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City Hall & Ward Offices New Year Holiday Closure Times

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The Kawasaki City Hall and the Ward Offices will continue their services till December 28, 2004 and restart from January 4, 2005. As some services and related facilities will operate irregular services please take care: try contact the service you wish to use before the holiday period to make sure they will be available.

The following are other operating times of the other major services during the end of year and the start of the new year.

The International Center, Shimin Plaza, Shimin Katsudo Center and so on will open until December 28 and reopen from January 4.

The Kyoiku Bunka Hall & related halls, as well as the Shiminkan & affiliated halls will operate till December 27 and start operating again from January 5, but be aware that the receptions of these facilities are open until December 28 and are open next year from January 4.

Libraries, sub-libraries and so on will continue to be open till December 28 and will reopen on January 5. Furthermore, the librarys internet booking system will not be working from 5:00pm December 29 to 5:00pm January 3 due to maintenance work.

The Okamoto Taro Museum, The Japanese Folk Park, The Youth Science Museum, Kawasaki City Museum will operate till December 26 and open again from January 5.

Yonetty Ozenji will open until December 28 and reopen from January 5, however Yonetty Tsutsumine will close after December 28 and will not reopen until February 3 due to maintenance work.

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Funeral Homes such as the Kawasaki Nambu Saien will only be open during December 31st to January 4th for wakes.

Applications with regard to family registers (koseki) and like forms will be accepted at the guard room of Ward Offices for the period from December 29th to January 3rd.

City Bus monthly passes and bus cards will be on sale for the period between December 29th to January 3rd at the City Bus Center.

The Yumemigasaki Animal Park in Saiwai Ward and the Shin-Shuen Park in Kawasaki Ward will be open through the New Year Period.

Information about the days for garbage collection and recyclable garbage in the various areas of Kawasaki is available in the December 1st edition of Kawasaki free newspaper Shisei Dayori.

Also in the same edition is information as to when legal advice etc is available. In the December 21st edition of the Shisei Dayori you can find when emergency clinics and dental emergency clinics have their holidays during the New Year period.

Due to the closing down of the Kawasaki City Citizens Recreation Centers ,Kawasaki City is offering several designated resort facilities at reasonable prices for those who are living or working within Kawasaki City. Kawasaki City Citizens Recreation Centers are available to use until the end of March,2005.For more detailed information, please look at leaflets that have been distributed at ward offices, branch offices and libraries, or please refer to the Kawasaki City Homepage.

Application to Enter Nursery Schools for the Year of 2005

The deadline for the application to enter a nursery school in Kawasaki City from April 2005 is Friday, January 21st, 2005. From February 2005,. selections will be held. Applications, entrance information and questions will be dealt with at the Health and Welfare Center in each ward and Daishi & Tajima Branch Service Centers. If you wish to apply to nursery schools outside of Kawasaki City please contact each local government office.

Get the Water Pipes Ready for Winter

In winter water pipes can become frozen leading to broke and burst pipes, no access to water and so on. To stop this happening, wrap sponges or cloth etc around the pipes to insulate them. If your pipes do freeze either let it naturally melt or pour tepid water over the pipes. If the pipes do burst you should turn the water off at the main and wrap the pipe with tape or cloth and contact the repair services. If you have any questions related to repairs or when you want to request repairs, please contact the Kawasaki City Waterworks Service Bureau Repairs Center at the phone number **0120-014-734**.



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