



Low achievers / Mid achievers / Upper achievers / Top achievers

The first semester midterm exam is over.

For 2nd and 3rd year students, these are tests you have taken many times now, so were you able to prepare for them well? For 1st year students, it was their first midterm. Was it easier or harder than you thought? Whether you were able to prepare well or not, I hope that all of you will be able to use this experience to your advantage in preparing for the next final exam.

Now, I have been reading various books to find out how to turn all of you into top-tier students. Among them, I would like to introduce a book written by Mr. Yoshiharu Habu, who is well known to those who love Shogi (Japanese chess). His profound words will surely be useful for your studies, clubs, and whatever you are putting yourself into.

Habu states in his book,

Low achievers do not listen to others.

Mid achievers listen to others.

Top achievers listen to others and take actions.

There are two points to this story. The first point is "honesty". The low tiers do not try to listen to others in the first place. The mid tiers listen to others but do not implement what they say. In other words, there is a "stubbornness" to not changing things. There is no "honesty" or "acceptingness". No matter how many good talks and teachings they encounter, they will never be able to progress in that way.

The second point is the ability to "take action". Taking actual action is what makes the difference. We must always challenge regardless of the outcome. In addition, this lightness of footwork is also an important factor for people to improve on things.

And there is one more line that Habu adds.

The top achievers listen and work through it.

Sometimes they actually act and it doesn't work. In fact, that is probably far more common. Even so, I believe that the very best have the "strength of will" to devise ways to make things happen.

"Honesty," the ability to take action", and the strength of will are all **emotional strength**.

The difference between the best and the rest is not the difference of ability, but the difference in mindset.
Principal Koshun Hirozawa



June

- 9 (Su) All Noto tournament (basketball)
- 11 (Tu) medical check up (3rd grade)
- 15 (Sa) All Noto tournament (baseball · table tennis · basketball · tennis · kendo)
- ※school day
- 16 (Su) All Noto tournament (baseball · table tennis · basketball · tennis · kendo)
- 17 (M) No school day
- 18 (Tu) Teacher student meeting (~7/2)
- 20 (Th) Urine test #2
- 23 (Su) Prefectural sumo tournament
- 29 (Sa) Prefectural track and field tournament
- 30 (Su) Prefectural track and field tournament



July

- 1 (M) Student council committee
- 2(Tu) final exam, Tuition withdrawal day
- 3(W) final exam 4 (Th) pep-rally 5(F) Kanji kentei
- 6(Sa) prefectural tournament (baseball, soft tennis)
- 7(Su) prefectural tournament (baseball) Eiken interview test
- 9(Tu) Emergency drill (earthquake)
- 10(W) Open school day Pure kids school (1st grade)
- 13(Sa) Tsushin track and field tournament Prefectural tournament (soft tennis, sumo)
- 14(Su) Tsushin track and field tournament, Prefectural tournament (soft tennis, kendo)
- 15(M) Prefectural tournament (kendo)
- 20(Sa) 21 (Su) prefectural tournament (basketball, table tennis)
- 22(M) student council, closing ceremony, handing out report cards
- 23(Tu) Handing out report cards 27(Sa) Brass band mini concert



~Oku-Noto tournament, Zen-Noto track and field tournament results~

At the Okunoto and Zennoto Track and Field Competitions, our athletes demonstrated the fruits of their daily practice to the fullest and achieved brilliant results. The following is a report on the results of each division.

~ Oku-Noto tournament ~

- Table tennis (Boys group) 1st (Boys individual) 1st 3rd 3rd
- Table tennis (Girls group) 1st (Girls individual) 1st 2nd 3rd 3rd
- Basketball (Boys) 2nd
- Basketball (Girls) 3rd
- Baseball 3rd
- Soft tennis (Boys individual) 3rd
- Soft tennis (Girls individual) 1st 2nd 3rd
- Kendo (Boys individual) 2nd 3rd

~ All-Noto track and field tournament ~

- All grade boys 800m 2nd
- All grade boys 1500m 5th
- 1st2nd grade boys long jump 1st
- 1st2nd grade boys 100m 3rd
- All grade boys 800m 8th
- 1st2nd grade girls long jump 8th
- 1st2nd grade girls long jump (pref) 1st

Joint evacuation drill.

On May 16, a fire evacuation drill was held jointly with Anamizu Elementary School. Fire drills are an important initiative to ensure the safety of students and teachers in the event of a fire. For the first time, the elementary and junior high schools jointly conducted the drill, and the evacuation routes were confirmed in cooperation with the elementary school as well.

Our principal spoke about confirming the rules of "O-ha-shi-mo" and the students listened attentively. We will continue to conduct drills on a regular basis. Our next evacuation drill will be held in July.

Monday, May 27th "Anachu Time" held by the student council

At Anamizu Junior High School, the Student Council plays a central role in "Anachu Time," which aims to deepen ties among students. During this "Anachu Time," the "seeds" were planted for the realization of the student council slogan, "A lively school with good relationships." In particular, we aimed to create opportunities for students who have little contact with each other in their daily school lives to interact with each other, expand and deepen their relationships.

<The contents of this "Anachu Time" >

• Students from different grades cooperated with each other and deepened exchanges through group activities in vertically divided groups and challenged quizzes. We hope to continue such activities in the future to further deepen the relationships among students and between students and teachers.

<Student Comments>

- I was a little confused at first because it was different from the usual way of doing things, but I was glad that I was able to interact with students from different grades beyond my class.
 - I am glad that I was able to communicate with people from different grades beyond my class. I was able to talk with people I don't usually talk with and discover new things about how bright they are.
 - I was able to make new discoveries by talking to people I normally don't talk to.
- In our group, the air-reading game did not go well at all. But the third-year students made it fun,
- It was fun. I usually don't have much contact with 2nd and 3rd year students, but they were kind and entertained me, so I would like to talk to them casually next time.

Friday, May 31st ~Traffic safety class, Crime prevention class~

We invited representatives from the Wajima Police Station and the Prefectural Police Headquarters to hold a traffic safety class and a crime prevention class. In the traffic safety class we learned how to ride a bicycle and the rules of the road, and in the crime prevention class we learned what to do in case they encounter a suspicious person.

According to the new Road Traffic Law, all cyclists are required to wear helmets from April 1, 2023. Have you been wearing one? Recently, there was a sad accident involving a student on his way to school in this prefecture. Protecting the head is very important. We hope that you will discuss the importance of helmets at home as well. It is important that the school and families work together to keep our students safe. Thank you for your cooperation.

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