

My Cashmere High School experience...

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I have had a lot of good experiences at Cashmere High School. At Cashmere High School, there are so many interesting events every year such as Athletics Day, International Food Festival and House competitions. But the first time I came to Cashmere High School, I was really nervous because I didn't feel confident about my English. Sometimes I didn't understand what teachers and friends said. I felt really confused and lacked. I also thought I want to go back to Japan.



The teachers who are at the international office and friends supported and encouraged me all the time, so I could be positive and have so much fun. I tried to keep on speaking English all the time and tried to hang out with only kiwi friends, as often as possible.

Also, I tried to do new things like playing sports so I joined the school Netball team. But I didn't know how to play Netball so I tried to do my best every single training and game. My team mates helped me all the time, as well. When there was a prize giving, I was given an award for my effort and playing. I was really happy and was proud of myself.

What I have learned at Cashmere High School is to never give up. To study English in another country is never ever easy. But how much you can make your English improve depends on your effort. What I have learned in New Zealand will be important to me for the rest of my life.