**Thank you for showing an interest in becoming a Host Family for us.**

The St Neots English Centre Ltd have groups of foreign students (including Spanish, French, Italian Taiwanese, Chinese, and Russian) come over to Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire throughout the year. Some groups stay for a week, others for up to 4 weeks. The students are here to study and experience life as a student in England - normally the student’s integrate into a local school Monday to Friday.

As a host family you would be required to:

* Provide a clean and tidy **bedroom with a fixed permanent bed** (students can share rooms, but must have their own bed).
* **Welcome** them into your home and include them in your family life, offering them a **friendly** and **safe** environment to stay.
* Provide **3 meals** per day
* *Breakfast* – cereal, toast, juice etc
* *Lunch / Packed lunch* – which must consist of at least a round of sandwiches, fruit, snack and drink (crisps or crudities are a nice bonus)
* *Dinner* – a variety of cooked nutritious meals, with a healthy balance of protein, carbohydrates and vegetables / salad

*(We do not insist you buy the most expensive food but a variety is required and basics such as bread, milk, butter, tea etc are essential)*

* **Pick up and drop off students** and their **luggage** at designated meeting point (normally the local school) **on first and last day**
* Show your guests **the route to / from school** – either the walk to the nearest appropriate public bus stop, serviced coach stop (if applicable), train station or the school (if close enough). (Students normally have weekly bus tickets)
* **P**i**ck up and drop off students** at designated point (normally the school) for **weekend excursions**.
* Allow students to use your washing machine if required.

We accept various background host families, as long as **English is spoken as the main language** within the household. We insist on English being spoken at all times when the students are with you.

**A standard weekly itinerary for our students is:**

MONDAY TO FRIDAY – integration at local school, following school timetable

SATURDAYS – all day excursion (e.g. London or Cambridge)

SUNDAYS – all day excursion or Host Family Day (to spend quality time with the host family & practise spoken English)

EVENINGS – dinner with host family

**Please contact us on 01480 475093 for more information.**