



## ME AND MY MONEY

### How much money do I need?

This is a question students and their parents always think about when preparing for a life of study and adventure far from home.

There is no right or wrong answer to this question, but when considering what you might need, you should think about these points:

- Your homestay will provide you with three meals a day including a lunch to take to school. So the only food you will need to buy is snack or 'junk' food you might like.
- You will need to provide your own personal hygiene items such as toothpaste, hair shampoo, etc.
- Most of you will be able to walk or cycle to school, so transport will not cost much.
- If you like going to the cinema it will cost you about \$NZ10 in Napier. Most other such activities will cost about the same, but most students find plenty of things to do which do not cost anything.
- You will need to allow for the cost if you plan to travel around New Zealand during the school holidays. Approved tours can be quite costly. For example a 10 day South Island tour might cost between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Apart from the cost of holidays, most students will manage quite well on around \$50 per week. Having access to too much money can cause problems. Students will often spend on unnecessary items and parents find themselves having to provide further funds. If the parents wish, they can arrange with the school to provide the student with a weekly allowance.

### **DO NOT BRING LARGE AMOUNTS OF CASH TO NEW ZEALAND WITH YOU!!**

#### **EITHER...**

transfer your spending money to the school to be paid out as per instructions

#### **OR...**

wait until arrangements have been made for you to open a bank account in Napier and then have the funds transferred directly to that bank account.

This may cost a small transfer fee, but it is safer and more secure than having young people carry large sums of cash with them.

If you have any queries about this issue, please do not hesitate to contact the International Director.





## What do every day items cost in New Zealand?

Of course the cost of things will vary depending on the brand you buy and where you buy it, but this might give you some idea as to the cost of some of the items you might want to buy. Prices are in \$NZ and approximate only.



Coca Cola  
2.25lts  
\$3.00



Cappuccino  
\$4.00-\$5.00



Potato crisps  
100 gms  
\$3.00-\$4.00



**\$3.50**



Sweets 140gms  
\$2.50-\$3.50



Fish 'n Chips  
Takaway  
\$6.00-\$10.00



Restaurant  
Fried rice dish  
\$10-\$15



Restaurant  
Main Course  
\$15-\$30



Apples  
1 kg  
\$3.50-\$4.50



Sandwiches  
2  
\$2.50-\$3.50



Toothpaste  
110 gms  
\$2.50



Toothbrush  
\$1.00-\$3.50



Shampoo  
200 mls  
\$3.00



Soap  
85gms  
\$0.50



Sanitary Pads  
Pkt of 14  
\$6.50



Ice cream  
2 lts  
\$4.50-\$5.50



Loaf of bread  
600gms  
\$1.00-\$3.00



Orange juice  
2 lt  
\$5.00



Block of cheese  
1 kg  
\$8.50



Milk  
1 lt  
\$2.50



USB Memory Stick  
4GB  
\$5.00



Cinema Ticket  
\$10-\$12



Electrical  
Adapter  
\$20-\$30



Taxi Ride  
All journeys  
are metered.  
Approx. \$3 per  
kilometre



Ticket to Public  
Aquarium  
\$18  
\$6.50 with school  
group