

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between Huntingdale Primary School & Kuramochi Primary School

Huntingdale Primary School in Australia and Kuramochi Primary School in Japan hereby agree to become sister schools in order to develop friendship and cooperation between our two schools, promote mutual understanding and cultural awareness between Australia and Japan and promote language learning.

### SISTER SCHOOL PROGRAM GOALS

To:

- Strengthen relationships, understanding and appreciation between students and teachers in Japan and Australia and develop skills which overall enhance Australia-Japan relationships.
- Increase cultural awareness and international perspective for students in both schools.
- Support the teaching of languages in both schools and to assist in the continued development of programs in the respective schools.
- Develop ties of friendship through regular communication.
- Develop students into citizens who are globally engaged, comfortable with diversity and with the skills to operate effectively across cultures with different world views and belief systems.

### SISTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- Huntingdale Primary School will visit Kuramochi Primary School in odd years, pending travel approvals from DET (Department of Education and Training) and DFAT (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade) and sufficient interest from students (as per our Japan Trip Policy).
- Huntingdale Primary School will facilitate visits from Kuramochi PS staff prior to the trip, if they are organized.
- When at Kuramochi Primary School Huntingdale students will be involved in normal classroom programs, homestay activities and completing a presentation to the whole school.
- When at Kuramochi Primary School teachers can be involved in classes and teach some lessons about Australian Culture and English language learning and staff professional development activities.


Both schools will endeavor to:

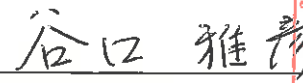
- Exchange information about curriculum, school policies and school events.
- Involve other important bodies and the community in the exchange activities, for example, School Council, Local Councils or other local schools.
- Exchange best teaching practice, resources and teaching strategies.
- Exchange student work, email, letters and photos to promote mutual understanding.
- Exchange of leadership development information between principals.
- Provide opportunities for video conferencing to support relationships between both schools. .

In 2019, Huntingdale Primary School and Kuramochi Primary School will review this agreement to determine future directions.


  
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