

Welcome Speech

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Osaka and our school.

I'm Toru Matsumoto, principal of Shijonawate HS. I would like to express our warmest welcome to everyone of Bundaberg State HS. We are very happy that you have come all the way to Japan and visited our school. We will do the best to make your stay as enjoyable and comfortable as possible.

Bundy high students, how is your trip in Japan so far? I think that you you were surprised to see a lot of people, vending machines and convenience stores in Japan. And I am worried that you may be a little tired.

But don't worry. Osaka is a city full of human warmth. I think that people in Osaka are the most friendly in Japan. And I think that food is the most delicious, too. In Osaka, we have a lot of cheap and delicious food. Please try it. Tell your buddy or host family that you want to eat delicious Osaka food. You will have a good experience and become more healthy.

Nawako students, let's show Bundy high students how great our school is. Don't be shy and don't hesitate to talk to them. We are very precious friends, brothers and sisters. Enjoy our time together.

It has been nine years since Bundaberg and Shijonawate started our exchange program. We have also been sister schools for four years. I hope this opportunity will make our relationship stronger and contribute to the development of the education in both two schools.

Again, Welcome to Japan and I wish you the best of luck.

Thank you.