

# The Kosei Grapevine

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## Welcome!!

Hello everyone!! Welcome back to school. The summer flew by but most students seem to have come back to school with fully recharged batteries. It was evident from the first week back that they were overflowing with energy. We tried to put this energy to good use in class. All of the students are very busy at the moment preparing for the School Festival. We are looking forward to it.

2学期です。みんな元気を充電して学校に戻ってきたようです。しっかり学習し、学園祭に力を発揮してください。

## Feel the Drama

Every year the students perform a play, or skit. Last year, the students performed Romeo and Juliet. This year, we decided to perform 'There is a fly in my soup'. On Monday evening the girls practiced very hard. They looked very tired when they went to bed after two hours practice on Monday night, and on Tuesday morning after another hour's practice they performed the skit.

All the groups did a great job but group six (Aina Hirano, Aki Chiyomatsu, Saki Ishii, Chika Takagi, Yuika Hori, Mayu Sasagawa, Momoko Suzuki) was voted as the best. The best Henry was Marie Mizuno, and the best Henry's girlfriend was shared by three students who were all fantastic: Yuri Hayashi, Saki Ishii and Kana Bundo. Tomoka Chikudate was the best Manager and the best customers were Hinano Kobayashi and Sayaka Sotozaki. Maybe we will see them on TV in a few years? The best group leaders were Shiori Hashimoto and Mayu Nishizaki.



## Junior High Summer Camp

The Junior High School Summer Camp 2010 was a great success. It was held at the National Olympic Memorial Center next to Yoyogi Park. After arriving at the center on a rainy Monday afternoon, July 12, we played a range of games which were great fun. The students used lots of English while playing games and four of Kosei native teachers and eight lovely international assistant teachers from Russia, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Bulgaria, India, China and America added a lot of international flavor.

After the games we went to our rooms. Unfortunately, some of rooms were already occupied- with millions of ants! After changing rooms and getting ready for dinner, we all met for a delicious meal.



### サマーキャンプ

代々木公園に隣接する国立オリンピック記念青少年センター代々木で7月12・13日に開催されました。生徒42名と佼成のネイティブの先生4名にロシア・ウクライナ・タルキミニスタン・ブルガリア・インド・中国・米国の先生8名が加わって英語だけで生活をするまさに国内留学になりました。ゲームや食事也十分に楽しめました。が部屋のありの大群にはちょっとびっくり!!

### サマーキャンプのハイライト：ドラマ

去年は'ロミオとジュリエット'でしたが、今年は'私のスープにはえが!'を演じました。夜の2時間のハードな練習にみんな疲れきって見えました。翌日の演技は素晴らしいものになりました。この中から近い将来テレビに登場する女優が出るかもしれませんね。

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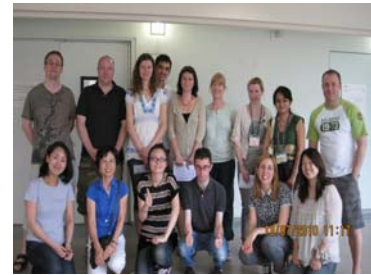
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個人賞：水野真里江、林優里、分道佳奈、

築館友香、坂野真弥、小林ひなの

外崎早也佳

そしてリーダーとして頑張った中3の橋本汐理、西崎真由にも賞が贈られました。



## Junior High Summer Camp Diaries 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Students <中3生>

I got up at six. I went to Chitose-karasu yama station at ten. Then I met my friend. We went to the National Olympic Memorial Center. We stayed there for two days. I participated in it for the first time. I was very worried. I can't speak English very well. I tried hard to do my best. My role in the play was a waiter. We practiced hard. Unfortunately we couldn't win but I thought the experience of the camp was so valuable. I'm very thankful to the teachers, staff and everyone of my group. It was a lot of fun. (Natsumi)

Today is July 15<sup>th</sup>. I'll write about two-days English Summer Camp. I arrived 40 min earlier than the meeting time. So I had a lot of free time. After that members arrived and we started walking. It was a little fun but started raining hard and so we lost the way. We barely arrived at our destination. By my group's room was very dirty and there were a lot of ants and insects! I had many troubles during the camp but I was happy because I spoke to a lot of people in English. I want to go again. (Eri)



# Junior High Music

## Junior High Summer Camp Diaries

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students <中2生>

I went to the summer camp for the first time. I was uneasy at first. Because I am not good of English. I wondered whether it was possible to speak English easily. However, I was able to speak it in my own way. Moreover it was a happy time with the seniors and juniors. I want to go next year.(Nao)

It was the second time I joined the camp. I think I could speak English better this than last year. My seniors were kind to me. The meals were delicious. One thing I was scared about was the ants in my room. But I had a great time. I enjoyed playing the part of the waiter in the skit. And I was so happy when I received an award of excellence. I'll never forget it. I put the koalas, my prize, on my desk. I'll join the camp next year, too.(Maya)

I think this camp was very good! I had a pleasant time there. There were many native teachers this time. So I learned a lot of English there. I was happy to join the English summer camp. I hope to go again next time.(Erika)

## 1F Summer Camp

The 1F summer camp was at Kosei this year from August 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>. In total there are 40 girls going to New Zealand next January. While on camp the students did a wide variety of things that involved practicing English. They studied for the TOEIC and EIKEN exams, they also participated in group activities, watched videos and after that made a short presentation, and played sports that were designed to improve their English. The girls tried very hard at all the tasks and their English has improved a lot since April. It's now mid September and they only have about three and a half months left before they go to New Zealand so the students are studying English very hard. Keep up the good work 1F!

### 1F 合宿

8月19日から21日に高1留学クラスが、TOEICや英検、グループ学習、発表、スポーツ等英語力を高めることを目指した学習を合宿して行いました。出発まで3カ月と少し。ガンバレ！

The 7<sup>th</sup> graders started the term with the Louis Armstrong classic “What a wonderful world”. This is not only a beautiful and positive song, but it also allows for a bit of practice of plurals in English. We will continue to work on this song, and pick up the recorder again to move on, higher up and lower down the scale.

The 8<sup>th</sup> graders will also try to develop their recorder skills. This term we will use some traditional Maori songs to encourage their ensemble playing skills. We will sing Simon & Garfunkel Scarborough Fair” and “Sound of Silence”. In the process, students will also become experts at recognizing herbs. If you wonder why, have a little google and check the lyrics to “Scarborough Fair”!

### 2学期イマージョン音楽

中1はルイ・アームストロングの’What a wonderful world’を複数形の学習をしながら歌います。レコーダーも音域を広げて練習を続けます。

中2もレコーダーにマオイの歌を取り入れて合奏の練習します。歌はSimon & Garfunkelの、Scarborough FairとSound of Silenceです。この中で語韻についても学習します。



The 9<sup>th</sup> graders are getting ready for their school trip to New Zealand, and as they will be performing at a school over there, we’re wasting no time in polishing their combined musical genius. They will be singing the Kiwi classic “Pokarekare ana” (in Maori) and Ryuichi Sakamoto’s “Believe” (in Japanese), so these songs are our main focus before they leave. We’re also setting time aside to explore national anthems around the world, and the Tom Waits song “Ruby’s Arms”. A busy time for everyone as we look forward to working on music just as hard as before.

中3は修学旅行の訪問校でNZでよく歌われているポカレカレ・アナをマオリ語で、Believeは日本語で歌う予定でその練習を重ねます。また世界中の国歌やRuby’s Armsも学習します。忙しい時期ですが変わらず音楽もしっかり学習しよう！



## Important Dates This Term

- Sept 25-26 School Festival
- Oct 1 Tokyoites Holiday
- Oct 5-16 Eiken Festival
- Oct 11 Sports Day
- Oct 9-12 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Midterm exams
- Oct 16 Eiken Test
- Oct 16-23 9<sup>th</sup> grade School Trip to NZ
- Oct 27-28 8<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Midterm exams
- Oct 29 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Halloween Party

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