrian, Football, Futsal, Golf, Harriers, Hockey, Ice Hockey, Judo, Mini-ball, Mini Volley, Netball, Pétanque, Rugby, Softball, Smallbore Rifle Shooting, Table Tennis, Tennis, Touch Rugby, Volleyball and Water Polo.



Culture and Creative Arts

Culture And Creative Arts are a strength at KVC. Students are encouraged to display creative talents in many ways, including Drama, Debating, Public Speaking, Kapa Haka, School Productions, School Orchestras, Choirs, Theatre-sports, Rock Bands, Shakespeare Festival and Talent Quest.



Drama

Performance opportunities are available within classes, school productions, Shakespeare Festival and talent quests. Drama can be taken as part of the school curriculum and taken as an NCEA subject.



Music

Personal music tuition is popular and available on a wide variety of instruments. Music groups include Bands, Orchestra, Rock Bands and Choirs. Students are given the opportunity to perform at frequent concerts, performances and celebrations.

Outdoor Education

Camps and activities include Tramping, Bivouacking, Kayaking, Sandboarding, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, Cycle Tours and Mountain Biking. School ski trips are enjoyed by many students each year including at least one trip for internationals only.

Students may take Outdoor Pursuits as a course in Year 13.



Urban Farm

A unique feature and education tool at Kaikorai Valley College.

As a city school, we are uniquely privileged to host a small farm on our grounds—a vibrant, living classroom where students actively engage with the natural world.

Learning comes to life through experiences such as:

- Growing food.
- Plant propagation.
- Native fruit tree maintenance.
- Care of chickens and bees.
- Studying the physical and chemical properties of soil.
- Monitor water quality and runoff.
- Using Geographical Information Systems (GIS), they map and understand environmental patterns.
- Monitor predators.
- Building projects.
- Large animals brought onsite to support learning about animal care, life cycles, and genetics.

Every building on the farm has been constructed by our Year 12 students as part of their activities program, using recycled material.

Our farm is all about learning differently. We challenge traditional mindsets about education and how young people connect with the environment. With a strong focus on Science and Technology in Sustainable Agriculture, students gain knowledge and skills that are both relevant and future-focused.



Kwan Yi Ng
Hong Kong

I chose to study in Dunedin because the weather is very different from my home, and I wanted to experience something new. I was also drawn to the city's beautiful natural environment, which makes it a peaceful and inspiring place to learn. I chose Kaikorai Valley College as my school because of its strong commitment to protecting the environment, which is something I care deeply about. I also really appreciate the opportunities the school offers to everyone, helping each student to grow and succeed.



Homestays — Caring and Supportive

International students stay in Homestays. Kaikorai Valley College has its own Homestay Co-ordinator who works closely with the students and homestay families.

- Most homes are within 10 minutes of school.
- Homestay families are carefully selected, and placements are made with care.
- Family profiles are provided to students before they arrive.
- The Code of Practice requirements mean every family is 100% safe. All families are police checked.
- Students are treated as family members.
- All meals and reasonable snacks are supplied, including a school lunch.
- Airport pick-up is free. The homestay co-ordinator and homestay family meet the student at Dunedin Airport with a friendly smile.





Facilities

First class facilities in a beautiful natural environment.

- Two gymnasiums and climbing wall.
- Large Sports grounds and courts.
- Music studios.
- Drama theatre and dance studio.
- On-site School Urban Farm.
- Modern Science laboratories.
- Computer suites.
- 14 hectares of beautiful grounds.
- Specialised technology rooms.



Contact for more information and to make application:

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CODE OF PRACTICE Kaikorai Valley College has agreed to observe and be bound by the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students published by the Ministry of Education. Copies of the Code of Practice are available on request from this institution or from the website at <https://www2.nzqa.govt.nz/tertiary/the-code/>



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