



# The 4th Homestay Program Report Switzerland/Republic of San Marino



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## Recruiting Middle and High School Students

Application: Sept 9 – Sept. 19



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### Republic of San Marino/Switzerland (end of Oct – early Nov)

**Content:** Homestay Program (Possibility of staying in dormitories depending on country),  
Cultural and Social Exchange with local students. Attend Language School, Experience a different culture,  
Presentation regarding the 3.11 East Japan Earthquake, Visit Red Cross HQ, Participation in JAPAN WEEK,  
Visit Church in San Marino, Activities with Red Cross Japan, Volunteer Work

**Subjects:** Victims of the 3.11 East Japan Earthquake (Currently 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Fees:** Free of Charge

(Domestic travel expenses, Passport Application, Pocket Money, Suitcase Delivery will be personal payment)

**Application:** Please check our website [http://support-our-](http://support-our-kids.org/ja/)

**Hosted by:** Support Our Kids Committee [kids.org/ja/](http://kids.org/ja/)

**With the support of:** Embassy of the Republic of San Marino in Japan, Embassy of Switzerland in Japan,  
Japan Red Cross

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Date	Program	Accommodation
20 <sup>th</sup> October (Mon)	Orientation (Japanese Red Cross head office)	Olympic Center
21 <sup>st</sup> October (Tue)	10:25 Narita→15:50 Zurich (LX161) from Zurich to Bern (by train) 19:30 Welcome Party (meet with host family) 21:00 Go home	Flight/ Homestay
22 <sup>nd</sup> October (Wed)	9:00~10:45 Language school 13:30~14:00 Japan Week Opening ceremony 18:00 Go home	Homestay
23 <sup>rd</sup> October (Thu)	9:00~10:45 Language school 14:15~18:00 Participation in Japan Week (with TOKARA: Japanese drum)	Homestay
24 <sup>th</sup> October (Fri)	10:20~11:55 Visit to Junior high school in Bern *Earthquake presentation PM Old Town Tour (World Heritage) 16:00~17:30 Japan Week Welcome ceremony *students speech 18:00 Go home	Homestay
25 <sup>th</sup> October (Sat)	Gruyere Castle, Balthus' s House visit (Grand Chalet) 18:00 Go home	Homestay
26 <sup>th</sup> October (Sun)	AM Free time (Spend with host family) 13:00~18:00 Japan Week (Kendama, origami) 18:00 Go home	Homestay
27 <sup>th</sup> October (Mon)	9:00~10:45 Language school 14:00~16:00 Swiss info visit (Paul Klee) 17:00~18:00 JAPAN WEEK 18:00 Go home	Homestay
28 <sup>th</sup> October (Tue)	Move to Geneva International Red Cross headquarter tour	City HOTEL GENEVA
29 <sup>th</sup> October (Wed)	Red Cross Museum tour	City HOTEL GENEVA
30 <sup>th</sup> October (Thu)	7:00 Geneva→8:30 Rome (LX1754), Move to San Marino, Dinner at the hotel (Mr. Brigante owns), meet with host family	Homestay
31 <sup>st</sup> October (Fri)	AM San Marino Government Office visit (Prime Minister, Minister of Culture exchanges, earthquake presentation) Japan shrine visit, Old Town Tour (World Heritage)	Homestay
1 <sup>st</sup> November (Sat)	AM San Leo town visit PM Free time (Spend with host family) Pizza dinner party	Homestay

## ■ OCT 12 Orientation in Sendai



## ■ OCT 20 Orientation with Japan Red Cross Society



## ■ OCT 20 with His Imperial Highness Hiroaki Fushimi, Nobuhiko Higashikuni





■ Balthus house



# Photo Report

## ■ Balthus house



## ■ JAPAN WEEK



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## ■ With the local students

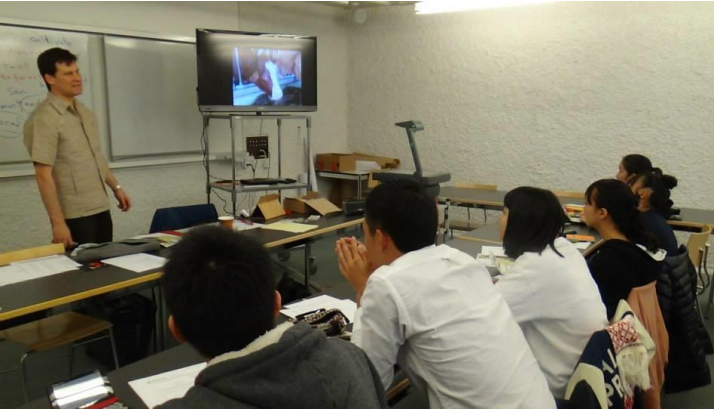


## ■ Sharing their experiences



# Photo Report

## English Lessons



## With their host family



## Homestay Students





## Swiss info



## Visit to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies



## ■ Farewell Party at the Switzerland Ambassador's Residence



## Meeting the President of the Republic of San Marino



## View of old San Marino



## Homestay at San Marino



## Sightseeing in Italy



## ■ Miyagi Pref. M.I

I have done presentations at different locations regarding my experience during the Great East Japan Earthquake. However, this program has given me an opportunity to experience a different culture that other middle/high school students cannot. We also had a chance to cooperate with the Student Council and had a great time.

## ■ Miyagi Pref. M.M

I'd like to use what I learned from this program and become the kind of leader the Support Our Kids program would like us to be. I will continue to participate and support this program. Although the future is unset, Support Our Kids has inspired me to dream of building my own project to support and train children to become future leaders.

## ■ Fukushima Pref. R.Y

Through this overseas homestay program, I've learned to become proactive and gain self-confidence to become a stronger person. If I stayed in Japan, I would not have noticed the importance of going for what you want and staying true to yourself without the influence of others. I'd like to share my experiences with my family, my friends, the supporters and my teachers, and apply these in my daily life. I will keep in touch with my Switzerland/San Marino family and hope to meet them again someday.