

Hello everyone.

皆さんこんにちは。

I said this greeting to you last thursday.

A fulfilling time passes in no time.

Now it is time to say goodbye to you.

On athletics day, it was too cold for us,
because in Japan it was 35 degrees.

But I was very very happy with your warm feelings,
and surely our students were surrounded
by the warm feelings of everyone in the stadium.
The barbie sausages that Bentleigh students cooked
were very delicious.

I worked hard to give the awards to students,
so the assistant principal, Leanne 先生,
gave me this, first place award.

On the excursion to Healesville Sanctuary,
we were surprised that the birds were that smart,
I was also surprised
that one parrot bit my finger when it mistook it as bait.

Their eight days with host families
were unforgettable for them.
Eight nights and five school days
seemed very short for all involved,
students, parents and teachers alike,
as everyday was full of activities.

The one thing I was not able to do,
was meet the gray school cat.

To the host families,
the 8 days to this day would have been difficult.
Because, for our students,
it was their first time to stay at someone's home
for over a week in another country.
But this tour to Bentleigh is the 5th time in 8 years,
so we knew
we would have no worries in these 8 days at all.

Thank you to the host families,
our students had
great experiences and an amazing time outside of school,
and we would not be able to run this program without you.
Thank you very much for all the host families
who made these eight days extremely special to all of us.

Last, to the principal ms.Helene Hiotis,
Thank you very much for your careful consideration, and
for giving our students great opportunities and experiences.
And I was very happy
to visit primary schools and secondary colleges,
I was impressed to learn more
about the wonderful Education system of Australia.
I will never forget this memory
with the beautiful scenery
and delicious foods and drinks of Australia.

And special thanks to teachers of bentleigh,
Lyons 先生, Scott先生, Yuko先生, May先生, Haruka先生,
and all the staff of bentleigh,
for your wonderful kindness and patience.

I will look at the south
and pray for the sister school relationship to develop more and more
while remembering the southern cross which we can not see in Japan.

Now it is time to sign out on the Compass system of Bentleigh.

Thank you very much.
ベントレーの皆さん、ありがとうございました。