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2019 Host Families Needed



In 2019 Kaleen Primary will again be hosting a volunteer Japanese Language Teacher's Assistant (JTA) from Kagoshima University in southern Japan. The volunteer will be a female student. During her stay, she will be assisting me in Japanese language classes as well as Japanese language-related extracurricular activities including the Japanese Choir and the ACT Japanese Speech Contest, while also hoping to improve her English skills.

A JTA is a home stay within the school community and pays a contribution towards food and board of \$170 a week to her host family. The assistant needs her own room but can share the family bathroom. The host family does not have to live in Kaleen. A family can host a JTA multiple times.

This program has been used in ACT schools since 2004 and is of great benefit to both the Japanese program and to the families who become involved. Families really enjoy this experience as it allows them to expand their knowledge and understanding of Japan and its people as well as contribute to the life of the school. This is an ideal way to encourage your children to engage with the Japanese language and culture and make lifelong friends.

Kaleen Primary School is seeking expressions of interest from families who would be willing to host our JTA for a period of 10 weeks in either term 2, term 3 or term 4. Please indicate your preference below. The host family for Term 2 might be asked to accommodate a JTA a little longer as she is likely to arrive towards the end of the April school holidays.

If you are able to assist us or would like more information, please return the slip below to the front office. This program relies heavily on the support and hospitality of the school community and your generosity is much appreciated.

Mari Kitasaka
Japanese Language Teacher

Parent's/Carer's Name _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

Child's Name and Class _____

- We would be interested in hosting a JTA (circle as appropriate) in

Term 2 3 4

- We would like more information on this program so please phone or email us.