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ACCOMMODATION

BOARDING OR HOMESTAY

At Nelson College you have the choice of living in one of our three boarding houses at the college, or living with a New Zealand family in a homestay.

BOARDING

This gives you the chance to:

- **Live in a caring structured environment**
Boarding offers 24-hour supervision, with all meals provided, 7 days a week.
- **Live with a group of New Zealand students**
You will live in a dormitory with other boys your own age. Younger students share a cubicle and most senior students have their own.
- **Fully participate in school life**
In boarding you have the opportunity to join in with many sporting, cultural and social activities both in and out of college.
- **Make many New Zealand friends of your own**
In boarding you will always have the company of other boys, and be able to develop your everyday communication language skills.
- **Study regularly in the evenings with supervision and assistance**
Tutorials and homework classes are offered to help you with your study. The Computer room and Library are open at set times, and senior students and tutors are available to assist you.
- **Experience homestay life during the holidays**
The boarding house closes in the holidays, but we will find a good homestay for you, either in Nelson or somewhere else in New Zealand, where you can live with a New Zealand family and experience the New Zealand way of life.
- There are approximately 55 students in each boarding house. The three houses are called Rutherford, Fell and Barnicoat.

HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION

This gives you the chance to:

- **Live with a New Zealand family and experience a New Zealand way of life**
All homestays are carefully chosen and monitored by the school. We will find a homestay that is best suited to your individual needs. All our homestays have undergone a police background check.

- **Develop everyday language skills**
Homestay families make an effort to help you learn English and practise in a friendly environment.

- **Have your own room and private study facilities**
As a homestay student you will have a private bedroom equipped with a desk, giving you your own personal space.

- **Join in with family activities in the weekend and holidays**
The best way to learn English is to spend time with your family. You will also be able to learn new ways of doing things, and have some fun.

- **Share your own culture with your New Zealand family**
Our homestay families choose to have international students staying with them because they want to learn about a different culture. You will be able to share yours with them and maybe cook some of your own special food.

Places in the boarding house are limited, you will need to have an interview with the Housemaster once you are here. We do not allow you to change your accommodation during the term, and you may not change from boarding into a homestay or change into a different homestay, unless both the school and your parents allow it.

You will need to fill in the appropriate application form for either homestay or boarding, and send it to the college with your school application form. If you are unsure, we can arrange temporary accommodation for you until you arrive and you can decide once you have seen what is available.