

Kære fremtidige værtsfamilie,
Hej fra Australien!



Mit navn er Izzy Welsh, og jeg er en femtenårig pige fra Canberra i Australien. Først og fremmest vil jeg gerne takke jer for at have åbnet jeres hjem for mig og givet mig mulighed for at opleve noget helt særligt. Jeg besøgte Danmark i 2025 og forelskede mig i landet. Jeg taler ikke et ord dansk, men det håber jeg bestemt at ændre på! Jeg følte mig dog så hjemme og fredfyldt. Det er et smukt land, og befolkningen er så ægte og dejlig. Jeg besøgte København og var også i Næstved. Jeg elsker Danmark af hele mit hjerte, og jeg er så utrolig spændt på at starte et nyt kapitel i mit liv sammen med jer på mit yndlingssted.



Jeg betragter mig selv som en meget uafhængig og organiseret person. Jeg vedder altid min seng som det første om morgenen, og jeg hader at have et rodet soveværelse. Jeg elsker at gøre ting, der giver mig mulighed for at følge min egen vej og udforske tingene, som jeg går. For eksempel at lave et selvstændigt projekt i skolen eller tage til et ukendt sted og bevidst fave vild for at udforske nye ting. Jeg kan nogle gange være stille i starten, hvis jeg ikke er fortrolig med omgivelserne, men når jeg først er blevet tryk, kan jeg være meget udadvendt og sprudlende.

I skolen kan jeg godt lide historie og geografi. Jeg elsker at lære om verden og livet i andre lande. Uden for skolen er jeg konkurrencedanser. Jeg danser meget ballet, jazz, moderne danse, da jeg var omkring to år gammel, men holdt op i et par år. Før jeg begyndte igen, da jeg var otte år. Jeg elsker at danse, fordi jeg kan udtrykke mig gennem ~~be~~ bevægelse, og jeg elsker at danse med alle mine bedste venner! Dans er noget, jeg gerne vil fortsætte med i fremtiden, når jeg er færdig med skolen.

Med mine venner nyder jeg at shoppe, se film og jeg nyder også meget at lytte til musik. Min yndlingssanger er Billie Eilish. Jeg har også en kat, der hedder Voldemort, og en hund, der hedder Bella, som jeg elsker meget.

Jeg bor hjemme hos min mor Claudia og min søster Charlotte, der snart fylder 18 år. Vi elsker at spise sammen, tilbringe tid sammen og tage på ferie. Jeg elsker at lave mad sammen med min mor, selvom vi ikke får gjort det så ofte. Jeg elsker at bage kager og småkager. Jeg er meget tæt knyttet til min mor, så jeg kan godt føle hjemve, når jeg er i Danmark, men jeg tror, det er helt normalt, og jeg er sikker på, at jeg nok skal klare det! Når jeg er sammen med min far Andrew, der bor i en anden by, nyder vi at stå på ski sammen. Jeg har også to halv søskende, der bor sammen med min far, Matthew, der er otte, og Emily, der er seks. Jeg ser dem ikke så tit, men når jeg ser dem, elsker vi at spille spil, se film, og de nyder også at stå på ski.

Vinteren er min yndlingsårstid på grund af den smukke sne! Jeg elsker at lave snemænd, stå på ski og sidde ved pejsen med en kop varm kakao. En dag vil jeg gerne se nordlyset. Da jeg var i København, sneede det, og det fik mig til at elske landet endnu mere. Jeg er meget åben for at få nye venner og opleve nye og spændende muligheder. Tak fordi du læste mit brev og for at gøre denne oplevelse mulig! ~~Vi~~ Vi ses i 2026!

Langt kærlige hilsner fra Izzy!



Dear Host Parent/s,

My name is Claudia, and I thank you for generously considering having Izzy as an exchange student.

We live in Canberra, which is small city about 3 hours drive from Sydney. I grew up up here and moved away to study nursing at Sydney University. Izzy, her sister Charlotte, and I moved here when she was 3, shortly after her dad I split up. My mum lives nearby and helped a lot when the girls were small. Izzy's dad Andy lives in Melbourne; he grew up in the UK and his mum and brother are still there. Izzy and Charlotte used to spend a lot of time in Melbourne, though school and dance commitments make that harder during term time. We have a good relationship, and he supports this exchange.

Izzy is a bright, warm, and affectionate child who is extremely loyal to her friends and family. At home she often helps me with the household jobs such as cooking, washing & unpacking the dishwasher. I rarely have to ask her to help me with chores which is great, but she loves sleeping in and it can be hard to wake her up for school.

Izzy has been to a couple of different high schools and is pretty resilient, I am confident she will make an effort to fit in and she is pretty excited about the prospect of attending school and living overseas. At school she is undertaking the High Performance Program for sport as she is a competitive dancer which gives her some supervised study time during the school day, to complete her homework. Izzy is usually very organised, and a great planner !

When not at school, Izzy is at dance, she is a competitive dancer and a member of the MAK'S Ballet troupe. Next weekend she is competing interstate. Dance takes up most of her free time, she recently completed her Royal Academy of Dance exams. I think she has watched every season of Dance Mum's on Netflix, multiple times. I am definitely not a typical dance mum, but I am proud of her. She has done well, and I admire her commitment.

Last year she saw The English National Ballet perform the Nutcracker in London with her sister and grandmother, I took her to see the Australian Ballet perform Carmen at the Sydney Opera House.

We love to travel and had a trip to Europe and the UK planned last year. Unfortunately, I had to have some unexpected surgery which prevented me from going, but the girls went without me and spent some quality time with their grandma, uncle, and cousins. Their uncle took my place for a wintery new year in Copenhagen. I was sad to miss out, but I could see the fireworks through the window via Face Time.

Izzy is quite adventurous; she is an excellent skier. Last winter Izzy worked as snow sports assistant, helping the ski instructors teach children how to ski. Izzy loves Billie Eilish and seeing live bands, we saw Billie together in Sydney earlier this year. She also saw Gracie Abrams and managed to find her way to her grandfather's house in Sydney using public

transport & then on to the stadium which is a long way out of the city. She had not spent much time in Sydney without me & it is quite a big city.

It will be hard not having Izzy with me every day, but this is an unmissable life opportunity. I think she might be a bit lonely at first, but I know she will make the most every second.

Having Izzy in your home will be a pleasure and I am sure she will slot in easily with your family.

Yours sincerely,

Claudia