

## Onsite Cultural Exchange

### 1. Date and venue

Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2023,  
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  
Venue: Kyosai Elementary School

### 2. Participant

Ms. SUGAYA Mariko, Principal

### 3. Counterpart

Mr. Michael Malins, Principal,  
Ms. Ellen Chueh, Director,  
Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School,  
Auckland, New Zealand

### 4. Schedule

#### 1. Greetings with the principal

#### 2. School tour

- Tour of classrooms, swimming pool, gymnasium,  
and others

#### 3. Exchange of opinions with teachers

#### 4. Commemorative photo

## Kyosai Elementary School Visit by New Zealand teachers



Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School's  
Japanese-language pamphlet



Commemorative photo at the entrance  
gate of Kyosai Elementary School

### 5. Additional information

- ◆ Blockhouse Bay Intermediate School and Kyosai Elementary School plan to hold online exchanges. Details are to be decided.
- ◆ Teachers exchanged views on the education systems of both countries in the principal's office. There were many inquiries especially on Tokyo's school lunch system.
- ◆ They started the school tour by visiting lunchroom first at the request of Mr. Malins and Ms. Chueh.
- ◆ The New Zealand teachers seemed amazed to find that, in Japan, there were swimming lessons using a rooftop pool, that the students used cooking utensils in home economics classes, and that students were allowed also to use electric saws.