



#### Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 Anamizu Junior Highschool



How old do you think the person who wrote this was? You might think it was a child who had just learnt to write, but it was actually written by a man. He was not writing it uglily on purpose, but was in fact trying his best to write with a pen between his teeth. This man is Hoshino Tomihiro. After Mr. Hoshino graduated university, he became a middle school PE teacher. Interacting with the students was his reason for living, and he was full of spirit. However, soon after, he received massive trauma to his cervical vertebrae due to an accident when demonstrating a somersault to the gymnastics club; resulting in paralysis from the neck down.

In a blink of an eye, Mr. Hoshino could not move his hands, feet, or waist, and his dreams and aspirations as a

PE teacher were dashed. Mr. Hoshino was drowned in deep sorrow and despair, which left him feeling dejected and suicidal. "In the depths of despair, all I wanted was to die. As I stared at the flowers, I felt a strong force and my body started wanting to live." As Mr. Hoshino longed to draw the get-well flowers he had received, he found his will to live. He wanted to express his appreciation and joy to the fact that he was alive through drawings of flowers and poetry. Just as



he had learnt apparatus gymnastics from zero, he decided to learn how to write without the use of his hands. Finally, Mr. Hoshino was able to publish many of his collections. (Refer to image on the right)

Everyone will face sufferings in their life. It's about how a person deals with the sufferings and plan their actions that changes the course of their life. Humans are equipped with the power to overcome these sufferings. Just as Mr. Hoshino had people that supported his determination, and the importance he felt from the support, we also have those people to support us in our suffering. Mr. Hoshino said: "To me, what I have done is small, but receiving thanks for that, I realise that it is a big thing.". There is a saying "Turning water in a tub with a chopstick', even if there is only one person and using one chopstick, continuously turning it in the tub of water will create a whirlpool. It means if you make up your mind and don't give up, you can turn something small into something big. Everything starts from a person's resolve and determination.

You'll have your mid-term tests and cultural festival in October. What kind of determination will you have to face your tests and the cultural festival? Just like the proverb above, amass all your efforts and create a bigger power. I would like to see how you grow from this change.

#### Principal Katsuhiro Takada

### (October)

# 10/4 (M) Tuition withdrawal 2<sup>nd</sup> period student council 6(W) Regional Educational meeting (3 classes in the afternoon) 7(Th) Class discussion

- 8(F) All-Noto freshmen T and F tournament (Nanao) 9(Sa) All-Noto freshmen table tennis t (Anamizu)
- 9 10 (Sa/Su) All-Noto freshmen soft tennis tournament (Wakura)
- 11 (M) No TV day
- 13 (W) Student council general meeting 6<sup>th</sup> hour (Club activity day)
- 14(Th) Educational supervisor visit dayNo club day
- 16 17(Sa/Su) All-Noto freshmen table tennis tournament (Wajima)
- $17 \hspace{0.1in} (Su) \hspace{0.1in} Regional \hspace{0.1in} PTA \hspace{0.1in} meeting \hspace{0.1in} (Ogi \hspace{0.1in} JHS: Online \hspace{0.1in} presentation)$
- 18 (M) 6th hour Math calculation test
- 21 (Th) 22 (F) Midterm
- 23 (Sa) PTA Tokai Hokuriku (Onlilne)
- 30 (Sa) Anachu School Festival
  [Admission will be restricted to avoid 3 Cs]

  \*Town PTA meeting is cancelled

#### [November]

- 11/1 (M) Compensatory day off
- 2 (T) Tuition withdrawal
- 2-5 Ishikawa Educational week (Open school day)
- 5 (F) Second Kanji Kentei (For those who wish)
- 6 (Sa) Emotional Education lecture (Jibasan)
- 7 (Su) Eiken interview test.

Town meeting lecture (Gyosei Center)

10 (W) No TV day

Moral Education presentation

- 11(Th) 12 (F) 3<sup>rd</sup> grade assessment test
- 24 (W) Staff meeting (No club day)
- 26 (F) Emergency drill
- 27 (Sa) Prefectural PTA meeting (Jibasan)





### Sports day in the rain!

Probably for the first time in history, the sports festival fell upon two consecutive rainy days. Even so, there were no regrets as we were able to carry out each event and performances. Even with the ongoing restrictions, we had about 280 spectators. Thank you for your co-operation with keeping to COVID restrictions.





## Grape picking!

On Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, the 3rd graders went to Noto Wine to pick grapes as part of their hometown study. The wine made from the grapes they picked will be presented to the 3rd graders at the coming-of-age ceremony when they turn 20. The labels of the bottles will be printed with messages and pictures that the 3rd graders wrote to their 20-year-old selves.







# Student council starts and grade are the leaders

As student council president, I want our school to improve our manners when greeting. For our school to become known for being good with greetings, it is important that we greet people in the town without being shy. In order to achieve this goal, I want to motivate our school to start with greeting each other better, and to carry out various 'greeting campaigns'. In addition, I will try my best to organise events (e.g., Anachu time) that will help with deepening the bond between all of the students. I will do my best in everything, so please look after me.

2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Student Council President

On the 15th of this month, the student council executives for the second semester gave their campaign speeches and voted. One president, five executive members, and eight committee members were elected. At the same time, the presidents for each class were also elected. The committee is motivated to work hard!

President	(2-1) Lifestyle committee	(2-1)
Executives	(2-1) Library committee	(2-2)
	(2-1) PE. Committee	(2-2)
	(2-1) Health committee	(2-2)
	(2-1) Clean-up committee	(2-2)
	(2-2) Cultural committee	(2-1)
Study committe	(2-2) Broadcast committee	(2-1)







[Results of the Oku-Noto freshman tournaments]

• Boy's tennis team: 3rd place

• Girl's tennis team: 2<sup>nd</sup> place Individual: 2<sup>nd</sup> place

• Boy's table tennis team: 1st place

Individual: 1st place

2<sup>nd</sup> place

3<sup>rd</sup> place

• Girl's table tennis team: 1st place

Individual: 2<sup>nd</sup> place

3<sup>rd</sup> place

Boy's kendo team: 2<sup>nd</sup> place Individual: 1<sup>st</sup> place
 2<sup>nd</sup> place

• Girl's kendo team: 1st place

Individual: 1st place

2<sup>nd</sup> place

3<sup>rd</sup> place

Sumo Individual: 3<sup>rd</sup> place

(Ishikawa Emergency Poster competition)

Grand prize:

[Regional Science challenge competition]

Nominated:

**Town Science challenge competition** 

Nominated:

[Town environment beautification campaign]

Poster category, Grand prize:

October goal: Let's act with responsibility