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Dear Parents/Students

Urgently Required - Volunteer hosts for Argentinian Students

The Spanish Department has a successful link with an English language school near Buenos Aires which we visited on an exchange in summer 2015. The group visited us in January 2015 and many of you met these students when they attended lessons with their partners and volunteer hosts.

I am urgently looking for volunteer host families for two of the students from Argentina, both girls. Their English is excellent so they do not need to be with a family that knows Spanish. One or two week options are possible between 17 January and 1 February 2016.

Maria Lujan is 13 years old, the daughter of one of the teachers. She was looked after by students in years 8 and 10. Celeste is 17 years old and already knows Salisbury as she visited last year with the group in January. It would be nice for them if there was a sister in the host households around a similar age.

They would require board and lodging, but would be expected to pay for transport to school when required. They may go to the school canteen for a hot lunch, or bring a packed lunch by arrangement with you. During the school day, they would go to lessons with the host partner, or go on trips organised by the Kaplan language school in an organised programme. Families would not be expected to put on any additional activities or visits, they would simply like to experience daily school, social and family life in England, to meet family and friends and take part in their usual activities where possible, to practise and improve their English.

Last January, the host partners who were studying Spanish spoke to them in Spanish, and they replied in English, and they found this very helpful, especially in preparation for oral exams. This may lead to a return visit at some time in the future.

If you are interested in hosting one of the students, please email me fcm@bws.wilts.sch.uk as soon as possible providing **your full contact details, the name of the student you could host and the length of time during the two week period (one or two weeks) you would be able to accommodate them.**

Many thanks in advance for your kind offers.

Yours sincerely

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