



This year is almost over. How was your year? Looking back, you may see things you were able to do or couldn't do, something interesting or something hard. If you did it well you should continue doing it for "the next time" but you should always challenge yourself for "the next time" if you didn't do something well.

This year's Kanji is "Rei". The name of the era is picked as "Reiwa" so that people could feel the new generation with hope. Also, "ONE TEAM" was selected for the phrase of the year. It was the slogan for the Japanese national rugby team led by the head coach Jamey Joseph. Joseph selected 31 players who are capable regardless of nationality. (15 foreign players from 7 different countries) Even a strong team will not play well if their heart is not together. He kept telling this to his brave blossoms (team name for our Japanese players) which led them to unite as a team, and as a result, they went on their winning streak.

This will apply to school, too. School needs to be a place where children can always fulfil dreams and hopes. Also, it is difficult to accomplish a big achievement without the unity of teachers and students in our class, activities, and school life. We the staffs would like be "ONE TEAM" and supervise our students so that they can find something they like or their next goal.

Wisdoms and hopes from our ancestors

On the end of the year and new year's day, there are many customs like "toshikoshi soba", "joyano kane", "kagami mochi" or "hatsumode". New year's eve is a day to prepare welcoming Toshigamisama (god of the incoming year). Toshigamisama brings good harvests and enough food so that people would not suffer from lack of food, so he is worshiped from the ancient time. You will welcome him through your front entrance where it is decorated with shimenawa (a sacred rice straw rope) and the god will be drawn into the place where kagamimochi will be offered. Therefore, back in the days, parents used to offer kagamimochi in the children's study room. From this custom, children felt "the importance of studying". I remember learning kuromame (black beans) in osechi (new year's traditional food) implies that we should always work "mameni" (deligently). We are losing these old customs due to the change in life style. I hope through every family, we can teach our children the wisdoms and hopes of our ancestors. The 1st year of Reiwa will be over in week. Have a great new year.

Principal Takada Katsuhiro



[January]					
day	date	Events	day	date	Events
6	M	First day of work	17	F	Private school general exam application day school volleyball day (wear gym clothes when commuting)
8	W	Starting ceremony/Calligraphy time Wi-Fi set up construction	18	Sa	Ishikawa Kosen recommendation entrance exam All Noto Tatsuruhama basketball tournament
9	Th	No TV day Wi-Fi set up construction	19	Su	Ishikawa aviation school recommendation entrance exam All Noto Tatsuruhama basketball tournament
10	F	Wi-Fi set up construction	20	M	Prefectural supervisor educational inspection visit
11	Sa	Private school recommendation entrance exam (except for Seiryō)	23	Th	Open school day
12	Su	Private school recommendation entrance exam (except for Seiryō) Indoor soft tennis tournament	24	F	Open school day English approval test (Eigo kentei) Ishikawa Kosen general entrance exam application day
13	M	A coming-of-age ceremony Indoor soft tennis tournament	28	T	Joint training for all clubs (coach: Mr. Miyaguchi from Prefecture college)
14	Tu	Proficiency test for 3 rd graders	29	W	Staff meeting
15	W	Proficiency test for 3 rd graders /Class ends at 4 th hour/ No club day/ Regional Educational Research meeting	31	F	Private school exam Parental survey (~7th)

※Graduation day: March 13th(Friday) For 3rd graders, please check the exact test day on 3rd grader's newspaper.

Glory of Anachu

- ◆The 51st Noto Ensemble contest
 - Silver wooden/brass/percussion mixed sextet
 - Silver wooden trio
 - Silver flute duet
- ◆The 2nd Eiken test qualified for Pre-2nd grade test 3rd grade Three Students

December highlights

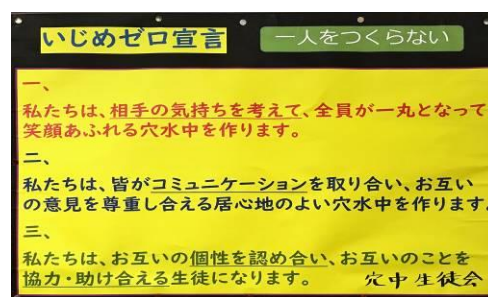
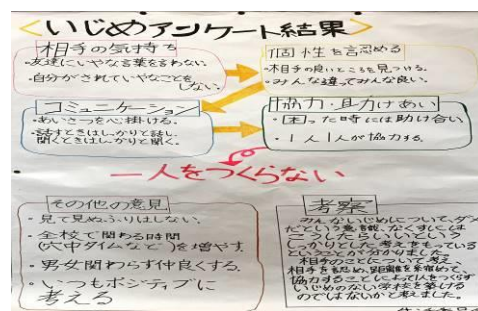
On Friday, December 6th, in the principals office 5 students were honored by the all Japan junior high school human rights essay contest Wajima district judges. Basic human rights (humans having the right to live happily) were created by people around the world over a long period of history. We must continue to protect these rights with our own hands.



In the afternoon of the same day, the community safety criminal investigation division of the Wajima police department helped us with evacuation from suspicious person drill. Our staff and students learned how to use “sasumata” (a thrust fork) to defend ourselves. The most important action is to “escape”. Go to the nearest house (an emergency house that says #110) and call for help. Being aware of where these people appear and not being alone is also important. The days are getting shorter. We try to tell students not to go home alone and please teach your children at home as well.



On December 11th, we had “Anachu times” organized by our student council. After students showed the award that they received from the governer Tanimoto, there was a lecture about “how to relieve stress” from the health committee. The life committee gave a thorough explanation about the result of the “bullying survey” and based on it, the student council strongly declared a goal of “zero bullying”. After their strong words and having the idea “don’t be alone” in mind, we enjoyed quiz games in groups and enjoyed the time together. It was a program which showed that students themselves, make their school life better.



<Request to our parents> Things to keep in mind during winter vacation

- Be aware of keeping an orderly life. (curfew hours and proper meals , etc.) Especially if your children are 3rd graders. Due to the fact that their entrance exam will be held in the morning, they must keep a good life rhythm every day.
 - Never let children stay up late, wander around at night, sleep over at friend’s house.
 - Know how long you use the internet. (Please pay enough attention to Line, mail, and gaming disorder)
- We gave out a paper called “Oyako hot net Daisakusen” which explains the risk of “addiction”, “gaming disorder”. Please read it thoroughly.



