

# CHIT CHAT 2019

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**CHIT CHAT** is all about learning English in a fun way. Based in Jávea right next to the beautiful blue waters of the Mediterranean, there is no better opportunity to develop language skills as well as enjoy a fun and interactive timetable of complementary activities, such as kayaking, archery, enjoying the golden sands of the Arenal beach and even braving the huge slides of Aqualandia. In this newsletter, the students of J2 talk about their own experiences as we ask them: Would you come back next year? The majority of the answers have been - YES!

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We start with María who is 12 years old and comes from Burgos.

*On the first day I was a little bit nervous but also quite excited. I joined my host family which was led by Caroline with her children Mason, Taylor, Savannah and Indiana; they were all very kind to me.*

*For the first two hours of the day we improve our English; it's a bit boring but I have learnt new things to help me.*

*For me, the best activity was the day trip to Aqualandia whilst the kayaking was good fun too.*

*All the monitors and teachers are kind and I have made a lot of new friends. I think that I will come back to Chit Chat next year!*

***My name is Adri and I come from Elche.** I felt very nervous because when I arrived I didn't have any friends but soon I met Alfredo who was staying with me in the host family house, the Wrights, who have a very big swimming pool and excellent views as well as two dogs and two cats.*

*The lessons were good for my level and I have learnt a lot. The teachers are excellent and some of them are very funny so we have a good time learning.*

*The activities have included such things as basketball and football but my favourite has been the archery because I'm very good at it. We have also done some special activities such as kayaking and a trip to Aqualandia as well as an afternoon on the beach. My favourite was the kayaking.*

*I think Chit Chat is a very good camp to learn English and have some fun during the summer. Will I come back? Maybe. But actually I want to go to another country next year!*



# “I LOVE THE ACTIVITIES!”

## Learning English the fun way at Chit Chat

***My name is Martina and I'm 12 years old and from Bilbao. I travelled to Chit Chat by car and it took seven hours to get here! On the first day I was nervous because I thought that I wouldn't know anybody. But when I arrived at the camp I found some of friends from last year.***

*The lessons were good but the activities were much more fun! My favourite was the trip to Aqualandia whilst on Saturday night we went and watch the 'Moors & Christians' fiesta in Jávea and I saw one of my teachers in the parade!*

*I will come back next year and I want to bring a friend because the two times I have been here have been fantastic!*

***My name is Sara and I'm 12 years old and from Rafelbunyol near Valencia. I came to Chit Chat because my parents saw that it was a very good way to improve English as well as have some fun during the summer.***

*I love the activities! We went to Aqualandia and went on all the slides which was very exciting. Then we went kayaking in the sea and went to a beach where we could swim.*

*My host family are very nice and they have a swimming pool and we also play games in the evening.*

***I'm Irune from Alicante and I'm 12. The teachers at Chit Chat are very funny and creative so we can improve our English very well. After the lessons there are activities and my favourite is the art and craft session. I loved going to Aqualandia and especially going kayaking as I love the sea.***

*My host family has been very nice. They have a big house with a swimming pool and they are great cooks. In fact I prefer their food to the Chit Chat lunches!*

***My name is Sofia and I'm 13 years old from Gandía. I came to Chit Chat last year and had so much fun that I came back. I learn a lot during the lessons and all the teachers are funny and very nice.***

*I love all the activities but my favourite was the trip to Aqualandia because I love the slides and I went*



*on all of them with my friends.*

*My host family is really nice. After Chit Chat we have fun in their swimming pool and then we call our parents to talk to them about our day. After dinner (I really liked the curry rice!) we play games like Uno or on the Nintendo Wii.*

*I have really enjoyed Chit Chat and I would love to come back next year!*



# **“THESE TWO WEEKS HAVE BEEN FUN!”**

## **Learning English the fun way at Chit Chat**



***I'm Jimena from Madrid and I'm 14 years old. I was a little nervous on the first day because I didn't know anybody but that soon changed.***

*The teachers at Chit Chat are funny and kind people and they have helped me to improve my English.*

*The activities are fun and we can play in the swimming pool, play ping pong or do archery. We also went to Aqualandia and then we went kayaking. These two weeks have been so much fun.*

***My name is Gisela and I'm 9 and from Jávea. On the first day I was nervous but in the end it was fun. The classes are very good and we normally do some book work or games before the break. I like the teachers as they are very funny.***

*I want to come back next year!*

***I'm Hector, I'm 13 and from Valencia. The camp has been a very good experience and the teachers are very nice. I liked going kayaking and the food has been very good.***

***My name is Ainhoa and I'm 10 years old and from Albal in Valencia. I came to Chit Chat because my parents wanted me to come. I was very nervous on the first day but afterwards I was fine. The activities are so much fun and I like the food because it is delicious! In general Chit Chat is great because there is something for everyone.***

***My name is Natalia, I'm from Jávea and I'm 13 years old. I was very surprised when I arrived and found an old friend here; she's very funny but she talks a lot! I came to Chit Chat to learn English and have fun. I like playing in the swimming pool, especially the water polo and I'm always the goalkeeper because I'm very tall.***

***I'm Antonio, I'm 11 and from Madrid. It took five hours to get here and I'm staying in an apartment near the Arenal beach with my mum, my sisters and my cousin. I came to Chit Chat because my parents said that I had to come! I was very nervous on my first day but I have made many new friends and it's good now. The classes are fun and they pass by very quickly. Chit Chat is very fun!***

***My name is Aurora and I'm 11 years old and from Valencia. This is my fourth year at Chit Chat. My host family are great fun and I love the food because it's always different. I think that my class level is perfect for me and I like my teacher and my classmates.***

***I'm Santiago from Madrid and I'm 11 years old. I came to Chit Chat to learn more English. I was very nervous on the first day but after making some new friends I feel much better. The teachers are great although I don't like the classes too much!***



# “THE TEACHERS ARE THE BEST!”

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***My name is Claudia and I'm 7 years old and from Madrid. The best thing about Chit Chat are the teachers but I don't like the basketball!***

***I'm Paul from Gijón and I'm 10 years old. I also think the best thing about Chit Chat are the teachers! I like playing football but I don't like playing basketball. I also don't like the tables!***

***My name is Martina and I'm 9 years old and from Madrid. The best thing about Chit Chat is ... EVERYTHING!***

***I'm Irene from Gandía and I'm 13 years old. I came to Chit Chat because my friend said that it was a fantastic experience and I wanted to stay with an English family. They are fantastic. The house is clean and they have a swimming pool and a dog called Albi. The food is delicious as well!***

***I'm Marta and I'm 13 years old and from Gandía. My host family is very nice, my friend said that they were very cool and funny and she was right!***

***My name is Tatiana and I'm a 14 year old girl from Jávea. I came to Chit Chat because I need to learn English. I was surprised by the location because I thought it would be impossible that there would be a class in the mountains!***

***My name is Elsa and I'm 13 from Zaragoza. I came to Chit Chat because I wanted to improve my English as well as have some fun. It's my first time and we do a lot of activities such as basketball, football, crafts and water polo. My favourite is the crafts. I have made a lot of new friends at Chit Chat.***

***I'm Natalia and I'm from Jávea. I came to Chit Chat because I don't speak English very well and I need it for work in the future. The first day was fine and the classes are fun because the teachers are very friendly.***

***My name is Alaia and I'm 15 years old and from Vitoria. I came to Chit Chat because my parents said I had to. The host family is fun and we do a lot of things. They have a big house with a swimming pool and a big garden. I had a good time at Chit Chat and I really liked the whole experience.***





# “THE CLASSES ARE ENTERTAINING!”

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**My name is Carmen and I'm 12 years old from Valencia.** I came to Chit Chat because it was recommended to me by my friend Maria who had been before and because my parents thought that it would be a good idea for improving my English.

**My name is Maria and I'm from Valencia.** I have been coming to Chit Chat for three years and I like it a lot because it's great to live with an English family to help improve by talking with them. The classes are also entertaining and a very good way to learn more.

I also came back because I like the format of the day at Chit Chat with the breaks and the activities such as swimming, crafts and my favourite one, kayaking. I also enjoyed going to Aqualandia and to the Arenal but I have to admit that I didn't really like doing the yoga.

I think that doing the projects are a good way to improve our English and learn about other things as we are working on it. It's great that we can show our parents what we've been working on.

I was going to go to English this summer but I think that Chit Chat is great. I have so much fun and I learn more English without having to leave the country!

**I'm Lucia from Madrid and I'm 13 years old.** I came to Chit Chat because I wanted to improve my English. It's my third year. I have found that it is a place where you can have fun and speak English

with the teacher and the host family. The classes are funny and we have great fun with our teacher.

**I'm Victoria, I'm 14 and I'm from Alicante.** I know Jávea well because my aunt and uncle live here. I came to Chit Chat because they recommended it to my mother because it has a good reputation. I was going to spend the summer in Ireland but this was a good alternative. I

t's a great camp for teenagers with classes, sports and sometimes we go to the beach. But most importantly we speak English all the time!

**I'm Javier from Logroño and I'm 14 years old.** I came to Chit Chat because my parents spoke with some friends from Alicante who told them about the camp and me and my brother accepted the chance to go somewhere where we could improve our English. It's my first year and I had a lot of fun. Chit Chat is a big camp with lots of things to do and lots of space to do sports and other activities.

I'm staying with a nice host family and I feel very comfortable with them and with the people of Chit Chat in general. We do many things with the family such as visiting a communal swimming pool with other kids from Chit Chat or go to a football pitch to play a game. It's been a great experience and I would to do it again next year!



# “CHIT CHAT IS A GREAT PLACE!”

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***My name is Amaia, a 13 year old from a village called Albaina in the Basque Country. My sister came to Chit Chat last year and she had a lot of fun so this year I made the seven hour journey to get to Jávea.***

*I'm staying with a host family that has a beautiful house and a big swimming pool. They are very nice and have a daughter who is the same age as me.*

*The camp has different levels for learning and improving English; I'm in the top level. After the lessons we have activities such as table tennis, swimming and basketball. In the evening we stay with the host family and play games or go on outings.*

*I think Chit Chat is a great place to have fun and learn English!*

***I'm Alfredo from Granada and I'm 13 years old. I came to Chit Chat last year and I have come back because it was a great opportunity to improve my English as well as make new friends. Also, to stay with English families means that you can learn a lot from them as well.***

*All the teachers are fun and their classes are very good. We also do some extra activities such as talking about subjects such as pollution and bullying - all in English!*

***My name is Hugo and I'm a 13 year old from Barcelona. I have come back to Chit Chat because I had a great time last year. My teacher is great and I'm very comfortable with the level of English.***

*In the afternoon you can do a lot of things such as play table tennis, football, tennis, etc. and we also do things like go to Aqualandia and kayaking in the sea.*

*Every Wednesday we go to the Arenal beach which is fun because you can be with your friends and you can buy things from the shops and market.*

***Hello! I'm Álvaro, 13, and from Zaragoza. I came to Chit Chat again because I wanted to improve my English as well as have a good time during the summer.***

*Our host family was great. They have a big house with a swimming pool, two kitchens, a big living room and three bedrooms. They also have a dog called Buddy.*

*Our classes are fun and we improve our English. After lunch we have the opportunity to try many activities such as swimming, football and crafts.*

*In the evenings we spent our time with our host family and we also learn new things; Hugo tried to teach me a backflip into the swimming pool and I almost got it!*



# “IT WAS SO GOOD I CAME BACK!”

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*I'm Lucia and I'm 15 from Valencia. I came to Chit Chat last year because at my school told me about it. I enjoyed it so much that I returned this summer. Chit Chat really helps you to improve your accent and your vocabulary.*

*Chit Chat has a lot of facilities like a swimming pool and a tennis court to play sports. Also there are lot of classes of different levels of English so students can learn at their right level.*

*In the afternoon there are a lot of activities to choose such as table tennis, crafts, water polo, karaoke, cooking and playing on the Wii. You can even go to the beac if you want. There are also trips out to Aqualandia and to go kayaking along the coast of Jávea as well as a night out to the Arenal beach.*

*My name is Blanca and I'm 12 years old and from Zaragoza. The night before Chit Chat I didn't sleep because I felt so nervous but when I arrived at the camp I was very happy to be here. I don't have a host family but I think it would be very cool to have one.*

*The teachers are good with us and the lessons are fine. I like it that we do exercises together and talk to each other, all in English.*

*I like very much that we can choose which activities we want to do in the afternoon and that some days we have special activities such as kayaking and Aqualandia. I'll come back next summer!*

*I'm Marta from Burgos and I'm 12 years old. I was very nervous when I arrived but now I'm fine. The classes can be boring but we do learn a lot. The acivities are so much fun and Aqualandia was the best part of the camp. But I didn't like the kayaking. Maybe next year I will come back.*

*My name is Hugo, I'm 12 years old and I'm from Valencia. I felt very nervous when I arrived but after meeting my host family I was better. The teachers are very good as are the lessons. I like some of the food we have and the activities are very good because they are very entertaining. Aqualandia is a great trip but I didn't like the kayaking.*

*My name is Ander, I'm 12 from the Basque Country. I felt very nervous because I didn't know how the host the family was going to be but they are great and the activities are fun. At Chit Chat the teachers are so nice and the lessons are very interesting. The food is also very good and the activities are so much fun. I like Aqualandia and the kayaking very much. I would come back if I can.*

*I'm Victoria from Cuenca and I'm 12. My host family is very kind, the food is great and the activities are so much fun. The lessons are boring but I do learn a lot. The teachers are great and the afternoon activities are fun. The best thing is Aqualandia! I had a great time. I would come back next year!*



# “I LOVED AQUALANDIA!”

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*I'm Candela, I'm 12 years old and I'm from Valencia. I was very nervous when I arrived at Chit Chat but then I was excited. I started with a host family where the food is delicious and we do lots of fun activities and trips out. At Chit Chat the teachers are very nice and very funny but the lessons can be a little boring sometimes but we do learn a lot.*

*The food at Chit Chat is “so-so”. The activities are fun but we always do the same. However the thing I loved was AQUALANDIA! I had a great time. The activity I didn't like was kayaking, I didn't like the experience at all. Next year maybe I come back.*

## BREAKFAST TIME

by Alan Flores

[Teen Chit Chat]

The sun rises up through the Windows

We open our eyes when the music starts to play  
At the same time that Ana shouts “Breakfast Time!”

One by one we wake up and go to the bathroom

To the kitchen

Or to the bed again

At last we meet everybody at the kitchen

Taking our chairs and our breakfast

Fighting to take the cakes (only joking!)

And saying “Good Morning”

Like the polite people that we are.

David is taking his juice outside with Oliva

Pilar is getting everyone in order in the kitchen

And Ana is cheering everyone up

Doreen is having her tea

Everything is perfect

(Thank you universe for letting me do the dishes)

But it is now when the day starts ...

