



God is life itself

We are living this way, here and now. Or rather, it is probably more appropriate to say, "We are being kept alive. Our life, both beginning and ending, has been given to us. In the face of this fact, let us mind our words, hang our heads, and give thanks.

One becomes arrogant when he forgets that his life is kept alive by other lives. We are but a speck of dust. But we are not mere dust, but God's beloved dust. In other words, we are fleeting but irreplaceable. By serving each other's life, we are led to true happiness.

"Do not be afraid. I am with you" (Isaiah 43.5).

According to the Church calendar, March 9th marks the first Sunday of Lent, the period of preparation for the Christian Passion and Resurrection. I hope that everyone will make the most of each and every day.

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Verse for March

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you. -JOHN 15:16-

Hymn for March

"Shalom" Catholic Holy Hymn No.314, ("Tomoyo Utaou" p. 80)

Motto for March

Let's review all we have learned.
Let's keep our school environment clean.

Safety Reminder for March

Foresee what will happen to keep yourself safe!

Message from Principal

As the third term draws to a close, we have reached the final stage of the school year. Over the past year, the children have accumulated many experiences through their daily studies, school events, and interactions with their friends. Not everything went smoothly; there were surely times when things did not go as they had hoped and they struggled. However, I feel certain that each and every one of those moments has been a definite step forward in their growth.

As expressed in the Scripture verse for March, these words of Christ give us a powerful message: "You are not here by chance." Each of those who have been chosen and entrusted by God has his own role that has been given to him. The very existence of each and every child is precious—this is something we will continue to uphold and cherish.

Over the past year, we have witnessed many moments in school life: children showing kindness to their friends, taking on new challenges, and striving to rise again after experiencing failure. I think that not only visible grades and results, but even more so the inner growth of the heart, are the irreplaceable fruits of this year. This progress has been made possible by the warm support of families at home. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to you all.

Before long, a new school year will begin. Advancing to the next grade brings not only anticipation but also a measure of anxiety. However, the assurance that they have been chosen and are loved by God will surely be a great source of strength for the children. We, as teachers and other staff entrusted with their care, also renew our sense of mission and look forward to welcoming the new academic year with that commitment firmly in our hearts.

At home as well, please take a moment to reflect on your child's progress over the past year and say to them, "Good job!" That single phrase can give them the courage to take their next step. As we move toward the new spring, I sincerely hope that each child will be able to freely and fully express the gifts they have been given.

Student Council Election

On Thursday, January 29, we held an election for the Student's Council, and the members for the 2026 school year have been elected.

President	████████████████████
Vice-President	████████████████████
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Secretary	████████████████████
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Music Festival

On Saturday, February 21, we held a music concert in the gym No.2. All grades successfully demonstrated the results of what they had been practicing in their music classes.



Spelling Bee Contest

We held the Spelling Bee Contest on Tuesday, February 24, which had originally been scheduled to take place during the English Learning Presentation. The class representatives who won their preliminary rounds held in each class from 3rd to 6th grade competed. ██████████ won the championship.



School Evaluation Questionnaires

Thank you for your cooperation in answering the school evaluation questionnaire. We will make every effort to improve our education and school management further, taking your valuable feedback into consideration. Your evaluation will be announced on our website and via Mimamorume as soon as they have been compiled. In addition, regarding individual requests, we will think them carefully and proceed with those that can be addressed.

After School Study and Play

On Friday, February 27, the "after school study and play" will end. It will be the last one of this school year.

School Library

Library books can be borrowed until Friday, February 27. The last day to return books is Friday, March 6. Please check if there are any books kept at home that your child has forgotten to return.

Standard Achievement Tests

Academic achievement tests will be held between Monday, March 2 and Friday, March 6. Please note that make-up tests will not be available even in case of absence. The test results will be distributed in April.

School Cleaning

The 3rd term school general cleaning is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, during the 5th and 6th periods. It will be conducted by students and teachers only. Students need to bring rag towels, gloves and wear their P.E. uniforms. Please be reminded that the school will not provide or lend the stuff.

School Year Closing and Graduation Ceremony

From this academic year, the 3rd term closing ceremony and the graduation ceremony will be held on separate days.

Closing Ceremony (Grades 1–6):

At the pilotis, 8:45–9:10 a.m. Friday, March 13

After the ceremony, the students will have H.R. and school lunch in each classroom.

Students will be dismissed when the school bus departs at 12:00 p.m.

Graduation Ceremony (Grade 6 students and Grade 5 representatives):

In the chapel, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 14

Please note that there will be no school bus service on that day.

Questionnaire on How to Commute and on the Passed Certification Test Levels

We conducted a survey with Grades 1–5 regarding their commuting methods for the new school year and checked the levels of any certification exams they have passed. If you have not yet submitted your responses, please do so as soon as possible. This survey and confirmation must be submitted by everyone, even if there are no changes. Submissions via fax are also acceptable (Fax: 0438-52-3856). Thank you for your cooperation.

-A school commuter certificate issued by the school on April 1st is required if your child changes his/her commuting method or route from April and needs to purchase a new commuter pass. The same applies in the event that his/her station changes. We will provide you with the application form if you call us. If there are no changes, your child can continue to purchase his/her commuter pass as usual.

- Concerning the 3rd English Proficiency Test, the results of the 2nd test will be mailed to the examinees from the Eiken office by Tuesday, March 17. The students who took the 1st test at the open center are requested to inform the school of the result upon receipt of it.

- Concerning the 2nd Kanji Proficiency Test, at and from 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 5, you can make sure your child's pass/fail result if you call us. The official result reports are scheduled to be mailed to the school around Thursday, March 12, so they will be handed out at the start of the new school term.

- Concerning the first Math Proficiency Test, on and from Friday, March 6, we can check your child's pass/fail result on the web. Please give us a call if you would like to know the result. Individual result reports will also be mailed to the school and will be distributed at the start of the new school term.

Religion Textbooks

The same Religion textbook may be used next year too. Please keep it.

Order of French Dictionary

We will distribute order forms of French dictionaries separately. Please submit it by March 9 if you want us to order one for your child.

2026 School Year's School Items

Notebooks and files for the new school year will be purchased at school and given in the classroom in April. New correspondence notebooks will also be provided at the school. Please replenish or replace

worn out school supplies (glue, paints, etc.) at home.

Student's School Items and Uniform

Please repair the smock if it has a missing button or a fray on it. Also, if it is dirty, your child will take it home, so please wash it and get your child to bring it to school the next day. Moreover, please make sure that your child's smock is in a suitable size.

We see some students not wearing berets or not tying their hair up. Please make sure they are properly dressed including a beret. Also, please write your child's name on all his/her belongings.

Contest Awards

At the 6th Video Contest, held during the 33rd One World Festival with the aim of promoting understanding of the principles of the SDGs as well as international exchange and international cooperation, the work of **Kiki Amatsu from Class 4-E** was selected for the Grand Prize.

You can watch **Ms. Amatsu** movie if you access the website below:

<https://onefes.net/contest/>

Schedule for March			Departure time	After School Study/Play
1(Sun.)	(High School Graduation Ceremony)			
2(Mon.)	General Assembly	Standard Achievement Tests	14:45	—
3(Tue.)			14:45	—
4(Wed.)	Last Day for Club Activities for Grade 4 and up		15:35	—
5(Thurs.)			14:45	—
6(Fri.)	Last Day of Returning Borrowed Books from the Library		14:45	—
7(Sat.)	(Junior High School Graduation Ceremony)		12:55	—
8(Sun.)				
9(Mon.)			14:45	—
10(Tue.)	Farewell Activities for Grade 6		14:45	—
11(Wed.)	Last Day for Committee for Grade 5 and up		15:35	—
12(Thurs.)	School General Cleaning Day (5 th and 6 th period)		14:45	—
13(Fri.)	School Year Closing Ceremony (8:45 – 9:10)		12:00	—
14(Sat.)	Graduation Ceremony (9:30 – 11:00)			—
Grades 1–5: No school				
Spring Holidays to April 7 th				
~ 2026 School Year ~				
April 8 (Wed.)	Opening Ceremony and Entrance Ceremony (9:30 - 11:00) ※Regular school schedule for grades 2 to 6. Lunch will be served. ※Dismissal time for grades 2 to 6 will be at 12:30		12:30	—
Note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inquiries during spring holidays-school office from Mon. to Fri. 9:00 to 15:00, Sat. from 9:00 to 12:00 • Please do not bring and leave any school items during the spring holidays. • Maria Boutique will be open irregularly during the spring holidays. Please call them and make sure it is open before your visit. 			