



## A Few More Useful Tips

**CURRENCY:** The currency used in New Zealand is the New Zealand Dollar (NZD). The exchange rates between the world's currencies changes every day, but the list below will give you some idea of the value of the NZD when compared with that of some other countries.

The value of one New Zealand Dollar is approximately:

- 0.92 Australian Dollar
- 0.58 Euro
- 0.51 Great Britain Pound
- 5.34 Hong Kong Dollar
- 76.00 Japan Yen
- 20.80 Taiwan Dollar
- 4.60 China Yuan
- 22,50 Thailand Baht
- 16,000.00 Vietnam Dong
- 0 .68 United States Dollar
- 2.56 Brazil Real
- 2.75 Malaysian Ringgit



**ELECTRICITY:** In New Zealand electricity is supplied at 220-240 Volts. Three-point power outlets are used – like that shown on the right. Adaptors can be purchased in New Zealand, but you might wish to bring one with you so you can use your electrical devices as soon as you arrive.



**TRANSPORT:** Public transport in Napier may not be as regular as you are used to. At most, buses between main points will run each half hour. However, Napier is a small city and most places you will want to go to are within walking distance. Many students find it useful to have a bicycle to get around on. If you ride a bicycle, you may find this the most useful form of transport. Your homestay parents will help out when they can, but you cannot expect them to be a regular taxi service for you.



**MEDICATION:** New Zealand has an excellent health system. Any prescribed medication you bring with you must be accompanied by a written explanation – in English – stating what the medication is, what it is for and when it is to be taken. The school and your homestay parents must know what you are taking. Apart from medicines prescribed by your doctor **DO NOT BRING OTHER MEDICATION WITH YOU.** If you become ill while in New Zealand medication will be prescribed by a local doctor. Visits to the doctor and prescribed medication will be paid for by your insurance cover.

