

[Women's Medical Checkup for Foreign Women]When: Saturday October 23rd, 13:30~15:00Where: Minatomachi Clinic, 2nd floor; Yokohama-shi Kanagawa-ku Kinkō-chō 7 – 6, next to Yoyogi Seminar building.

Access: 1-minute walk from Keihin-Kyuko Kanagawa Station; 7-minute walk from JR Yokohama Station North-East Exit A.

Exams to be performed: cytodiagnosis of the cervix; gynecologic ultrasound exam; chlamydia test.

Cost: ¥5,000 for the set (whether or not you have insurance)

Languages spoken: English, Tagalog, Korean, Thai, Spanish, Portuguese, Burmese.

Contact: MF-MASH Minatomachi Clinic 045-453-3673.

All staffers are women. Will mail exam results to where you direct. Men are not allowed inside the facility. (Boys of elementary school age or below are allowed.)

[33rd Kawasaki Citizens' Festival] (Kawasaki City's largest festival)When: Friday October 29th through Sunday October 31st, 10:00~16:30

Where: Fujimi Park and environs, Kawasaki Ward

Access: 15-minute walk from JR Kawasaki Station and Keikyu Kawasaki Station

※No parking available near the Festival site. Please come by bus or train.

※If you must come by car, please park in paid parking near Kawasaki Station.

※If it rains some events connected with this Festival may be cancelled.

What to expect: Stalls selling food and other goods from around the world; on stage, dance and music performances from across the globe. Chances to meet people from other countries. Parade on Saturday October 30th at 11am.Contact: the executive committee of the 33rd Kawasaki Citizens' Festival (between 9am and 5pm)

TEL: 044-200-2308

FAX: 044-245-5077

**[Entering Elementary School in Kawasaki City] ~Notice concerning application procedures~**

1. Children of foreign nationality who want to enter elementary school must make an application to do so.
2. To begin as a first-year elementary student in April 2011, a child needs to have been born between April 2nd, 2004 and April 1st, 2005.
3. Regardless of status of residence, the same qualifications need to be met in order to enter school.
4. To apply for a child, you need: ① an application form (*shūgaku shinsei sho*) (available at ward offices, branch ward offices, and elementary schools) ② a document confirming the child's address and birthday
5. For more information or to submit an application: the *kumin kakari* at the Ward Residents Section at the ward office; at branch offices, either the *kumin kakari* at the Ward Residents Services Department or the *kumin daiichi kakari*.



*Applications for a child entering school can be accepted at any time. However, for those entering the first year of elementary school there is a medical checkup, so they need to apply by October 13th. For children entering junior high school, information sessions and school applications start in December.

Applying for the medical checkup for new first-year elementary school students

Medical exams for children about to enter the first year of elementary school will be held between November 1 and November 30 at certain elementary schools. If you want your child to receive an exam please contact the health education section of the Board of Education at:

TEL 044-200-3293, FAX 044-200-3950.

You will be informed thereafter by mail of the place, time and date of your child's checkup.



What should I do if there's a typhoon?

Japan gets a lot of typhoons between August and October. Strong winds and heavy rains can cause power outages and interrupt bus and train service. Being prepared for a typhoon can help bring you peace of mind.



■ To check and prepare before the typhoon comes:

- windows and shutters are properly closed
- outside antennas are properly secured against the wind
- trash cans, potted plants, laundry paraphernalia etc. are brought inside or well secured outside
- emergency supplies and equipment are ready (flashlight, portable radio, first aid supplies, drinking water, candles, matches, etc.)
- you know where your evacuation area is and how to get to it

■ When the typhoon is approaching:

- Stay up-to-date with the weather report and typhoon information => monitor the radio or TV
- Stay away from dangerous places. Rivers rising due to heavy rains are dangerous. Stay away also from places that might get landslides.
- When danger approaches, or when an evacuation order is given, evacuate immediately. Carry only the essentials and put them all on your back, so that your hands are free, and walk to your evacuation area.



~~~~~Japanese Language Classes~~~~~

“Fun And Useful Japanese For Foreigners”: the second semester started in September!

The place is the Kawasaki International Center. The Japanese language is taught in groups of 5-6 students per teacher.

Students study not only Japanese language, but also Japanese culture and events in Kawasaki.

☆ Morning Course: every Tuesday and Friday from 10am to noon

2nd semester: September 17 (Friday) to December 3 (Friday), ¥11,000 (22 lessons total)

3rd semester: 2011 January 11 (Tuesday) to March 11 (Friday), ¥8,500 (17 lessons total)

*Free child care is available during the morning lessons, for children 1 year old and above.

☆ Evening Course: every Wednesday from 6:30pm to 8:30pm

2nd semester: September 1 to December 15: ¥7,500 (15 lessons total)

3rd semester: 2011 January 12 to March 9: ¥4,500 (9 lessons total)

*Prospective students who can read hiragana and katakana are asked to take a level-check test.

*Beginning students will use a textbook created by our volunteer teachers: *Nihongo 160 Jikan*; there are two volumes, and each volume costs ¥1200 *Textbook fees are in addition to the course fees, and are required.

*No refunds on course fees.



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**Counseling in Foreign Languages (10:00 – 12:00, 13:00 – 16:00) TEL: 044-435-7000**

### Kawasaki International Center

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|------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| English    | Monday - Saturday | Chinese | Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday |
| Portuguese | Tuesday, Friday   | Spanish | Tuesday, Wednesday         |
| Korean     | Tuesday, Thursday | Tagalog | Tuesday, Wednesday         |

\* Counseling in Japanese is also available. Please feel free to come for a consultation.

\* Counseling Services for Foreigners on Visa and Others, with a lawyer who is a notary public (Gyouseishoshi) at Kawasaki International Center

Next Available Counseling Session with the Gyouseishishi: Date & Time: Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup>, October 14:00 - 16:00

#### • Kawasaki Ward Office

| Language | Day                            | Hour        |
|----------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| English  | 1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> , Thursday | 14:00-16:30 |
| Chinese  | 1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Tuesday | 14:00-16:30 |
| Tagalog  | 1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Tuesday | 9:30-12:00  |

#### • Asao Ward Office

| Language | Day                             | Hour        |
|----------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| English  | 1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> , Thursday  | 9:30-12:00  |
| Chinese  | 1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Tuesday  | 9:30-12:00  |
| Tagalog  | 1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> , Wednesday | 14:00-16:30 |