

# Kei-Sho Chronicle – May 2022

## Study Trips

G'day everyone! May is a month with the May Blues (五月病). The new year is busy, and Golden Week gives everyone a chance to relax.

### This Issue:

1<sup>st</sup> years: Mt Fuji

2<sup>nd</sup> years: Odaiba

3<sup>rd</sup> years: Yokohama

To stop the May Blues, Kei-Sho held our Study trips in early May. Each grade went to a different location, and everyone had fun.

The first years went to Lake Kawaguchi overnight, the second years had a day trip to Odaiba, and the third years spent one night in Yokohama.

Unfortunately, May isn't all fun. It's also the month where Kei-Sho has our first mid-term exams.



## **1<sup>st</sup> years: Mt Fuji from Lake Kawaguchi**

With an early morning on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, the first-year students of Kei-Sho got on a bus to Lake Kawaguchi. After arriving around midday, the first activity was lunch. The students ate at a park with a beautiful view of Mt Fuji.



But it wasn't all fun and beautiful views. Next was the "Study" of the study trip. After arriving at the hotel where they would stay the night, lessons began quickly.



In the first hour, the teachers gave a lesson on bookkeeping. And after the lesson ended, the students worked together in groups teaching and helping each other.

Although the goal was studying, they could still have fun. As night approached, the classes competed in business skills to see who had learned the most from the trip.



The second day was more relaxed with a trip to the Mt Fuji heritage centre. Students were able to learn a lot about the history of the mountain and the surrounding lakes. The second day ended with the students catching a bus back to school before being sent home.

**While the trip was only one night, the students did a lot during that time.**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> years: A Day Trip to Odaiba

The second years only had a 1-day trip to in Tokyo, but it was a very busy time.

At 9:30am on Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, the second-year students met at the Tokyo International Exhibition Centre. Because of the large number of students, the classes had different timetables.



Class A and B started the day at AkeruE, the Panasonic Creative Museum. Here, they experienced a program with workshops explaining science and art. And they also had chances to make stuff on their own.



The students of class C and D started the day with free time. Before the trip, students formed groups and decided on a research theme that they would study on the trip. They also decided where they would go to study their research theme. Students went to places like the Future Museum, Kawasaki Robostage, and Diver City. 5 lucky groups were also able to conduct interviews with people from companies like Starbucks, GU, and UNIQLO.

In the afternoon, the classes switched, and class A and B started their free study time, while class C and D went to AkeruE.



While the time was short, the students had a fulfilling day and learnt a lot.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> years: Overnight to Yokohama

Like the first years, the third-year students had an overnight trip, but they went to Yokohama. They started their trip on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, with a bus ride to Hakkeijima Sea Paradise, an aquarium and theme park.

Here the students had free time to experience as much of the park as they could. Of particular interest was the dolphin show and roller coaster.

The students also ate lunch at the sea paradise (the curry was a favourite).



The day ended with everyone moving to Shin Yokohama Prince Hotel where they would stay the night. There they ate dinner and relaxed after a long day.

The next day started with students undertaking a tour of Yamashita Park, where they heard the history of Yokohama and the many museums there, such as the Kanagawa history museum and the national Newspaper Museum.

Everyone then went to the Newspaper museum's Newspark, where they worked in groups to learn about the information society that we live in. They were also able to create commemorative one-of-a-kind newspapers.

The trip ended with lunch and some free time in China town to buy souvenirs before the students were sent home.

**It looks like everyone had a good time on their study trips!**

**I hope you are ready for the rest of the term.**

**- Llew**