Year 10 2015
International Opportunities
Travel and Exchange

- Brazil
- New Zealand
- South Africa
- Hong Kong
- Scotland (unavailable 2015)
- France
- Vietnam
- England (2 schools)
- China
- Japan
- Italy (2 schools)
- The Netherlands
- Germany
- Brazil
- Denmark
- East Timor
- Singapore THIMUN

Realities about exchange

- Opportunities for all students, not just most academic
- Formal application
- Students are representatives of the school
- Conditions may not be ideal
- Return students may not be perfect
- A challenge to find your strengths
- Prepare for disappointment
- Consider also applying for service tours or THIMUN
- Overt 70+ places available. Everyone should gain a place but not necessarily their first choice.

• It is to be seen as a growing and learning experience for all.
International programs generously supported by PLC Sydney Foundation

• Grants are made to almost all overseas tours.
• All exchanges are subsidised so parents pay only about 80% of fares and accommodation.
• Other schools and students are highly envious.
• All students who exchange with us pay full costs.
• School fees must be paid in full if a student is to go on exchange.
Brazil
Bom Jesus High School

- Our newest exchange
- Lutheran IB school in southern Brazil - Joinville
- 4-5 week exchange
- 4-5 students
- Rio de Janeiro experience with a teacher
- Bom Jesus students to PLC in July/August
- PLC students to BJ in September/October
- Coeducational
- Students have excellent English
- Unavailable for Cambridge Science students
New Zealand
St Andrew’s Christchurch

- 4-5 week exchange
- Usually 4 students
- Usually younger than our girls
- STAC students to PLC in June
- PLC students to STAC in July/August
- Coeducational
- Winter experience
- Specialises in drama
- No language skills necessary
South Africa
Herschel Girls’ School, Cape Town

- 8-9 week exchange
- Usually 2 students maybe 3
- PLC to Herschel for most of Term 3
- Herschel to PLC for most of Term 4
- Girls’ school - quite similar to PLC Sydney
- Opportunity to participate in outreach program and visit townships
- Amazing landscapes and animal life
- Unavailable for Cambridge Science students
Hong Kong

St Paul’s Co-educational College

- 5 week exchange
- 3 students
- St P’s to PLC July/Aug
- PLC to St P’s Nov/Dec
- City educational experience
- Students sophisticated but studious – generally a little younger than our girls
- Wonderful food
- High rise living
- Fast safe public transport
- Chinese may helpful but not at all essential
Scotland (unavailable 2015)
St George’s Girls’ School, Edinburgh

- (unavailable 2015)
- 5-6 week exchange
- 2 students
- St G’s to PLC July/Aug
- PLC to St G’s late Oct-late Nov/early Dec
- Winter experience
- Historic school similar to PLC Sydney
- Interesting subject choices such as beauty therapy or child care
- Edinburgh delightful city
- No other language required
Vietnam

Vietnam Australia School, Hanoi

- 4 weeks
- 3-4 students
- VAS to us in June
- PLC to VAS late Oct-late Nov
- A different exchange experience more like GAP
- Will assist in teaching English and Commerce
- Some work in the primary school
- Will join co-curricular groups
- Stay in home stay or boarding
- Families quite wealthy – accommodation will be very comfortable.
- Unavailable for Cambridge Science students
England
Badminton School, Bristol

- 5-6 week boarding exchange
- 2 students
- Badminton to PLC July/Aug
- PLC to Badminton Nov/Dec
- Winter experience
- Situated in Bristol – 1.5 hour train ride from London
- Very close to the delightful city of Bath
- Quite an academic school; best girls’ school results in England
- Historic school similar to PLC Sydney
- No other language required
- Probably unavailable for Cambridge Science students
England

Ripley St Thomas, Lancaster

- New exchange in 2013
- Ripley to PLC Jul/Aug
- PLC to Ripley Nov/Dec
- 3 students only this year
- Set in the northern city of Lancaster
- Near the beautiful Lake District
- Winter experience
- Co-educational
- Special program such as the British bake-off
- Very positive reports from 2014 girls
France

St Vincent, Senlis (Paris)

- 5/6 week exchange
- 6-8 students
- St V to PLC May/June
- PLC to St V Nov/Dec
- Beautiful school not far from Paris
- Special program for exchange students
- Must study French and continue next year
- Winter experience
- Culturally rich environment
- May send students in 2 groups to accommodate Cambridge Science
China
Nankai High School, Tianjin

- 4 week exchange or stay in boarding house
- Extra cost if only the boarding option is available
- 3-6 students
- Nankai to PLC: PLC to Nankai Nov/Dec
- One of the most prestigious schools in China
- Fantastic facilities
- Must have studied some Chinese
- Cambridge Science exam may mean we send students a little later but negotiable
Japan
Meitoku High School, Kochi

- 10 week exchange
- Between 4-10 students
- PLC to Meitoku Nov and Dec
- Meitoku girls to PLC all year
- Expectation of hosting these Meitoku girls for at least one week in the course of this year
- Winter exchange
- Special Japanese language program
- Exceptional opportunity to improve the quality of Japanese language
- Unavailable for Cambridge Science students
Italy

Istituto Russell-Newton, Florence

- New exchange 4-5 weeks in fabulous Florence
- IRN to PLC Sep-Oct
- PLC to IRN Late Nov to mid Jan
- Note - away for Christmas
- Most will be studying Italian but others can apply for a cultural exchange
- Dynamic state school in the beautiful city of Florence
- Specialises in offering a rich, modern program
- Fashion studies may be available
Italy

Liceo Pieralli Perugia

- Beautiful small university town in Umbria
- 2 campus school
- Students can be placed on either campus depending on which their sister attends
- This year both language and cultural exchange
- Very authentic Italian experience
- Language classes to be provided
- Very positive reports from 2014 students
Rijnlands Lyceum, Wassenaar
The Netherlands

- An international school
- Close to the Hague
- 2 students
- Absent most of Term 4
- Return visit in Feb/Mar the following year
- Academic school
- Cycle everywhere
- Opportunity for travel to Paris or Berlin
- Unavailable for Cambridge Science students
Gymnasium Im Schloss Wolfenbuttel, Germany

- A renewed exchange
- A small town experience - very pretty
- 8-11 students
- A school in a castle
- Co-educational
- For both German speaking and non-German speaking students
- Musical school
- Wonderful Christmas experience
Denmark

The International Academy of Vedersoe

- New exchange in 2014
- Very sporty school
- Be prepared for physical exercise
- Shorter exchange
- Boarding and homestay
- Not reciprocal in 2015
- Quite remote - situated in Ulfborh near the North Sea
- Teacher will accompany a small group
- Probably September to October
- Copenhagen experience
- Probably unavailable for Cambridge Science students
East Timor and Fundraising

- No tour this year for students.
- Trip available in 2015 for those interested.
- Charity focus for the year with regular stalls.
- Regular meetings for fund raising committee.
- Excellent impact last year with large group.
- Full risk assessment will always be conducted.
- Mrs Chiba has full details.
Any questions?

• Direct Line  9704 5673 or 0458 497249
• Try email  lbrewer@plc.nsw.edu.au
• Will get back to you ASAP
• Letters inviting applications for exchange positions will be distributed to students early in Term 1.
• Language exchanges to Japan, France, Italy and China have slightly different criteria.