

Sakura no Seibo High School English Department Newsletter

First Year Students



I wanted to enter the English Department since I was in elementary school. So I'm really happy. But I was surprised when everything is in English! We also have many English classes a week. When I come home, I do my homework, review my lessons and prepare for the next day. Of course I study other subjects. So, I always go to bed at midnight. Studying hard will contribute to my future.

Akiko Sato 1-1

High school's English is very difficult but I enjoy my school life with my friends. Before I entered high school I had hopes and fears. "Will I be able to make friends with my classmates? Will I be able to keep up with my classmates?" But I don't have to worry because my classmates are all kind. I'm really happy to be in the English Department. I want to lead a full solid life during my high school!

Miho Sasakido 1-1

My class has a very good atmosphere. I have kind teachers, interesting and nice friends. My friends make me especially happy everyday. I love them! My class members will not

change so I want to get along well with everyone. English is very difficult, and we have much homework everyday. I sometimes forget my homework or books I need. I want to stop this bad habit. I don't know about my future yet, but I want to find my dream soon and work hard to get there.

Yuki Kim 1-1

When I entered high school my heart was full of uneasiness and expectations about entering the English Department. I still have this feeling. After all, the speed to advance in English is much faster than in junior high school and I have to learn so much new vocabulary each day. I worry about being able to follow the class. But little by little my power to understand the foreign teacher's native English is better. I really respect the English Department of this school.

Marina Minakawa 1-1

I was very surprised when I entered this English Department. There are many English lessons: listening, speaking, writing and classes using a computer. I understand why Seibo's English Department is wonderful. I'm going to study hard, and I want to be a great English speaker!

Hitomi Yasuda 1-1



English Department Graduates return as Student

"I want to talk with a lot of people from overseas!" This has been my goal since I was a child. I believe that being in the English Department enabled me to speak English when I visited Canada and England during university. I made lots of friends from all over the world and still keep in touch with them. English has a magical power, I think. If you continue to study hard, a new world will be waiting for you. Don't give up!! Good luck.

Hitomi Watanabe

Frankly speaking, I was not such a good student when I was in High School. I didn't study hard. But after I entered university I could see that the English I learned in the English Department in high school made studying English in university seem easy. I know that your English classes now are very difficult. But please do it. It will be very helpful for your future.

Moe Yomogita

During my university I spend one year in Pittsburg, U.S.A. I studied in regular classes at Chatham College and lived in a dorm with an American roommate. Surely, I had lots of troubles, but I got many wonderful memories, too. I learned that the experiences of having difficulties make people grow-up, and happy memories make people happy. Please remember that gaining experience makes your heart rich.

Aya Sato

Three years have passed since I graduated from Sakura no Seibo High School. I experienced a lot during my high school days. I was a member of the brass band club for 3 years. It was very hard for me to study in the English Department and belong to the club. But both study and club activities were very important to me, I did my best. I didn't miss the preparation of Progress everyday and I attended "zero koji". I could learn the importance of making efforts during these 3 years. I believe effort will be rewarded. I hope you can enjoy your school days and realize your dream.

Hisae Anzai

Do you like English? I like English very much! That's why I'm studying international relations and English in university now. Experience in the English Department was so special!! I found my dream then. Everyone, please think of your future freely. There are many opportunities for you in the English Department. You have many possibilities. Good Luck!!!

Megumi Fujita

All the Best, Minerva



Hello girls! At first I want to thank all the English Dept. students and teachers for their help during this year. I was glad to share this time with you. We had the chance

to get to know each other through the English language. I was surprised at how good your English was, so please don't give up and continue with your English learning and study because this school gives you a great opportunity to improve your English. Don't be shy to speak in English with foreigners it's a good challenge for you to practice English because in the future we will need English to get a better job. Good luck in everything you do in life! Be yourself, don't try to be someone you aren't. Thank you for everything and I hope see to you some other time.

Minerva Fernandez 3 - 1

Minerva is an exchange student from Mexico. She came to our class last August. She's always full of energy, friendly, and very fashionable. We often went home together talking about different things and sometimes we couldn't help laughing. She's also a good singer. I found this out when we went to karaoke. The "purikura" we took is now one of my treasures. I enjoyed spending time with her, and she probably enjoyed it too.

Ai Nagasawa 3 - 1

Minerva came to our class as an international student for a year. We call her "Mine chan". She was a cheerful girl who had a lovely smile. She taught us various things about Mexico. Moreover she was eager to study, so we taught her Japanese, and she mastered it. We also had lunch with her. She liked Japanese food and sometimes we gave her sweets. We had a happy time with her.

Junko Watanabe 3 - 1

Goings and Comings from Abroad

Going to Regiopolis - Notre Dame, Sakura no Seibo Sister School in Kingston, Ontario, Canada – Yuko Hanzawa 1-1

Returning from Regiopolis - Notre Dame, – Kanako Uesugi 3 - 1

Going to the United States to study for a year – Kana Moriyama 2 - 1

Returning to Mexico – Minerva Fernandez

Coming from Mexico to study at Sakura no Seibo – Andrea Diaz

I went to Australia last year on a class trip. At first we spoke very stiffly, but after a few days, my skill in speaking English improved little by little. This is a result of my spirit to "Never give Up!" I believe that this spirit will help me in Canada. I'm proud that I've studied in Sakura no Seibo. And I'm very happy to be able to study in Sister Marijke's old school. I want to study as a delegate of our school. I don't know what's going to happen in the future, but I want to test my strength. My ambition is to never give up! I will do my best and enjoy this year to the full.



I'll be back to Japan in a year. See you then.

Yuko Hanzawa 1 - 1

The purpose of my study trip abroad is to improve my English and to understand other countries. I decided to go because English is really important for me to understand the world. Also I want to study English in an English environment. I want to learn a lot of things and I want to tell people about Japan and Japanese culture, too. I want to lead a full life while I'm abroad.

Kana Moriyama 2 - 1

Okasai 2006 "Back to the '60s"



This year's English Department theme at the Okasai is "Back to the '60s". We will do a stage part and a display part. We're going to re-create the 60's by exhibits, dance, song, show and so on. We want to work well together with all the members of the English department from first year to third year. We're sure that many adults who were born or raised at that time will enjoy our event. And others can enjoy it by learning about the '60's, too. So please come and see our event!

Please keep these dates open! September 23 – 24, 2006

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