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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Chinese Visitors 2020

Bohunt Education Trust has been working with a company called UK-China Education (their office is based in Guildford) for about six months in order to increase the amount of cultural interaction between UK and Chinese students and teachers. We have heard excellent feedback from schools who have engaged in this initiative as it helps develop the children's understanding of the wider world.

In July 2019, Camelsdale Primary School participated and they have expressed how the whole experience benefited their school children. Next June / July, I would like our children to also have the opportunity to benefit from this cultural exchange and further develop our understanding of the wider world.

We have the opportunity to host one group of Chinese children (aged 8-11 years old) at our school either at the end of June or the first week in July (these dates will be confirmed early in 2020). The children will arrive in this country on the Sunday and leave the following Sunday. The Chinese children will spend time in school Monday to Friday, including an hour of after school activities. We will provide a hot school meal for the exchange children at lunchtime. They will spend the evenings with their host family and take part in school based clubs/activities.

We are therefore looking for families to express an interest who would be willing to either take one or ideally two children and host for a week. The Chinese children can share a room with your children. All the Chinese children want is to get a unique British experience and learn about British culture. The benefits for our children are that they will learn what life is like for a Chinese school child and identify the similarities and differences. We have managed to obtain funding for this and you will be paid £20 per night to host the children.

If you are interested in hosting **one or ideally two** Chinese children (subject to being given full information at a future information evening and all adults in the household completing a DBS check) then please could you indicate on the slip below and return to the office by **Friday 29th November** to indicate your interest and whether you could host children. I just need to gauge the interest. I will be hosting two children myself as this is an excellent opportunity to widen our links beyond Europe and help to develop truly global citizens for the future. We are not expecting to take our children back to Chinawe are purely hosting!

Yours sincerely,

John Galvin Headteacher

Chinese Host Family

(Please return this slip to the school office no later than Friday 29th November)

I would like to express an interest in hosting a Chinese child or Chinese children for a week next summer.

I would be happy to accommodate

OR

I would be happy to accommodate

TWO CHILDREN

Parent's Name

Date

Your child/ren's name/s