

## Winter Hosting Guidelines 2019

- The International Student Support team will match interested students and interested hosts based on information given in the application forms. Hosts and students should attend one of the Meet and Greet sessions on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm or December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in order to meet one another and make arrangements. The location of these meetings are forthcoming. If unable to meet beforehand, hosts and students can correspond by phone or email to make arrangements.
- If things change and you are unable to meet your host/student during the Christmas vacation, please contact International Student Support at [international-support@york.ac.uk](mailto:international-support@york.ac.uk) as well as the person you have arranged to meet.
- If students would like to be hosted with a friend, both students will need to make their intentions clear on their applications. Likewise, if hosts would like to host more than one student at a time, please indicate this on your application. International Student Support will do their best to accommodate the preferences of hosts and students.
- Hosts should make it clear to students what to expect in terms of proper attire, length of visit, pets, other people in attendance, or any other helpful information. Students should be respectful and courteous to hosts and be prepared for the type of visit you will have arranged.
- Winter Hosting should be easy and comfortable. The best way to ensure this is to communicate with one another. While most visits last only a few hours, some have lasted much longer. Some hosts have hosted students on multiple days over the Christmas vacation. Some hosts and students have agreed to overnight stays. Some students have asked to prepare something from their home country. Some visits take place at winter markets while others involve ice skating and hot chocolate. Whatever it is you decide to do, or would like to do, it is important that hosts and students clearly discuss this.
- If you have any further questions or would like to speak with a member of International Student Support, please email [international-support@york.ac.uk](mailto:international-support@york.ac.uk) or call us at 01904 324140.