



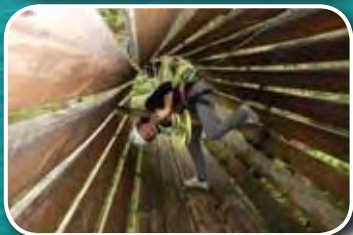
Coromandel Outdoor Language Centre



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About Us

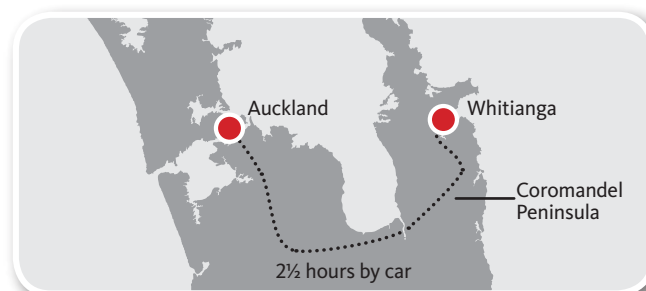
Coromandel Outdoor Language Centre (COLC) is the friendliest little language school in New Zealand. Since 1988 we have been providing excellent English tuition to students from all round the world. Students love our family atmosphere and we have a great reputation for being prepared to do those extra things to help look after our students. We provide a truly unique New Zealand experience.

We teach communicative English in small classes with a maximum of 12 students. We believe in 'learning by doing' where English learning takes place in real life situations beyond the classroom, with real tasks and interactions with local people.

We teach students from 16 to 80 years old. Age is no barrier to "Learning by Doing".



Where We Are



New Zealand

With a worldwide reputation for a clean, green environment, stunning natural beauty and friendly welcoming people, our beautiful country will definitely live up to your expectations.

Coromandel Peninsula

Situated only two and a half hours from Auckland city, the Coromandel Peninsula, with its forests, golden beaches and vast stretches of rugged coastline, is truly one of the most beautiful areas of NZ.

Whitianga

Whitianga is a small, safe, seaside town. It is a popular holiday destination and has an excellent variety of restaurants, bars and cafes. The local people enjoy a relaxed lifestyle which often includes ocean activities such as fishing, surfing and boating. Students are often surprised and delighted by how informal and friendly their host families are. Relaxing at the beach, watching the night sky, exploring the bush and coastline are all part of our students' enjoyment of Whitianga.

The School

COLC is located in a renovated old Kauri villa beside the Whitianga harbour and only a few minutes walk from the centre of town. The original part of the building is one of the oldest houses in town and is surrounded by beautiful grounds that are available for games and students' recreation. Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the school.





Courses

English language teaching is our main focus. Our highly qualified and experienced teachers and selection of courses will provide excellent learning opportunities. Small classes mean more teacher time and better progress. Morning lessons form the basis of all our courses with various options available in the afternoons.

General Course

This is our standard, and most popular course. 21 hours a week of skills based, and conversation classes, combined with the opportunity to go out into the community and practice the language you are learning in real life situations.

Examination Preparation Course

COLC specialises in FCE. While many schools are moving toward CAE we will continue to offer FCE preparation courses, for which we have always had excellent results. If you are serious about success in your FCE, we can provide the learning environment you need.

Morning lessons will be followed by 2 hours of intensive exam preparation Monday to Thursday.

Morning Lessons with Activities

Available from October to April, this unique and popular course combines morning lessons with outdoor activities in the afternoons. "Learning by Doing" is English learning in action!

English Plus 3

This course is available all year round and combines morning lessons with 3 afternoon activities (Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday). On the other days students can enjoy free afternoons or have one-to-one lessons.

We also have additional English Plus courses where students do morning lessons and a special activity in the afternoons, such as NZ cooking, golf or bone-carving. More details are available on www.activity.co.nz.

Activities

COLC has always provided outstanding activity programmes. This year we will be offering activities 5 days a week through the summer period from October to April. Our very popular English Plus 3 activity option will continue to be available all year round. Activities allow you to keep learning by using your English while having great fun, and seeing and doing new and exciting things.



On activities our experienced teachers will share with you their intimate knowledge of the local environment and you will visit wonderful marine and rural locations that other visitors to the Peninsula would not have access to. From action packed adventures like surfing, confidence courses, fishing, High Zone and kayaking, to more leisurely ones like beach and bush walks, bone carving and pottery, our unique program offers exciting opportunities for all ages and abilities.

Nearly all of our students try activities for a least a short time, and the majority wish they had started sooner. This is a wonderful way to see what the Coromandel Peninsula has to offer and to enjoy 'learning by doing' while interacting with teachers, local artists and personalities.





Accommodation

Homestay

We regard homestay as a very important part of our programme. Our host families feel that they are part of the school, and enjoy the privilege of having students from other cultures to stay with them. The school ensures that the homes are of a high standard, and that families are made aware of the challenges which foreign students face in adapting to New Zealand life. Unless specially requested, we do not place two students of the same nationality with the same host family.

Universal Lodge

Students can also stay at the Universal Lodge, just a 5 minute walk from school, where they will have a comfortable room and can share the well equipped kitchen. This is a friendly and enjoyable option for students who do not wish to stay with a family.



Open Night

Every Wednesday night the school is open for a supervised social gathering. Because COLC is a small school, everyone knows one another, so open nights are a fun way to welcome new students into the COLC family and provide a further opportunity to practise English in a social setting.

Open night activities are often initiated by the students themselves and we have had regular BBQs, games evenings, international meals prepared by different student groups, movies, music, singing and dancing. Whatever form they take, open nights are always popular and well attended.

Quality criteria and affiliations

Like all well established NZ schools, COLC is registered by NZQA and accredited to provide 'English as a foreign Language' under section 259 of the NZ Education Act 1989.

COLC is a member of IALC (International Association of Language Centres), which is an association of quality, independent language schools from all around the world, and also a member of IALC Oceania which offers a unique mix of quality language schools throughout Australia and New Zealand.

COLC is a signatory to the Code of Practice for the Pastoral Care of International Students.

All fees paid to COLC before your arrival are kept safe by New Zealand's strict Student Fee Protection rules. See our Conditions of Enrolment for details: www.activity.co.nz/conditions-of-enrolment



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