



国際教育広報部

Newsletter

Spring is here!

卒業式、学年末試験も終わり、皆さんにも春がやってきました。桜や藤の花、ミモザの花が美しく咲き誇る春がやってきました。一歩外に出てみれば、野の花たちも鮮やかに咲き、私たちの目を楽しませてくれます。苺やタケノコ、桜餅にタラの芽の天ぷらなど、春の味覚もうれしいですね。

世界中の人たちも様々な形で春の訪れを祝っています。例えば、「イースター」、「ホーリー祭り」、「セビリアの春祭り」「テオティワカンの春分」など、春のお祭りが行われます。

※ お知らせ ※

3月14日木曜日 14:30~15:30 に国際理解講座を開催します。マルタ共和国の大使をお迎えして近年話題のマルタについてお話をいただきます。国際教育広報部の今年度最後の行事です。申し込み締め切り日は過ぎていますが、まだ大丈夫です。多数の参加をお待ちしています。申し込みはこちらのQRコードをお願いします。



異文化交流プログラム



2月7日(水)に2年生を対象に留学生の先生を7人お招きして、母国の紹介をしていただきました。お話を聞き、色々な気づきがあったようです。2年生が書いた先生方へのお礼のお手紙をいくつか紹介します。



2A Armenia

Ever since I was a child, I have admired European landscapes and buildings. Today, after seeing the Armenian landscapes in your presentation for the first time, I was impressed because they were just what I had imagined. I would like to visit there someday.

I enjoyed the games and the conversation very much. I hope you had a wonderful time like I did! Thank you for coming to Japan.



2B Bhutan

Thank you for coming to this class for the cross-cultural exchange event and sharing your wonderful story about Bhutan. I was impressed by the stories about Bhutan's forests which emit a higher proportion of oxygen than carbon dioxide, and about traditional clothing. After hearing this story, I also want to go to Bhutan. I hope you enjoy Japan.

2C Syria

Thank you for sharing a good time together. I had heard the name of the country, Syria, but I didn't know what it was like.

I'm glad to learn about Syria. After hearing your presentation, I wanted to eat some Syrian food! You said "Japanese people should learn more about other countries in the world. I want to learn about other countries. I want to visit Syria in the future."



2D Vietnam

Thank you for the wonderful presentation today. Vietnam has many similarities to Japan and I felt its various charms.

Among them, I strongly wanted to go to the cave (the largest cave in the world). I was surprised that there are four seasons in your country, too. I'd like to try Vietnamese dishes such as spring rolls and rice noodles. Japan is also full of charms. So, please enjoy it.

2E Armenia

I become interested in Armenia in this lecture. When you started talking about the breathtaking nature or Armenia, that particularly captured my attention. The scenery there was like a princess's world, and it soothed my soul. I don't have interest in foreign countries, but I wanted to see natural scenery that can't be seen in Japan.

How was the Fruit Basket game in our class? It was my first time doing this in English, but it was really fun. Thanks to you I had a great time.

2F Gabon

Thank you for your speech. Before the presentation, I had little knowledge about Gabon. I'd only heard of the country and its capital. Thanks to you, now I gained more information about Gabon like what the color of its national flag means. And I have decided to try to "learn English", "dream big" and "work hard!" Thank you.

2G the Cote d'ivoire

Mr. Frank. I had a lot of fun today. It was very interesting to learn a lot about Ivory Coast. I was most interested in their food. Those looked very delicious and I've never seen them before, I want to make one of these foods like Garpa. I wanted know more about Ivory Coast. Thank you very much. I look forward to our next meeting. I can't wait to see you again. Enjoy Japan!

皆さんの手紙にブータンの Kinga Zangpo さんからお礼の返事が届きました。大変喜んでくださっています。

I am Kinga Zangpo from Bhutan, who attended the Cultural Interaction Program at Igusa High School on 7th February.

I received the students' message cards today. My gratitude knows no bound when I read through each student's message and I am very much excited to have received these cards. I will cherish that moment and treasure these cards. I would love to paste it on the walls of my house in Bhutan. I am glad that through my presentation, I could make some impression to the students about my country as many of them penned down saying they wanted to visit Bhutan one day. "You are always welcome to visit Bhutan."

I also thank the students for their wonderful presentation about Okinawa and the gesture game. I will definitely visit Okinawa as I was impressed by the richness of ice creams, nature, Acer festival, history, stone cave, and Onna village at Okinawa. I would love to collect the shell of a fish at Okinawa beach and even try 3 different types of noodles available in Okinawa. I hope we meet again in the future.

My regards to all the students and I wish them all the very best in their life. I pray for their good health, wealth, success, happiness and may their wish be fulfilled in whatever they do in their life.

Regards,

Kinga Zangpo
Bhutan



* 留学中の IGUSA 生からの新着メール

今回は1年生の川田さん、3年生の倉本さんのメールを4通一挙まとめて紹介します。



川田さやさん (ニュージーランド)

Hello, I'm Saya Kawata. I'm in Morrinsville, New Zealand now. I would like to talk about my first month as an international student.

26th January, I arrived in New Zealand. The first day was an overnight stay at the university dormitory with other students in the same program. The next day's noon, we each head off to our host family. So, I had to say goodbye to them. It was very sad to say goodbye to my colleagues who had gone through so many trainings with. I had always had someone by my side, but now I felt very lonely thinking that I would be alone for 10 months.



The following days, I met my host mother. She is very kind. She has a dog named Max. He always smiles and soothes me. The food made by her is so delicious and the house is very close to the school, which makes me happy.

The first day at school, I was so nervous that my legs were shaking. But, there were about 20 Japanese students there. That eased my anxiety.

During the first week, I often had trouble finding the classroom and making friends. But now, I have learned, where the classrooms are, and made a few native friends. The classes are a lot of fun and play, there are no homework, no tests, and it is fun!!!

But, of course, it's not always easy. Sometimes I miss my Japanese friends and I often see in the my dream about going back to Igusa High School. Even though I am not having a very hard time in New Zealand, I sometimes find myself crying spontaneously. At such times, I am cheered up by seeing the message board given to me by everyone in Class H and the pictures of my classmates and soft tennis club. I try I remind myself that there are people who support me. My only concern is how to interact with Japanese students. They always speak Japanese. I always try to speak in English, not if someone speaks to me in Japanese, I respond in Japanese. My English will never improve unless I do something different than what I usually do. So, I would like to raise more awareness of using English instead of relying on Japanese.

I will try my best to switch over from now on sonot to leave any regrets.



倉本麻衣さん (カナダ)

November

I experienced daylight saving time on the 5th of November. Daylight saving time is what is known as summer time in Japanese. My friends and I stayed up late and watched it go from 1:59 to 1:00. I also studied a lot this month for the test. Sometimes I stayed at school to study. However, my school teachers go home right after school, so I didn't have much time to ask them to help me study. So I consulted with my teachers about my study during lunch break. I was surprised that the school closes early.



Also, Christmas markets began to take place in the city in late November. I enjoyed watching the Christmas tree light up. This month, I really felt the differences between Japan and Canada, such as Christmas and the work conditions of teachers.

December

I went to Vancouver as a tourist for the first time. I missed Japanese food, so I researched stores that sold Japanese foods before I went there. On the first day, we saw a circus called Kooza. There I watched the trapeze and aerial acts. I sometimes dozed off lack of sleep the day before, but it was a very powerful and amazing attraction. At midnight, my friends and I enjoyed playing truth and dare games at the hotel. On the second day, I went to a store that sold Japanese food. I bought some Japanese products at a relatively low price. Thanks to this, I was able to serve curry rice or squid rice to my host family during the winter vacation. To my surprise, they also sold Okinawa soba there. My family eats Okinawan soba every year as New Year's Eve soba, so I made it and ate it. It is over 3 hours from my area to Vancouver, so I could not stay there long, but I enjoyed my two days. At Christmas, I exchanged gifts with all my host families and received the most gifts ever!



January

This January was a very nice month for me. I spent the New Year with my friends.



We went to the beach and roasted marshmallows over a bonfire. We declared our goals for the year. Incidentally, My New Year Resolution is to make 100 friends. After winter break, I attended an event just for 12 graders students called Dessert Night. Literally, we had a dessert and there are some booths such as Casino booths, food booths, and photo booths.

Also, I finished the first semester this month!! It was challenging for me to complete all the submissions in English. For example, I took the All About Money class and finishing the submissions for the scholarship application was difficult. I didn't even know how to research scholarships. However, with the help of my teachers and friends I was able to make it work. Eventually, I got straight A's and I am very pleased with the outcome:> I look forward to the next semester of classes too!

February

I started taking new subjects at the end of last month. I have Art, Psychology Food and English class in this semester. I really wanted to take psychology class from the bottom of my heart, so I enjoy going to school and doing psychology assignments. In Food class, we cook every time. It inspired me to cook at home as well. Recently, I got sashimi grade salmon so I cut it up and took some of it for lunch.

On Valentine day, I made a cake with my friend and gave it to my friends the next day. A few students were getting bouquets, which made me smile. I have less than 5 months left, but I will enjoy the rest of my life in Canada.



Notice!

次世代リーダー道場生の留学体験発表会のお知らせ

3月11日14時30分にLL教室で2A中平茅さんと2E小澤美咲さんが約1年間の体験を英語で発表します。予約不要です。ふるってご参加ください。