



# MAYFLOWER COLLEGE

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Dear Host Family,

Thank you very much for your enquiry about the possibility of hosting our international students during their stay in Plymouth.

We regard the students' stay with you, the host family, as a key element in the service we provide and are therefore always keen to attract genuine new host families who will make the students feel welcome and included in British family life. The rates for hosting students for 2016 are as follows:

<b>Individual Adult Student</b>	<b>£94 per week</b>
<b>Individual Junior Student</b>	<b>£98 per week</b>

Before we can arrange for any students to stay with you, either a colleague or myself will arrange to meet you in person. In order to move forward with your application and arrange this meeting we would be grateful if you could complete the attached 'Homestay Questionnaire' and return it to us.

The details you provide will be used to give students accurate information about you and will, in turn, allow us to obtain similar details from our agents about students. On the questionnaire, please feel free to add details that you consider useful or relevant.

I have also enclosed a copy of the college's *Code of Practice* that we would like you to read carefully. The *Code of Practice* details our requirements from host families. Please sign and return this to the college with your completed questionnaire. You will be given a Host Family Handbook at your appointment (the handbook contains a copy of the *Code of Practice* to which you can refer).

After your home visit, each member of your household age 18 or over, will need to sign a declaration form stating that neither you nor any member of your household has any criminal convictions against children, and that you will give permission for the college to make any relevant checks. ID (passport or photo driving license) of those family members should also be shown to the visiting officer. Mayflower College may request DBS checks, and where required we will share the cost with you (we will pay 50% of the cost and the other 50% will be deducted from the payment of your first booking). We also ask you to supply details for one referee to support your application to become a host family. A fire risk assessment will also be completed and a copy of your gas safety check certificate should be provided when you are visited.

We would appreciate your help with these matters, and your details will, of course, be treated in the strictest of confidence.

We will contact you to make an appointment upon receipt of your completed forms.

Yours sincerely,

**Neil Vogler**  
**Student Services & Accommodation**