

# The Kosei Grapevine

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## Junior High School Third Year Presentation Contest

Last month all the third grade junior high students gathered to watch the New Zealand speech presentations. Each group made a great effort to memorize their speeches and create interesting and cool posters to help teach us about different aspects of New Zealand culture.

We learned that school life in New Zealand is quite different to school life in Japan. Also, we heard about Maori culture and its unique traditions and great places to visit, such as Waitomo Caves and Lake Taupo. They looked really amazing, didn't they?

Food was also a popular topic with some groups telling us about delicious pies, fish and chips and many different kinds of sweets! We were even treated to the most famous ice cream in New Zealand, Hokey Pokey! Everyone enjoyed tasting it and it was a good way to finish the presentation contest.

Finally, the judges had to choose a winner, which was very difficult because each group was excellent. First prize went to Yuki Bessho and Aki Sakuramoto who gave an informative, fun and very well prepared presentation about education in New Zealand. Congratulations, Yuki and Aki! Joint the second place went to two groups. They were, Erika Ishigaki and Maya Banno for their delicious looking presentation on New Zealand food and Saori Takechi, Marika Miyasako and Chinatsu Yoshida for their extremely well researched presentation on education in New Zealand.

Now we all know a little more about life in New Zealand and the third grade students must be really excited about going there in November. Have fun!!!



*Above: The winners celebrate!*

*Below: Chinatsu, Saori and Marika share their research on education in New Zealand.*



*The girls found out that 15 year olds attend high school, not junior high school in New Zealand!*

## 中3調べ学習コンテスト

先月 中3生がグループに分かれてニュージーランドに関して様々な観点から調べあげ、ポスターにも工夫を凝らして英語で発表をしました。どのグループもそれぞれ頑張りました。日本とは異なった学校生活、マオリの文化や伝統、ワイトモ洞穴やタウポ湖などの観光地、NZの音楽や歴史、食べ物紹介ではパイ、フィッシュ&チップや さまざまなお菓子が取り上げられ 最後にNZの有名なアイス・クリーム“ホッキイポッキー”を皆で少しずつ味見してコンテストが終了しました!

審査員が順位をつけるのに困ったほど どのグループも良い発表をしました。その中でNZの教育事情をわかりやすく楽しい発表ができた別所優希・櫻本亜紀チームが1位、2位は2つのグループに決まりました。NZの食べ物をおいしく発表出来た石垣彫華・坂野真弥チーム、詳しくNZの教育を調べた武市祥保里・宮迫真理佳・吉田千夏チームが受賞しました。

NZのより詳しい知識を持って修学旅行がさらに楽しくなることでしょう。

右上写真: 受賞した生徒達

右下写真: 「NZでは15歳で高校生!」と調べた内容を発表中

左下写真: NZの樹齢数千年の大木の説明中



## Presentation Topics Included:

- *Tourism in New Zealand*
- *Food in New Zealand*
- *Traditional Maori Culture*
- *New Zealand Music*
- *Education in New Zealand*
- *The History of New Zealand*

## Important Dates

*Nov. 5~12 Chu 3 Trip to NZ*

*Nov. 13*

*Eiken Interview Tests*

*Nov. 19~26*

*Class Observation Week*

*Nov.30 Chu 2 Skit Contest*

*Dec.1 Chu 1 Skit Contest*

*Dec.7 Chu 2 Christmas Party*

*Dec. 8~10 Term-End Exams*

# Halloween



On Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October, the first year junior high school students gathered in the Global Centre for their annual Halloween Party. First of all, the story of Halloween was told. Next, it was game time! The students played two games. One game, where they created a monster was a special Halloween version on the traditional party game "Pin the Tail on the Donkey". The other game involved the teams using straws to grab cards for their team. The students enjoyed the games and the chance to use English in a relaxed and fun setting!



Next, they made a mask. Wearing their masks, they went "Trick or Treating" and got some candy for Halloween from some scarily dressed characters. All of the students enjoyed the Halloween experience and the opportunity that it gave them to experience a unique aspect of a foreign culture.



## ハロウィーン

中1が10月29日にハロウィーンのお楽しみ会をしました。お祭りの起原の話を聞いた後英語を使いながらゲームをしたり、作ったお面をがぶって「Trick or Treating」と言いながら仮装した先生方からキャンディをもらい、ハロウィーン体験をして異文化を楽しみました。

*The students and teachers all enjoyed the Halloween party! A lot of very creative masks were made to scare the teachers!*

## A Letter From 2E in New Zealand! Rugby World Cup 2011 – Japan vs. Canada

I went to watch a rugby game! The game was between Japan and Canada. I thought that there would be many Canadian fans there, however actually there were just as many Japanese fans there!!!

I wore the Japanese rugby uniform and brought the Japanese flag. My friend painted a little Japanese flag on my cheek. Of course we cheered for the Japanese team. I thought the Japanese could beat the Canadian team because their condition was good. The game was tied at 23 to 23. After the game we moved to the front row to get the players' signatures on my Japanese flag. I will treasure this flag always!

NZの2Eの生徒からのたより 2011ラグビー世界大会日本対カナダ戦の応援に行ってきました。日本の応援も多く、選手ユニフォームを着て 国旗を振り顔にも国旗を書いて応援。日本のチームの調子も良く勝機はあったのですが結果は 23対23。試合後国旗に選手のサインをもらえました。私の宝物です!



## Rugby World Cup 2011

Did you follow the Rugby World Cup this year? This year's Rugby World Cup was held in New Zealand! Games were held in stadiums all over the country and teams from all over the world took part!

The Japanese team did very well against some tough competition. They had to play New Zealand's world famous All Blacks in the opening rounds! For the first time since the first World Cup in 1987, the All Blacks won the tournament! The final was a very tense and close match between old rivals France and New Zealand. IN the end, the All Black won by just one point! New Zealand celebrated the All Black's historic victory with a series of parades. The 2011 Rugby World Cup will be remembered by New Zealander's for a long time!

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