What is this course about?

What occurs to mind when you hear of Japan? Artistic writing? Exotic food? Learning Japanese is like getting on a magic carpet; it will take you to a completely different world full of bustling people with warm smiles. It will give you an opportunity to taste their mysterious sounds, colours, and unique lifestyle. If you want to broaden your horizons and increase your employment opportunities, this Japanese course will definitely appeal to you.

Students will learn:

- To get the gist of a range of texts and pick up some new language from its use in context when listening and reading.
- To demonstrate knowledge about the conventions that are used when interacting with people in the wider community in Japan, for example, when travelling on public transport and when booking events.
- Students will study a wide range of everyday situations: descriptions of self and others, daily routines, hobbies, school, travel, and holidays. The focus will be on communication functions and the vital components necessary to succeed include learning Hiragana, Katakana, and Kanji.

What sorts of things will I do?

We will do various learning activities such as games, research and presentations, and watch Japanese movies and dramas in the learning community. We will visit Japanese restaurants to experience authentic Japanese food, also you will use your Japanese skills to order food. With increased confidence, we will connect you with other Japanese-speaking students and guests via email/Google Meet, etc.

What standards can I enter in 2024?										
NCEA Level	Number	Name of standard	Crs	Assessment	Assessment Mode	Dates				
ASHS Assessment		Developing strategies to express, communicate and make meaning of personal and simple information for interactions in everyday situations.		Internal	Multi-Skill Folio	Term 1				
1.2	91957	Communicate in Japanese for a chosen purpose	5	Internal	Speech Presentation	Term 2				

					Video format	
1.1	91956	Interact in spoken Japanese to share and respond to information, ideas, and opinions	5	Internal	Conversation Video Format	Term 3