



Japanese Family Society of Queenstown

About us

The Japanese Family Society of Queenstown is a non-profit organisation created in 2011 to connect the Japanese community with Queenstown residents. We facilitate and organise activities that not only benefit the Japanese community by providing cultural and social support but also enrich the wider Queenstown community by promoting diversity, cultural understanding, and social cohesion.

We connect people through:

- » Japanese language classes for the children of our community and for non-Japanese speakers
- » Providing opportunities for recreational and sporting activities
- » Facilitating wellbeing workshops and English language training
- » Sharing our culture with the wider community through annual cultural events
- » Coordinating a shared Japanese book collection within the community

Our Queenstown Lakes community

Our community includes families, children, students, seniors, working individuals, visitors. Whether you've lived here for a short or long time, everyone is welcome.

Our events and activities

- » **Cultural Festivals:** We participate in local cultural festivals, showcasing Japanese traditions through food, kids' games, tea ceremonies, kimono wearing, and calligraphy.
- » **Japanese Language Education:** We offer classes for children within our community and for non-Japanese speakers who are interested in learning the Japanese language.
- » **Kids and Community Clubs:** Through our Kids Club, Origami Club, the Wasabi Choir Group, Ukulele Club, and Baseball Club, we provide regular opportunities for children and adults to engage in fun, educational, and recreational activities.
- » **Recreational Activities:** Our society promotes physical fitness through activities like baseball, badminton, and frisbee, as well as art and music workshops, fostering cultural exchange among diverse participants.
- » **Wellbeing and Mental Health:** We provide resources, workshops, and support for the wellbeing and mental health of Japanese residents living in the area.



Keep connected

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