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Accolade for Japan Sister School

Ashburton College and Tokorozawa Kita High School, Japan, have enjoyed a Sister School relationship and College has welcomed annual visits from Tokorozawa for what will be the twenty second consecutive year this year. The city of Tokorozawa is located in the Saitama Prefecture, located north west of Tokyo.

Last Friday, 26 January, Tokorozawa Kita High School's Principal was invited to the New Zealand Embassy in Tokyo where he received a commendation in acknowledgement of their school's long-term, consistent link and interactions with Ashburton College.



(Pictured above, left to right): With the presentation certificate - Ms Misako Kitaoka, Education New Zealand in Japan; Stephen Payton, New Zealand Ambassador to Japan; Mr Hanaoka, Ambassador of Japan's Special Admiral and Plenipotentiary in New Zealand; Mr Kikuchi, Principal; and Mr Morita, Sales Development Manager of Air New Zealand.

In contacting Ashburton College, Tokorozawa's Principal, who has been a regular visitor to our College, noted their appreciation of Ashburton College's support.

Annually, a group of approximately thirty students and two staff visit us at Ashburton College for around eleven-twelve days, involving themselves in College life, local school and Rest Home visits, trips to Tekapo, Christchurch or other venues, and valuing their Homestay time with College students and their families.

College tours to Japan were started in 1991, and have taken place generally every two years. On these occasions College groups are able to enjoy Tokorozawa Kita High School's hospitality.

This has been a pleasurable and meaningful relationship of mutual gain and inter-cultural understanding for students and staff of both schools, and Ashburton College congratulates Tokorozawa on their well-justified award.