



# Kei-Sho Chronicle – April 2022

## A New School Year

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**Welcome back!** It's a new school year at Kei-Sho, which means it's time for all the ceremonies that begin the year. Maybe because of cold weather, this year started with the Sakura still in bloom. It was very nice to walk around and look at all the Sakura.

I have been in Japan for 3 years now, but school starting in April still feels different. I think it is a great time for school to start in Japan, as the weather is nice and the flowers are beautiful.

In this month's issue, we will look at the entrance ceremony, and the opening ceremony.





## ***Entrance Ceremony:***

As is tradition, the first event of the school year was the entrance ceremony. On April 5<sup>th</sup>, the new first year students came to school to be officially welcomed. Like previous years, the ceremony was held with some changes because of Covid-19. However, this year, the Keika Band was able to play throughout the ceremony.



The ceremony started with the new students being welcomed with applause and a performance from the band. With a welcome message from the principal, head of the PTA, and a current student representative, the ceremony progressed smoothly. Lastly, the new student's representative gave a pledge and the ceremony ended as it started, with the new students leaving the ceremony with applause and another performance from the band.

**It was excellent to see the Keika Band perform, and I'm happy to welcome the new students to Kei-Sho.**





## ***Opening Ceremony:***



Following the entrance ceremony, the next event was the opening ceremony on the 8<sup>th</sup> of April. This opening ceremony started with the new students being welcomed to the school by all of the current students. At the ceremony, the student council president gave a welcome greeting, as well as a flowers to the new student's representative. This marked the first time the new students met the current students.

After this welcome, the opening ceremony proceeded as usual (*the Covid-19 usual*), with a few speeches before ending.



**I hope everyone had a great Spring holiday! I look forward to seeing the continuing students and meeting the new students! - Llew**