



Sakura no Seibo High School English Department Newsletter

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Welcome back, Misato!

3-1 student, Misato Suda has come back to Seibo after spending one year at our sister school in Canada.

My life in Canada was very awesome. The city I stayed in is called Kingston. It is the most historical city in Canada. I think Canada is a multinational state. People from various countries live in Canada. It is totally different from Japan. I wondered why no one had prejudice at first and why they had no common way of thinking. Each person has her own way of thinking and they try to understand different cultures.

These things excited me and made me be sociable, so I was able to make friends with people from many different countries. I enjoyed life in Canada. This experience is the greatest one in my life.



Another Aussie!

From April this year, Anna Parker from Australia has been an exchange student here at our school.

Ever since I began studying Japanese, I've been fascinated by the language, history, culture, and people. After meeting Seibo students at my school in Australia on a short home-stay program last year, I decided to go on an exchange to Sakura no Seibo High School.

Since coming to Japan four months ago, I have experienced so much! I've been very lucky to have had the most wonderful host families, to have gone to so many places, and to have such a wonderful school where everyone is kind to me.

I know I will find it extremely difficult to return home in early January of next year. However, I'm looking forward to many more wonderful experiences during my next six months.



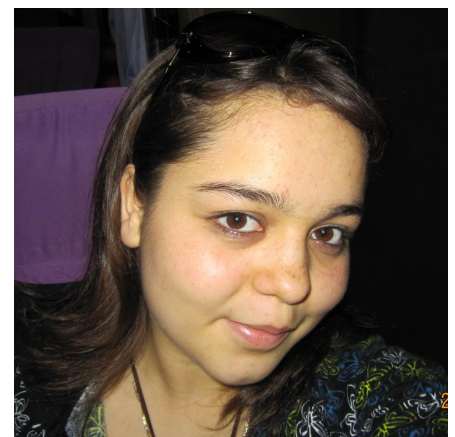
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Hello, everyone. As you all might know, I will be returning to Mexico soon. And I just wanted to tell you how grateful and happy I am for having come here to Japan and for being in this school. Everyone has taught and helped me in many ways. I don't know how to repay you for your kindness. I'm sure I wouldn't know the Japanese that I know now if it weren't for all your help. Thank you so much and I hope to return again someday. Thank you for everything! Gracias.

Stephanie Rodriguez Garcia



Fukushima Skit Contest

Two teams from the third year English Course have made it through to the finals of the Fukushima Prefecture Skit Contest. This continues on from last year when we won first place in Fukushima Prefecture. Two teams from Sakura no Seibo Junior High School have also made it through to the finals. Congratulations!

Who is the Real Con man?



Two young men try to trick each other and get scolded by an elementary school student. But who is the real con man?


Baniku Burger.



A customer at a restaurant tries a new burger called a "Baniku burger." It tastes good, but there is a surprise at the end.

Latest Results



	TOEIC (high) (Average)	英検			面接 合格
		準1	2級	準2	
3 rd Year (17)	700 (565)	0	53%	100%	100%
2 nd Year (19)			38%	100%	100%
1 st Year (25)			0%	44%	100%

2009 School Festival

This year, English Department students will be working separately in their classes for the school festival. Third year students will be presenting a cafe, second year students will have an international sweets stall and the first year students, an international themed room. This is a great chance to show those in the community the high level of the English Department here at Seibo.

Our New Students

In April, 25 new first year students entered our school. Here are some of their comments.

- I think the English Department is very interesting. (H.O.)
- I can often speak to native-speakers of English. Everyone is very friendly and really kind (N.K.)
- There is a good environment to learn English in this school. (Y.W.)
- My impression of the English Department is that it is like an English shower! I can improve my English. (M.T.)

Ready for Canada

2-1 students are currently preparing for their school trip to Canada (ESTA).

I am looking forward to visiting Canada. Canada is famous for maple syrup, so I want to eat it. And I want to see Niagara Falls. It is very beautiful and mystical. I think that I want to foster my English ability in Canada. (H.S.)