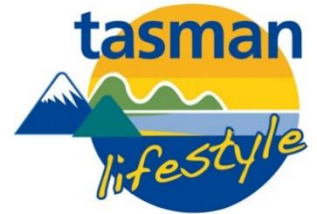




The Richmond Region



Richmond is an ideal place for your child to live during their time as an international student here in New Zealand. As the main centre within the Tasman district, Richmond is a popular choice amongst our international families. Here's why we think Richmond is such a great location.

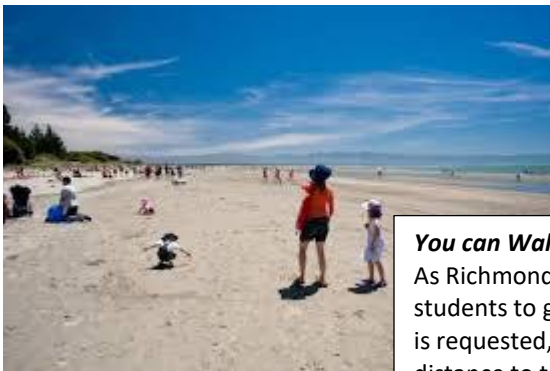
Richmond is a Safe Community

With a population of around 47000 people in the Tasman district, Richmond is considered a small and safe town for families to raise their children in. It is common for people that live in Richmond to see others they know whilst walking down the street or doing their shopping. It is a safe and friendly community where people know each other well and take pride in looking after one another.



Richmond has Lots of English Speakers

Tasman district has only a very small non-European population. This means that almost everywhere your student goes, they will experience the English language. Students that live in Richmond improve their English skills very quickly because of our high density of speakers who have English as a first language.



You can Walk Anywhere in Richmond

As Richmond is a small town, it is easy for our international students to get to different places. Unless a rural homestay is requested, most of our students live within walking distance to the Intermediate. This means they will also live within walking distance of our local shopping centres as well as the ASB Aquatic Centre. Many of our students walk or cycle to school then meet friends at the shopping mall after classes or during the weekend.

Richmond has Great Facilities

Despite being a small town, Richmond has all the facilities a family needs as part of their day-to-day life. We have a small shopping mall containing a food court that is always popular with our international students, as well as a main street with all kinds of different and interesting shops. Richmond has banks, food stores, clothing shops and sport stores all within walking distance of Waimea Intermediate.



Richmond has a Great Climate

Richmond has a warm sunny climate and is well known in New Zealand for its high sunshine hours. For our international students that are accustomed to warmer temperatures, Richmond provides an easy beginning to a student's time in New Zealand. The temperature in Richmond is around the mid-twenties at the start of the school year.