



### Message for the Month of Mary

May is the most beautiful season of the year in Japan. A French poet named Anatole France celebrated spring by saying "Le printemps s'approche de nous (Spring is approaching)." Nature is revived. During this season in Japan, the air is clean, the greenery is abundant, and the water is clean. This month is a special month dedicated to Mother Mary for Catholic churches and is called "the month of Mary". Virgin Mary is the Mother of Heaven, Mother of Jesus, and also our Mother. Catholics all over the world pray to Mother Mary. Many people in the world are currently suffering from the coronaviruses. God has given us a painful illness. People are enduring the sufferings and doing their best. Let's pray for those who are suffering now. Let's pray to God that he would give eternal life to those who have passed away. Let's pray to Mother Mary to act as an intermediary so that peace will come soon to those who are suffering from the coronaviruses. Also, please thank God for giving you a lot of new friends this April, and do your best to get along well with each other, study happily every day, and grow bigger in knowledge. Time is money. Time goes by fast. Time is our mind, our life, and our living itself. It is important for you to use your time wisely every day during this new school year. Studying is important, but please never forget to learn to be a considerate person as well.

**Monthly Verse:** Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.  
Voici la servante du Seigneur; que tout se passe pour moi selon ta parole.  
LUKE 1-38

**Monthly Motto:** Let's be on time for our classes.  
Walk in the hallway quietly on the left side and avoid injury.

**Monthly Safety Goal:** No Running in the Corridor.

### Grade 1 Welcome Party

On April 17<sup>th</sup> Saturday, the annual welcome activity for first graders was held in the 1-A and 1-B respective classrooms. Student representatives from upper grades handed over and presented some items and message cards to welcome this year's grade one.

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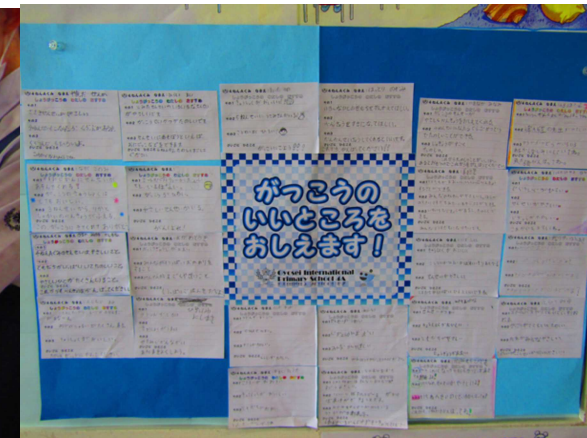
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### Two Grade Level Spring Trip

At present, we are planning to have spring trips and still considering the different destinations with their availability that is suitable for every class and grade. Depending on situation and safety policy of the desired destination, it is not possible to have two grade level trips together. For further details, we are going to release the information later.

### Kisarazu/Sodegaura Area Track and Field Meet

The annual track and field meet for Kisarazu/Sodegaura area is scheduled to be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. For safety reasons due to COVID-19, student from upper grade level are the only eligible to participate. Parents will not be allowed to watch the games. Trials will be held in P.E. class and selected student's families will be notified later this month for more details. In case of bad weather (rain), it will be rescheduled on the 21<sup>st</sup> Friday.

### Student ID Cards

Student ID photos and ID cards have been prepared. If students need photos for such things as registering for tests, please ask your homeroom teacher to provide a photo for you. The cost for the pictures is 980 Yen and is deducted from your student accounts. The students will receive 4 pictures.

### After School Study and Play

From May 7<sup>th</sup> Friday, students in grade 2 and up may have after school play and study on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. There will be no after school play on rainy days. If your child plans to play after school, we ask that the homeroom teacher be informed via the communication notebook. Your child's homeroom teacher will inform you as to whether study sessions are required. Supplementary lessons will be given to new/transfer students thru the recommendation of the subject teacher. Details of the extra lessons will be published and given next time. The school bus service going to Kisarazu Station is available and will depart at 15:35 with a stopover.

Grade 1 students will begin study and play in the second term.

### P.E. Clothes

Students are instructed to bring home P.E. clothes after they are worn. If students have an extra set of clothes at school while the other ones are being washed, this will cut down on forgotten items for P.E. We ask that students always have a set at the school. When hats become visibly dirty, please take them home to be cleaned. As students use P.E. hats during disasters, we ask that hats always be kept in the pocket of lesson bags for easy access.

### Maria Boutique

If you need to change the size of the purchased items from Maria Boutique, kindly do it within a week after it was purchased. Please be sure to present the copy of the receipt. In addition, items without box, tags and changed after purchased will not be accepted for replacement. This is decided since there's a lot of inquiries for exchanging items that was purchased months ago.

This is to inform you that the present manufacturer and supplier of our school uniform stopped production and. Kindly place an order earlier to avoid some delays. If you have any inquires and questions kindly call the Maria boutique directly - Tel. 0438-52-2510.

### School Parking Lot

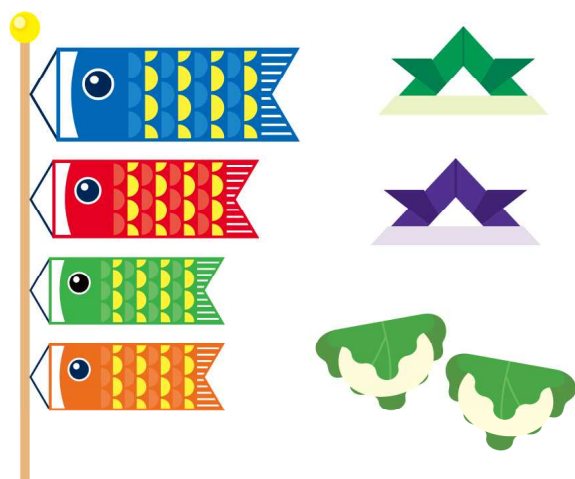
We are requesting you to share the few spaces of the primary school parking lot by not staying too long when you drop off, pick up your child and avoid long conversations with other parents. For safety reasons, students are not allowed to enter, stay and play in the bushes. For families using Kawasaki Station for drop off and pick up, please use the paid parking lot to avoid being warned by the police authorities.

### Traveling to and from School

If the method your child will use to either come to the school or return home will be different from usual, then please inform your child's home room teacher via the communication notebook. Try to avoid informing the school by telephone on the day as this can lead to confusion.

### Submission of Commuter IDs

In case your commuter pass used from the previous year has expired, or if you are ordering a commuter pass from the current year, you will need to submit transportation information. Commuter IDs are valid for one month from the date of issue. Please make arrangements with your homeroom teacher.



| Date                      | May Schedule  | Departure Time | After School Study/Play |
|---------------------------|---|----------------|-------------------------|
| 1 (Sat) - 5 (Wed) Holiday |   |                |                         |
| 6 (Thurs)                 |   | 14:45          | ----                    |
| 7 (Fri)                   | After school play and study begins for grade 2 and up   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 8 (Sat)                   | Grade 1 Open School/Parents Meeting   | 13:55          | ----                    |
| 9 (Sun)                   |   |                |                         |
| 10 (Mon)                  | P.C. for B course students  | 14:45          | ----                    |
| 11(Tue)                   |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 12 (Wed)                  | Club  | 15:35          | ----                    |
| 13(Thurs)                 | Dental Check for all grades (smock)   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 14 (Fri)                  |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 15(Sat)                   | Grade 2 Open School/Parents Meeting<br>Online Explanation Session (Prospective Parents)   | 13:55          | ----                    |
| 16 (Sun)                  |   |                |                         |
| 17 (Mon)                  | P.C. for A course students<br>School uniform change period until May 31st   | 14:45          | ----                    |
| 18 (Tue)                  |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 19(Wed)                   | Committee<br>Kisarazu/Sodegaura Track Meet (Sodegaura City Athletic Stadium)  | 15:35          | ----                    |
| 20 (Thurs)                |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 21 (Fri)                  | Kisarazu/Sodegaura Track Meet (replacement day in case of rain)   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 22 (Sat)                  | Eiken (1 <sup>st</sup> )  | 13:55          | ----                    |
| 23 (Sun)                  |   |                |                         |
| 24 (Mon)                  | P.C. for B course students<br>Mother Mary Celebration   | 14:45          | ----                    |
| 25 (Tue)                  |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 26 (Wed)                  | Club  | 15:35          | ----                    |
| 27 (Thurs)                | Grade 6 National Achievement Test   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 28 (Fri)                  |   | 14:45          | ○                       |
| 29 (Sat)                  | Grade 4 Open School/Parents Meeting   | 13:55          | ----                    |
| 30 (Sun)                  |   |                |                         |
| 31(Mon)                   | P.C. for A course students  | 14:45          | ----                    |
| Notes                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After school activities begin from second term for grade one.</li> <li>• Uniform change over period from May 17<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup> . Summer uniform starts from June 1<sup>st</sup> .</li> <li>• Sports Test until May 31<sup>st</sup> .</li> </ul> |                |                         |