

Kei-Sho Chronicle–November 2021

G'day everyone, I'm Llew. We have had another busy month at Kei-Sho, with the first- and second-years going on their study trips, as well as Kei-Sho's traditional Business Skills Tournament.

Study Trips:

For the first time in 2 years, Kei-Sho was able to hold study trips for the first- and second-year students. Because we could not hold the trips last year, this year they were bigger events than usual, with the first-years going on a flight around Mt Fuji and the second-years going to the Tomioka Silk Mill and Konjac Park.

First Years: Flying Classroom

The first-year students had an exciting study trip, with all students catching a flight around Mt Fuji. With an early start at Narita Airport, the students not only got to experience flying, with a good view of Mt Fuji, but they also received explanations about airplanes and the flying industry from the crew. A few lucky students also had the unique experience of using the plane's announcement system.

After the flight, everyone was provided with a lunch like what is served on flights. According to the students, it was delicious.

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The trip ended at around 2PM, meaning the students not only had a good experience, but also an early trip home. And from the sounds of it, many students needed the extra rest.



Second Years: Tomioka Silk Mill

The second-year study trip went in a different direction, with a trip to Tomioka Silk Mill. Starting with a meet-up at school, students took buses to Gunma where they spent the day exploring, learning and having a good time. In the morning, they went to Tomioka Silk Mill where they learnt about the history of silk production in Japan. Students were given a tour of the mill, which is a world heritage site, and were able to see the machines which made the first silk mill in Japan. After the tour of the silk mill, everyone went to a hotel for lunch and a break.

The day ended with a relaxing afternoon in Konjac Park, where students were free to look around and buy souvenirs. A nice chance to relax after a morning of learning.



Business Skills Tournament:

This month we also held our last big competition for the year. At the Business Skills competition, students competed in bookkeeping, calculating and logic.

Like last year, the competition was held in the student's classrooms to reduce the risk of Covid-19, but this didn't stop the students from having a great time. With a combination of individual and class competitions, it was possible for everyone to play a part.

Although every student tried their best and every class put up a good fight, 3C won the day with good results in every competition, including the individual ones. Second place was 3B who trailed just behind, and third place went to 2B. There was also a 1st year only competition which was won by 1C.

It was clear how much fun the students were having by the excitement and celebrations when they got a question correct, and it was encouraging to see the students working together and cheering each other on.

November was a month of big events, with study trips and competitions. It was a great time for students to have some fun before exams and the new year. Just watching them was fun. -Llew

