

Mei-Ling - Free to be me

This year, I started to like Leicester more and more. I signed up for a club called Toastmasters and I also signed up for Japanese classes, so I got to know people who were not culturally or ethnically like me, but whose interests are similar to mine.

This made me feel much better than during my first year in Leicester. I think the diversity is how I feel I belong to Leicester, because there are so many people from all over the world. When I first moved to the UK, I was always concerned about my accent and worried that people might not understand me or would not like me just because of what I look like. But because Leicester is so diverse, I feel safe here because lots of people are like me, are internationals.