From 21 June to 26 August Xavier High School will have the opportunity to welcome a small number of French students arriving for an 8-week Language Immersion Program. Previous to that, a 15 year old boy from France, Pablo, arrives into Australia in April for One semester, and is very enthusiastic about attending Xavier.

Our School would like to offer our students and their families the chance to host one of these language students from France.

Accepting a student gives your son or daughter the perfect opportunity to learn about the culture of France and practice his/her French with a native speaker their same age. The French students are enthusiastically looking forward to accelerating their English language skills, developing new Australian friends and increasing their cultural awareness. This experience also promotes diversity in the Xavier LOTE classroom and the school community in general.

All students in the Language Immersion Program are monitored by Nacel Australia (an international student exchange organisation). Their local Coordinator will provide pastoral care for the students throughout their stay, will maintain contact with the school and host family, and will also assist with domestic transfers to and from the airport and the host family’s home.

The French student is required to pay for all school expenses, public transport, outings, personal and incidental spending. Additionally, Nacel Australia will assist hosting families with reimbursement of out of pocket expenses.

If you cannot host a student for the whole eight weeks, a sharing arrangement can be organised.

Should your family be able to provide a warm, supportive environment to welcome a young French student, or require further information about the program please contact me on 6040 6388 or email arandam@ww.catholic.edu.au.

I look forward to hearing from you about this exciting program.

Maria Aranda
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