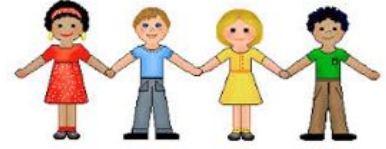




Greenhithe School

Homestay Accommodation



Fees

Include **three meals per day** plus **travel to/from school** if more than 15 minutes walking distance.

- ★ \$100 per person placement fee
- ★ \$325 per person, per 7 days for students living with their legal guardian
- ★ \$350 per student, per 7 days for students living without their legal guardian

Homestay fees are calculated from the date of arrival and includes the date of departure.

What you can expect

Living with a homestay family is the best way to practise English and experience New Zealand life. Greenhithe School arranges quality homestay families. Many are within walking distance of the school. Some are a short drive away. Homestay families enjoy talking to students and helping them improve their English.

You will probably find living in a homestay different from living in your home – different ways of doing things, different food, having to look after yourself. You will learn a lot from living in a homestay, but it will take some time to adjust. Please join in family conversations and activities. You will also be expected to assist with the day-to-day activities in the home as much as the children of the homestay family do. Please keep the house clean and tidy - remember it is a family home, not a hotel. Our homestay families have looked forward to your arrival and have often moved furniture, and in some cases, even family members to accommodate you. If you have a problem you should always ASK for advice. If you are very worried then our International department will help you at school.

Safety

Greenhithe School has assessed the suitability of Greenhithe homestay or the designated caregiver's accommodation by:

- ★ Visiting the home
- ★ Interviewing the caregiver
- ★ Carrying out Police vetting for all persons living in the home aged 18 years and over in the Greenhithe homestay or, if considered necessary, in the designated caregiver's home and is satisfied that the homestay will provide safe and suitable accommodation for an international student.

Homestay Arrangements

The school makes all the arrangements for payments to the homestay family. For students 10+ years who are studying without a parent, we can organise for your son/daughter and their belongings to be transported to the homestay if you wish. We will send you a profile of the homestay family that your child will be living with while she is studying in New Zealand. If a student needs to move out of a Greenhithe homestay, all arrangements will be carried out by our International department. The student does not give notice to the homestay parent. Our International department will contact you, the student's parents, to explain the change. If you, as the legal parents want the change yourselves, you must write to the International department giving valid reasons for changing homestay. The International department will give one weeks' notice to the homestay from the time a decision is made or at the time the school receives a letter from you, the parent. Please note however, that you will be charged an additional homestay placement fee.