

**THE PRE-SCHOOL GROUP 2012 (Term 3)**

November 2011

Dear Parents,

This coming term we are very excited to offer another `Pre-School Group` to siblings of children already at MIS and any children who fulfill our school Qualification Requirements shown below. The children need to be between 2 years old and 3 years old (birthdays between April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 and April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009). This Pre-School Group will run twice a week, Wednesdays and Fridays starting from **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012.** This group will run for one hour each time from 2pm-3pm. Mr. Brickman and Ms Misaki, two of our current K1 Teachers, will be teaching this group each time.

◆Qualification Requirements 応募資格

The following requirements (in order of priority) will be used to ascertain which children can be admitted to the Pre-School. Please note that if your child does not fulfill the qualification requirements below, they are not eligible to apply to the Pre-school. 以下は、ご入学、ご編入の際に優先される基準です(優先度の高い順に記載されています)。本基準に該当しない場合には、応募資格がございませんのでご注意ください。

優先度 Priority	Qualification Requirements 応募資格
1	Non Japanese or dual nationality children (with some English ability) who have recently arrived in Japan OR Japanese returnee children who have recently returned, (and lived abroad for more than six months) within a year, to Japan. 外国籍もしくは二重国籍で(ある程度の英語力がある)、来日してあまり日が経過していない園児・児童。または日本人の帰国生で帰国してから経過している期間が1年以内である園児・児童(海外滞在期間が6カ月以上)。
2	Non Japanese children (with some English ability) or dual nationality children, currently living in Japan who wish to move to Makuhari International School, from another International school OR Japanese children who have returned to Japan more than one year ago (and lived abroad for more than six months) and have some English ability. (This last criterion will depend to a certain extent on how recently this was and how good a child's English understanding is and their ability to fit into Makuhari International School.) 外国籍(ある程度の英語力がある)もしくは二重国籍で、日本に在住しており、他のインターナショナルスクールから転入を希望している園児・児童。または日本人の帰国生(ある程度の英語力がある)で帰国してから1年以上経過している園児・児童(海外滞在期間が6カ月以上)。(後者の場合帰国後の経過年数と英語力が当校入学・編入の際の判断基準となる)
3	Non Japanese or dual nationality children who have never been in an International School environment. 外国籍あるいは二重国籍で、インターナショナルスクールに通った経験のない園児・児童。

※In all cases, it is the expectation that at least one of the child's parents will speak and understand English well enough to take part in their child's education fully.

お子様の教育に積極的に参加していただくために、少なくとも保護者のどなたかに英語を話し、理解していただく必要があります。

#### ◆How To Apply

In order to apply for the Pre-School group, please complete the Application Form attached and send it with a copy of the passport of your child (page with face photo) by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November. The school address is 3-2-9 Wakaba, Mihama-ku, Chiba-City, Chiba 261-0014 Japan (〒261-0014 千葉県千葉市美浜区若葉 3-2-9). Please mention on the envelope that the 'Pre-School group application is enclosed'.

The school will have a document screening and let you know the result after 28<sup>th</sup> November. Please note that joining this pre-school group does not guarantee that your child will automatically be accepted to MIS and they will need to go through the screening process in the Autumn.

#### ◆Class Size

Please be aware that the limit for the pre-school group is 20 children.

#### ◆The main aims of this group will be...

- To provide exciting and fun activities
- To allow the children to be comfortable within the school environment.
- To help support their English development.

#### ◆Some of the types of activities that the children will undertake in this group will be...

- Painting with different things such as; paintbrushes, shapes and sponges.
- Drawing with crayons, pencils and charcoals.
- Building with blocks, lego and shapes.
- Making objects with collage material, empty boxes, containers, play dough and paper bags.
- Playing inside with toys such as; dolls, blocks, cars and airplanes and playing outside with; bikes, balls and hoops.
- Singing and dancing to children`s music from around the world.

We have been running this program for some time and the positive benefits have been greatly noticed with all children, especially those who go on to enter K1 at MIS at the beginning of the academic year.

#### ◆Fees

There will be a charge for these Pre-School sessions. The charges are as follows:

- One term's fees – Term 1: (17 sessions available from May 11<sup>th</sup>) 17,000 yen
- One term's fees – Term 2: (26 sessions available) 26,000 yen
- **One term's fees – Term 3: (18 sessions available) 18,000yen**

◆Payment

Payment should be made after the invoice is issued. Please note that the school is unable to return the fees once they are paid to the school. If your child misses some pre-school lessons, the school is unable to return the fees. The school is not able to alter the scheduled pre-school days even if your child misses lessons under any condition.

We look forward to working with your child and yourselves.

Kind Regards,  
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