



YARRA VALLEY
GRAMMAR

International Exchange Programs



Yarra Valley Grammar has the belief that international school exchanges have the potential to broaden in a positive and meaningful way the experience of young people. Many students who have had the benefit of such opportunities claim it to be a life changing experience.

Yarra Valley Grammar has three sister school exchange programs and there are opportunities for students and families to be involved:

- by travelling as part of the tour group to one of our sister schools; or
- by hosting students from our sister schools who will be visiting us

WHAT DO STUDENTS GAIN FROM THE EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE?

- A far broader knowledge of the country or countries visited
- A chance to experience a different educational setting
- An opportunity to develop personal links and friendships with people from overseas.

WHAT DO EXCHANGE FAMILIES GAIN FROM THE EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE?

- An opportunity to develop personal links and friendships with people from overseas
- The experience of an additional family member
- The opportunity to contribute personally to the education and development of a young person
- An opportunity to develop personal links and friendships with individuals and families from overseas.

For more information, please contact Ms Cathy Hainslin, Exchange Program Coordinator

FRENCH

Exchanges with our sister school, Lycee Le Mirail in Bordeaux, occur on an annual basis, involving 10-15 students from Years 10 and 11. Participating students travel to France during the September/October school holidays and then host a French student in February/March of the following year.

CHINESE

Exchange visits between students from Yarra Valley Grammar and Pinghu High School in Zhejiang, China are conducted on a biennial basis. In July/August 2014, participating students will host a group of 15 students from Pinghu High School, and in March/April 2015 Yarra Valley Grammar students will travel to China.

JAPANESE

Exchanges between our sister school in Johoku, Japan occur on an annual basis, involving a small number of students from Years 9-11. Participating students host a Japanese student in July/August and then travel to Japan during the September/October school holidays.

