# Gyosei International Primary School Newsletter



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It is the last quarter of 2020. As time goes by mercilessly. What is the purpose of living during the second term?

It is to know God. Let's do our best to live with God and have a meaningful year. I want you to be eager to find an invisible god and see it as a friend of your heart.

How should I search for God? It is to live in good faith. God is the truth itself. By listening carefully to the voice in our hearts, the voice of God, and the voice of our conscience, and living according to those voices, we will live with God. It is important not to lie to yourself and your friends, following the voice of "do good and reject evil." If we live in good faith and live in truth, we will be free.

Let's have a fulfilling second term with the existence of God in mind.

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#### Verse for October

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain.

John 12:24

#### Holy Hymn for October

"On the Hill of Galilee"

#### **Motto for October**

Remember the rules when coming and going to school.

#### **About Online Learning Classes**

We started online learning classes in May as for our preventive measure against the spread of COVID-19. Since June, we have been using distributed school learning materials for online lessons, and continued until September. Thank you for your kind understanding and cooperation, we will continue to observe and monitor the health of students and manage their physical condition while in school as a result of consideration of national campaign. Starting September 28 – Monday, online learning classes will stop for the time being.

In order to secure opportunities for evaluation of each subject and to prepare for the approaching sports day, we want all children to come to school and participate in classes and events, We will continue to take preventive measures against infectious diseases in school life. In addition, please understand if there are signs of the spread of infection, we will promptly notify you of the resumption of online classes.

### Sports Day

On Saturday, October 24 we will hold our annual Sports Day. Please consult the program that was recently distributed.

- 1. For safety and prevention measures against COVID-19, we will have a shorter sports day program this year. In addition, only the presence of parents of grade 1 and 6 are allowed.
- 2. After the sports day event, students are to return to their respective classroom to have school lunch together and parents do not need to prepare their lunch from home.
- 3. If the sports events is not possible on the 24th (Sat), we will notify you by activating the simultaneous mail delivery service at 5:30 in the morning of same the day. There will be a regular class with lunch and 13:40 dismissal.
- 4. If the sports events is cancelled on the 24th (Sat), it will be rescheduled on the 26th (Mon). School lunch will be served and dismissal time is 12:45.
- 5. On the day of the sports day, students must come to school wearing school uniform and change to P.E. clothes in school with white socks. Please remember that students are wearing navy blue socks coming to school so if they forgot to bring white socks, a new one will be given as purchased from the boutique.
- 6. There will be no school bus services for parents this year, and also parents are not allowed to ride the regular school bus for students.
- 7. Parents must check with their child regarding leaving school after the events. Kindly notify the class teacher thru communication notebook for any changes.
- 8. Please observe the rules and manners regarding the use of all school parking area. The primary school ground will be available also for parking.
- 9. All event materials used for each grade are purchased and will be deducted from students' account. Make sure to label or write names on it. Headbands used by the cheering and relay members are school property, so please wash and iron them. Please return it to each class teacher by Saturday, October 31.

# Change Over to Winter Uniforms

From October the change over period from summer to winter uniforms will begin and continue to the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Be sure that students come to school with dark skirts or trousers, dark socks, and dark hats. Blazers and short sleeve shirts and blouses are optional until the 15<sup>th</sup>. Winter smocks will also be changed so be sure that all buttons are in place and name tags are affixed with the current student's grade year.

#### After School Play and Study for Grade One Begins

From October 6 grade 1 students will be able to participate in after school play and study. For those wishing to play after school you must communicate your intention to do so via the communication notebook. As making such requests by telephone on the day leads to problems we ask that you refrain from such practices. In case of rain, after school play is always cancelled and students return home at the regular time so be sure to take care of such eventualities. The departure time for the after school bus is 15:25 and arrives at Kisarazu station via the Kururi Line Gion station route only. The other bus routes such as Kawasaki, Urayasu, Shinagawa, Yokohama, and Chiba are not in service and students taking part in after school activities will be required to make their own arrangements to return home from Kisarazu Station. For students being picked up we ask that they be watched carefully and do not play in the parking lot area as there is danger from traffic.

#### Music Class Reminders

During the music class, students are observing safety precautional measures against COVID-19, so they were not able to practice singing and use musical instruments as recommended by various music experts. Starting this month of October, regular music class will resume learning skills in singing and using instruments. Third graders will receive a letter and slip order with details of purchasing a soprano recorder.

## Bags and Belts

Black sub bags are being sold at the Maria boutique to be used by students in grade 4 and above although it should be noted that the purchase is not mandatory and the continued use of shoulder bags is perfectly acceptable. Grades 3 and under are to use shoulder bags but if these will not accommodate belongings please consult the appropriate persons about

solutions. The blue lesson bags are to be used in the school for file storage and to hold items needed for lessons in other classrooms. These bags are to be hung on the hooks on the right side of student desks. If these bags have become lost please order a new one. Belts may be worn from grade 5 and up but only Gyosei issued belts are acceptable.



# Maria Boutique Announcement

If you wish to submit your backpack for repair, please be sure to write a note detailing the part you wish to be repaired along with the necessary forms. Ordering P.E. jerseys will be accepted until October 17.

It is the season to change summer school uniform to winter version. Please be aware that it would take a month to prepare to be ready with it as soon as orders are requested.

If you are considering a replacement of any product, or if you are buying for the first time, please order it after trying of fitting the sample from our boutique. If you do not know the size of the product you want to purchase, please visit and try on at the boutique or in primary school and remember that bringing items home for trying or fitting is not allowed. We are asking for your kind understanding and cooperation.

#### Halloween

On October 31, the A course students will have a Halloween party during English lessons and the B course students will have a Halloween party during one of the lessons. The school will be providing snacks and drinks so students will not need to bring their own. All students are encouraged to change into costume on the day and we ask that costume preparation not pose any undue burden. Please do not bring costumes that expose the skin and any other items that will be bulky and hard to carry to and from school. Photo Create will be in the school taking photos of the classes and some will appear in the graduation album. Please be sure not to forget your costumes.

## **Educational Planning Consultations**

Those in the sixth grade interested in consultations regarding Junior High School please inform your homeroom teacher or call directly to the vice principal.



# Schedule for October

Date	Plan	School bus Departure	After School Study/Play
1 (Thurs)	Winter uniform change over period until the 15 <sup>th</sup>	14:30	0
2 (Fri)	Eiken (Grade level 4 and 5)	14:30	0
3 (Sat)	Eiken (Grade level 3, pre-2, and 2)	13:40	
4 (Sun)			
5 (Mon)	Computer Class for B (Grade 3 above)	13:40	
6 (Tue)	Start of after school activities for grade 1 Deadline of French Test	13:40	0
7 (Wed)	Committee (Grade 5 and 6)	15:25	
8 (Thurs)		14:30	0
9 (Fri)		14:30	
10 (Sat)	1 <sup>st</sup> Entrance Examination for SY 2020 Pvt. School Promotion Rally in Makuhari International Convention Hall 14:00-16:00		
11 (Sun)			
12 (Mon)	Computer Class for A (Grade 3 above)	14:30	
13 (Tue)		14:30	0
14 (Wed)	Club (Grade 4 above)	15:25	
15 (Thurs)	1st Scoliosis Check (Grade 5)	14:30	0
16 (Fri)		14:30	0
17 (Sat)	Suken (Math Test)	13:40	
18 (Sun)			
19 (Mon)	Computer Class for B (Grade 3 above)	14:30	
20 (Tue)		14:30	0
21 (Wed)	Committee (Grade 5 and 6)	15:25	
22 (Thurs)	Sports Day Practice	14:30	0
23 (Fri)	Sports Day Prepare	12:45	
24 (Sat)	Sports Day	12:45 13:40 (if postponed)	
25 (Sun)			
26 (Mon)	Computer Class for A (Grade 3 above) Sports Day (Replacement day)	14:30 12:45	
27 (Tue)		14:30	0
28 (Wed)	Club (Grade 4 above)	15:25	
29 (Thurs)		14:30	0
30 (Fri)		14:30	0
31 (Sat)	Halloween Activities	13:40	
Note	Start of Grade 1 afterschool activities from October 6.		