December 2012 / January 2013

Hello Kawasaki

Students

Wanted

English, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog, Easy Japanese versions are available. Please visit the Kawasaki International Association's homepage: http://www.kian.or.jp/hlkwsk.html (公財) Kawasaki International Association 〒211-0033 Kanagawa-ken Kawasaki-shi Nakahara-ku Kizuki Gion-cho 2-2 ℡044-435-7000 Fax 044- 435-7010 http://www.kian.or.jp/ E-mail : kiankawasaki@kian.or.jp

The 19th Annual Japanese Speech Contest For Foreign Residents Participants Wanted! Apply by Friday, Jan. 25, 2013

Seeking foreign residents to compete in the contest.

There will be a reception for contestants and audience members after the contest.

[When] Sat. Feb. 16, 2013 13:00~15:30

[Where] Kawasaki International Center: Hall (contest), Reception Room (reception)

(Who) Foreign nationals whose native language is not Japanese, who have lived in Japan for five years or less, and who meet at least one of the following qualifications:

1 Student at university or technical college in Kawasaki City

2 Studying Japanese at a civic hall or the like in Kawasaki City

③ Foreign worker or trainee at a company in Kawasaki City

People meeting 1 or 2 need to be nominated by their school, and those meeting 3

need to be nominated by their supervisor.

※For details contact (公財) Kawasaki International Association

Japanese Lessons For Foreigners **3**rd Term

Morning Course : from Jan.11, 2013 (17 classes) (Every week Tues, Fri) 9:50~11:50

Evening Course : from Jan. 16, 2013 (9 classes)

(Every week Wed.) 18:30~20:30

[Course Fee] Morning Course: ¥8,500 Evening Course: ¥4,500 [Place] Kawasaki International Center meeting room

- ☆ People who can read Hiragana and Katakana are asked to take a level-check test.
- \Rightarrow In addition to the course fee, there is a materials fee.
- ☆ Apply by phone, FAX. E-mail or in person at the Center.



Winter Gathering! a multicultural get-together

Sing, dance, talk, and make friends across national boundaries!! When] Dec. 8 (Sat) 13:00~16:00 [Where] Kawasaki International Center • Reception Room etc. [Size] 100 people no reservation needed [Price] passport for activities: adult ¥500 / elementary or junior high school student ¥200 (Passports go on sale from noon on Dec. 8) [Contents] Opening: 「Enjoying and trying out Otome Bunraku」 Multicultural Workshops: Paper-cutting • Hula dance • Postcard-painting • Shadow-pictures etc. Cultural Exchange Meetings: 「World Tour Of Tea, Mini-concert 」 etc. [Sponsor • Contact] (公財) Kawasaki International Association

Holiday Emergency Clincs • Pediatric Emergency Centers

Over the holidays you can get initial evaluation and treatment for fever, etc. at [Holiday Emergency Clinics].



[Consultation days] Sundays, holidays and <u>12/30 (Sun) - 1/4(Fri) New Year's holidays</u>

[Hours] 9:00~11:30, 13:00~16:00

[Phone Numbers for Holiday Emergency Clinics / Pediatric Emergency Centers]

 \star Hours, etc. are subject to change, so call before you go.

•Nambu Pediatric Emergency Center	044 - 233 - 5521	Sat, Sun, Holidays open 24 hours
(in Kawasaki Municipal Hospital)		Weekdays open $17{:}00 \sim 8{:}30$ the
		next morning
•Kawasaki Holiday Emergency Clinic	044 - 211 - 6555	
•Saiwai Holiday Emergency Clinic	044 - 555 - 0885	
•Nakahara Holiday Emergency Clinic	044-722-7870	
•Takatsu Holiday Emergency Clinic	044-811-9300	
•Miyamae Holiday Emergency Clinic	044-853-2133	
•Tama Holiday and Night Emergency	044-933-1120	Open $18:30 \sim 22:30$ (internal
Clinic		medicine)
•Hokubu Pediatric Emergency Center		$18:30\sim5:30$ (pediatrics)
•Asao Holiday Emergency Clinic	044-966-2133	

Emergency Medical Information Center (24hrs, excludes dental emergencies and medical consultation) Tel 044-222-1919

Influenza & RS-virus

	Influenza	Respiratory Syncytial Virus infection
What kind of illness is it?	An acute infectious respiratory disease caused by the influenza virus.	An infectious respiratory disease caused by the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) which is extremely common in infants.
Symptoms	Runny nose, sneezing, cough, fever above 38 degrees C, headache, other whole-body symptoms can occur.	Nasal discharge, cough, fever can occur. In some cases the coughing gets worse and wheezing can occur.
Prevention	Influenza virus is present in droplets expelled when an infected person sneezes, coughs etc. Wearing a gauze mask, washing hands and gargling regularly are important preventive measures. Vaccination is considered effective not only in preventing the disease but also in reducing severity of symptoms.	RSV is spread through contact with an infected person's mucus, directly or when expelled in droplets in a sneeze, cough etc. So be careful when, for example, handling objects that were in a patient's airway (i.e. toys). Wash hands with soap and water before preparing food, after blowing your nose etc.
How long?	It is said that symptoms usually begin 2-3 days after infection, but in some cases it can lie dormant as long as 10 days. Patient can spread the disease to others from a little before symptoms appear to about 2 weeks after infection.	Lies dormant around 5 days (2-8 days). Even after symptoms end, for 1-3 weeks the patient can spread the disease to others. It is said that the symptom of wheezing can recur again and again for a long time.



Kawasaki Top 10 News

Voting is underway to determine the 10 items of Kawasaki-related news that left the biggest impression on us in 2012. They will be included in "Kawasaki Top 10 News", or *kawasaki-shi jūdai news*. Voters will be entered in a raffle of gifts connected to Kawasaki City, so don't forget to vote!

Voting continues until Tuesday, December 18th.

[How] Fill out a ballot available at any ward office, branch office, civic hall, library etc. Vote where you got the ballot, or on the Kawasaki City website.
[Contact] General Planning Bureau, Planning and Coordination Section:

Tel:044-200-2166 Fax: 044-200-3798

NOTICE OF HOLIDAY CLOSINGS OF CITY OFFICES AND FACLITIES



• City hall, ward offices etc. are basically <u>open through Friday, December 28th</u>.

They close for the holidays, and <u>they then reopen on Friday, January 4th.</u>

O Applies to all facilities, even the Administrative Service Terminals located at Administrative Service Corners, ward offices, branch offices and the like.

 \bigcirc From 12/29 to 1/3 the guard post at ward offices will accept certain reports and notices related to the family register.

O The phone number at the Child Abuse Prevention Center will be staffed 24 hours a day throughout the holidays to take reports of child abuse, or give consultations concerning it.

Child Abuse Prevention Center:0120-874-124

★You can get the phone # or other info about a city facility from the municipal information hotline *Kawasaki Contact Center*, known as "Thank You Call Kawasaki": TEL:044-200-3939 FAX:044-200-3900

It's About End-Of-Year Garbage Collection...J Please check the dates for your area - make sure you know the pickup days! *Oversized trash pickup is by advance reservation. Oversized Trash Center : 044-930-5300 [Hours] 8am - 4:30pm • Apply on the Kawasaki City homepage • 24 hours a day, 365 days a year There is a pamphlet about how to separate and dispose of trash in Kawasaki City ! ! • Available at ward offices, Kawasaki International Center and so forth • In Japanese with furigana, English, Chinese, Korean, Tagalog, Portuguese, and Spanish.







Cultural Exchange Gathering: Try Your Hand At Korean Royal Court Cooking!



February 2nd, 2013(Sat) from 11:00 am to 2:30 pm Instructor: Eun Hee Kwak

[Where] Kawasaki International Center cooking room (If too many apply, we will select by lottery) (Class Limit) 20 【Class Fee】 ¥1,500 (Pay on the day.) X Childcare (for 5 people) [Apply] By reply paid postcard; up to 2 people can apply on 1 postcard.

Please include the following: ①Course name 「Korean Royal Court Cooking」

2 Name (both names if 2 people) 3 Address

(4) Contact info

postcards must arrive January 10 \oplus (Thurs) \sim 25 (Fri) [Application Period] ※For details see the course flyer, KIAN homepage or inquire with (公財) Kawasaki International Association

Kawasaki International Center: Foreign residents can get free advice and information 10-12am, 1-4pm TEL 044-435-7000 English Monday - Saturday Chinese Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Portuguese Korean

Spanish Tagalog

Tuesday, Wednesday Tuesday, Wednesday



•Kawasaki Ward Office free counseling:

Tuesday, Friday

Tuesday, Thursday

Language	Day	Hour
English	1st&3 rd Thursday	14:00-16:30
Chinese	1st& 3 rd Tuesday	14:00-16:30
Tagalog	1st& 3 rd Tuesday	9:30-12:00

·Asao Ward Office free counseling

Language	Day	Hour
English	1st&3 rd Thursday	9:30-12:00
Chinese	1st& 3 rd Tuesday	9:30-12:00
Tagalog	1st&3 rd Wednesday	14:00-16:30

* Free counseling services (in Japanese) for foreigners on visa and other matters, with an administrative scrivener (Gyōseishoshi) is available at Kawasaki International Center, 2nd floor Association Meeting Room. Gyōseishishi next available: December 16th, January 20th (both Sun), 14:00 – 16:00 (interpreter requires a reservation and a fee.)

****** Notice of Holiday Closings of Kawasaki International Center •The Center is closed from Sat. Dec.29, 2012 till Thurs. Jan. 3, 2013.

(The hotel does not close. The restaurant will be open only for hotel guests.)

•The Center reopens on Friday, January 4th. Have a great New Year's holiday!