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God's Sacred Heart

June is designated as the month of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Jesus Christ is with us. As the hymn says, if we look up at the sky, we can see birds flying. Lilies bloom beautifully in the field. God cares about even the smallest things.

We are God's children. The children who attend this school are like brothers and sisters. Let us help each other and treat others well so that we can spend our time happily together. We are not to make people sad, but to make them happy.

There are more than seven billion people living on this earth today. Of these, 120 million live in Japan. It is estimated that a billion people around the world are starving, and 5,000 children are dying every day. We are all fellow human beings living on the earth. Animals, plants, humans...God is pouring His will into them. We must not forget to be kind and considerate to others.

The teachings of not doing evil and not causing grief do not change even when you grow up. The most important rule that Christ, God, taught us is to "love your neighbor. It means that you should be considerate to others. It means that you should forgive others.

It is the rainy season, but I hope that you will have a heart as peaceful as the blue sky in May and as soft as the breeze. God is pleased that you have spent the months of April, May, and June growing in mind and body.

June 2007

D. Tagawa S.M.

- Monthly Verse:** Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Matthew 5:5
- Monthly Hymn:** "Please Do Not Forget"
- Monthly Motto:** Let's prevent injury and accident. Let's be safe.
Let's review the first term and prepare for the summer break.
- Monthly Safety Goal:** Let's stay calm and quiet on the bus.



Message from Deputy Principal

Many hydrangeas are blooming behind the administration building right now. It is June, the month of the Sacred Heart. In his teaching this month, Fr. Tagawa teaches about God's care for even the smallest things and about loving and forgiving our neighbors. But this is not an easy thing to do.

During the morning Bible reading the other day, one of the children from the religious committee read a passage from the Gospel of St. Matthew. It was a passage from Jesus' teaching, "If someone hits you on your right cheek, turn the left cheek, too. Children often say, "A said this, so I said to him back," or "B did that, so I hit him back. However, Jesus' teaching is that we should not take revenge no matter

what may happen. Jesus taught, "Love thine enemies," which is not easy even for adults. We must realize that God's rule extends even to our enemies and that we have a Father who cares for them. In the book of Samuel, David was dissuaded from killing Saul because he realized that the Lord was in control. Jesus is with us always and everywhere.

James said, "Be doers of the Words. Do not be one who deceives himself and ends up only listening." These are heavy words.

Swimming Lesson

On Tuesday, May 28, the 6th graders went for the first swimming lesson this school year. Students were divided into four groups according to the level of swimming skills. Students participated well in the swimming lesson and enjoyed it.

Also, it was 5th graders' turn to go swimming today. From next month onward, we will give swimming lessons to 4th graders and below. We will distribute a letter and participation agreement when the lesson date gets closer. On the schedule date of swimming, students must not forget any items for use a swimwear, a swimming cap, beach sandals and a towel, including participation agreement.



Tooth Brushing Competition

The 4th graders participated in the Tooth Brushing Competition, which is held every year during "Tooth and Mouth Health Week". In the competition, they learned about oral health: how to differentiate healthy gums from gums with inflammation, how to brush their teeth properly, and how to use dental floss. Actual videos and demonstrations of how to brush your teeth and how to use a dental floss are available on the competition's website. We hope that families from other grades will also take a look. (The video will be available until Friday, June 28)



Parents' Observation Day, General Meeting and Individual Parents-Teacher Conferences

Thank you for visiting our school for the general meeting, parents class observation and individual parents-teacher conferences. For parents who were not able to attend the general meeting, the documents that were distributed during the meeting will be given to the student.

Kanji Kentei

The Kanji Proficiency Test will be held on Friday, July 5. 60 students will take the test: 4 for Level 5, 11 for Level 6, 9 for Level 7, 11 for Level 8, 10 for Level 9, and 15 for Level 10. The results will arrive at the school during the summer holidays and will be distributed in the second term. If you want to know the result during the summer holidays, please contact the school. The next test will be held on Friday, January 31 in the third term. Students who did not take the test this time are encouraged to try next time.

After School Study and Play Ends

After school study and play for the first term will end on Thursday, July 4th. Dismissal time will be back to normal schedule.

School Cleaning

On Thursday, July 18th, during the 5th and 6th periods from 12:55 we will have our first term school general cleaning. Cleaning areas will be divided for some upper grade students and teachers. Students can bring their own rubber gloves and towel rags. They will wear their own P.E. uniforms. Borrowing from school will not be allowed.



From Library

Book lending for the first term will end on Friday, July 5th. Books cannot be checked out during the long vacation. If you have any borrowed books at home, please return them to the library by Friday, July 12th.

Red and White Hats and Smocks

As a measure to prevent heat stroke, we have decided that all children must wear a red and white hat when playing outside. If they do not have one, they will not be able to play outside. (Red and white hat is also required in P.E. class.)

Smocks are provided to prevent students from soiling their uniforms during arts, crafts, calligraphy and lunch time, etc. Some children do not bring them to school, so please make sure they will bring them. They will wear them during outside play.



Students Umbrella

Students that are coming to school with an umbrella on a rainy day must bring it back home on the same day. Collapsible umbrellas left at school are to be kept in the student's classroom lockers. Umbrellas that are left in the umbrella racks for a long-time span and without a name tag will be disposed of during the summer vacation.

Summer Competitions

We will soon distribute a list of summer competitions in which students may enter their works if they want to. There are also a great many other nation-wide competitions students are free to enter, which are not introduced by our school. Please be sure to bring the works to the school if they must be submitted through our school. Moreover, this year, we will display their summer projects in the primary school building in 2nd term. Works may be crafts, research projects, paintings, drawings, calligraphy, essays or other things. Please be prepared to submit one work after the summer holidays.

Jr. and Sr. Highschool Briefing Sessions

For families that are interested to enroll in our Jr. and Sr. high school department, you are all invited to come and participate in the briefing sessions. Please apply directly with the application form on our website. URL: www.gis.ac.jp/secondary/event/

Date	Reception	Time	Contents
2024年7月27日(Sat)	9:30-	10:00-12:20	Explanation
2024年8月9日(Tue)			Dormitory Tour
2024年9月7日(Sat)	8:40-	9:10-12:20	Explanation
2024年10月5日(Sat)			Class Observation
2024年11月4日(Mon)			Dormitory Tour

Notice from Maria Boutique

The two types of school black leather shoes (boots type and loafers type with size 22.0 cm and up) are available for purchasing at Maria boutique since 2020. The boots type shoes with size 22.0 cm and above are also available now for purchasing but we have only a few in stock. It may take about 3 months upon order. It is recommended to try fitting the shoes at the boutique considering the differences in shape of feet.

Also, when purchasing the school hat, please make sure to write in the order sheet the size below. Please exchange items within 1 week.

Pique Hat (for summer) ...L:56cm, LL:58cm, LLL:60cm

Beret Hat (for winter) ...LL:58cm, LLL:60cm

Red and White Hat...normal, large

We are currently considering making belts for boys. We will let you know when details are finalized.

Student Accounts

The foreign language textbooks for this school year were debited at the end of May. Please check your statement. If your balance is insufficient, please make a transfer. Since we are planning to make further withdrawals for examination fees and swimming instruction, we ask that you transfer a little more money in a timely manner so that your balance will not be insufficient again.

Account funds can be replenished by bank transfer to the following accounts. (Please also include the name of the child)

Mitsubishi UFJ Bank Kisarazu branch savings account number: 0279121

Chiba Bank Kisarazu branch savings account number: 1100029



Date	July Schedule	Departure times	After School Study/Play
1(Mon)	P.C. for B Course, Grade 3 and up General Assembly	14:45	—
2(Tue)		14:45	○
3(Wed)	Club Activities for Grade 4 and up	15:35	—
4(Thurs)	Last Day for After School Study and Play	14:45	○
5(Fri)	Last Day of Borrowing Books from the Library	14:45	—
6(Sat)	Open School for Prospective Students	13:55	—
7(Sun)			
8(Mon)	P.C. for A Course, Grade 3 and up	14:45	—
9(Tue)	Swimming Lesson for Grade 4	14:45	—
10(Wed)	Committee for Grade 5 and up	15:35	—
11(Thurs)		14:45	—
12(Fri)	Last Day for Returning Borrowed Books from the Library	14:45	—
13(Sat)	1 st Test for Transfer Students	13:55	—
14(Sun)			
15(Mon)	Marine Day		
16 (Tue)		14:45	—
17 (Wed)	Club Activities for Grade 4 and up	15:35	—
18(Thurs)	School General Cleaning (5 th and 6 th period)	14:45	—
19(Fri)		14:45	—
20(Sat)	Last Day of 1 st Term, Closing Ceremony * Students will leave after lunch	12:00	—
Summer Vacation from July 21st until September 1st 2nd Term School Opening Ceremony on September 2nd Monday			
Note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please pick up the grade 1 morning glory plants and the grade 2 tomatoes. They are placed at the school entrance. Please follow the homeroom teacher's instruction and bring them back home by the closing ceremony. • Second term opening ceremony will be on September 2nd. Lunch will be served and regular dismissal time. 		