



Nanohana – MIS Newsletter

Edition 391 – October 2022

From Mr. Trent Citrano, Head of School



Starting with a brilliant Sports Day filled with loads of opportunities for teambuilding and competition, October has proven to be a month filled with fulfilling experiences for our school community. It was a joy to watch the students at all levels cheering on their teammates and working together to battle for their House Team's glory.

Congratulations to this year's Sports Day Champions!



Kindergarten - Nila
Lower Elementary - Sari
Upper Elementary - Sari



We were equally impressed with the students' talents at the Music Recitals that took place on October 7th. Students performed a wide variety of music on piano, cello, violin, ukulele, as well as dramatically and vocally. Thank you to all of the students who participated as well as their parents who support them in developing their artistic gifts.

This week's Book Week has been seen students connecting with reading in creative ways as part of this year's Book Week theme 'Dreaming with Eyes Open'. Beyond the plethora of activities and reading challenges that took place in classes throughout the week, students participated in 'Stop, Drop & Read', the library Book Fair and Scavenger Hunt, the Reading Teacher Swap, Buddy Reading with other grade levels, book donations for a rail line, and culminated in this morning's Book Parade!

Don't forget to sign up for the upcoming MIS Terry Fox Run by submitting the Reply Slip at the back of this edition of Nanohana by Tuesday, November 1st.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 02 November

G3&4 Swimming - 1pm

Thursday 03 November

Culture Day - No School

Saturday 05 November

MIS Terry Fox Run 10am

Mon-Thur 07-10 November

CIS Re-Accreditation Visit

Friday 11 November

Grade 4 Science Sleepover

Tuesday 15 November

PTA Board Mtg - 12:15pm

Wed-Fri 16-19 November

New Applicant
Admissions Screening

Wednesday 23 November

Labour Day- No School

Friday 25 November

Movie & Popcorn Day

Mon 28 November

G3&4 Swimming - 1pm

Wed 30 November

G3&4 Swimming - 1pm

Please join us for the

MIS Terry Fox Run

Saturday, 05 November 10am-Noon

Where: MIS Field and Playground

What/Why: Family fun walking/running to raise money to support cancer research

How: Sign up using the information that will go home next week
Ask friends/family for pledges to raise money

Turn in your Reply Slip by November 1st.

See you on November 5th!

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From Mr. Anthony Hall, Deputy Head of School



Greetings from MIS. In this month's edition of Nanohana, I would like to highlight some of the excellent contributions that the Student Council have made to school life recently and share updates about our recent charity efforts.

So far this term, the Student Council have been firing on all cylinders and have really enjoyed their role as leaders in the school. They have been helping out with the organisation of our spirit days, commentating on the events and the selling of drinks at the MIS Sports Day, arranging a fun scavenger hunt for Halloween, and helping out with the collection of the donations made for the Sri Lanka appeal. We really value the Student Councilors' efforts as the act as great role models for their peers.

The Student Council would like me to pass on their thanks to you for making the Sri Lanka charity appeal such a big success. On Thursday last week, a representative from the Japan Early Buddhism Association came to school to pick up the many boxes of assorted resources that had been generously donated by so many of you. Ms Indunil (who first suggested that we support the charity effort) would like to share these words of thanks:

I am happy to inform you that our contributions were collected yesterday. The monks from the temple are planning to send them to a remote village in the north central province in Sri Lanka to be distributed amongst school children experiencing hardships. With the new school year starting in January, I'm sure children will be delighted to receive stationery and other items from Japan and will have a positive outlook for the new school year. I will share more information, possibly pictures, once I get them from the organisers. Thanks again, everyone.



In these challenging times, the importance of charity has never been greater. MIS will continue to do what it can to help out good causes such as the Sri Lanka appeal, the Terry Fox Run and the Red Feather Campaign to help bring about hope for a brighter future for the many people that these charities support. Thank you all for your generosity.

Finally, I would like to give thanks to the generosity of the Daijionji temple in Narita for hosting the whole of Kindergarten last Friday for the sweet potato picking event. The children had a wonderful time in the mud, digging out the sweet potatoes and discovering all kinds of insects, reptiles and amphibians as they harvested. The farmers estimated that we had collected one tonne of potatoes, which we were allowed to take free of charge and share within our community. How fortunate we are to have such caring neighbours.

Student Council Leading with Service Locally & Globally!



HOUSE POINT TOTALS INCLUDING SPORTS DAY TOTALS



SALE

School Photo Sale

Sports Day & Music Recital photos are being sold until Nov 25, 2022. and Open Day photos until Nov 4, 2022

Order at: <http://snapsnap.jp/>
Passcodes were sent home previously.

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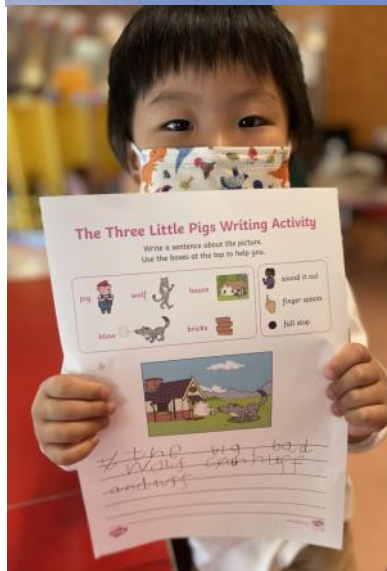
Kindergarten News



K1:
Celebrating
the 100th
Day of School
& Missing
Numbers from
1-10!



K2:
Celebrating
the 100th
Day of School
& Writing
their First
Sentences!



K3:
K2:
Celebrating
the 100th
Day of School
with a Party
During Maths
Time!



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Grade 1 Design Community Worker Outfits!

This half term the students in Grade 1 have been looking at community helpers. To finish off their unit they worked in small groups and created a face in the hole board for a community worker. They designed a new work outfit for these workers.



Grade 2 Students Take Flight!

In G2, the students have been studying community helpers in PSNS. They were lucky to have some special guest visitors to talk about their careers as a pilot and flight attendant. The students learnt about what happens before, after and during a flight, and were able to take part in a flight simulation! Thank you for the informative presentation Ms. Smith, Mr. Morita and Ms. Date!



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Grade 3 Asks, "Is Anybody There?"

For part of their learning on the topic of sound, Grade 3 had a great time exploring and investigating how sound travels. They created a string telephone and tested it in different areas of the school. After that, they thought about how they could improve their design to make an even better string telephone. They had so much fun with their learning!



Grade 4 Create Modern & Ancient Containers!

In Art, students in Grade 4 have been learning about containers. They have been looking at the similarities and differences between containers from both modern and ancient cultures around the world. They used clay to shape their containers. After a week of drying time, they painted and glazed the surface of their containers with glue. G4 parents will be able to see the results on Seesaw!





Grade 5 Present their Amazing Emergency Bags!

This week Grade 5 presented their emergency bag projects to each other. There were some excellent presentations and fantastic ideas on what we need in case of an emergency evacuation. Not only did the children have to design the bags, they also had to research and find the best price of each item and calculate the total cost needed to produce the bag. After the presentations, the children then voted for who they thought produced the best presentation and bag from each class. The two winners will now present their ideas to Mr Citrano and Mr Hall, with the overall winner's bag being created and implemented in to all classes in school.



Grade 6 Cook Up a Storm (actually curry rice)!

This week the G6Y students prepared delicious curry rice, an absolute favorite dish for everyone! After going shopping at AEON, each of the 3 groups had to wash, cut up, and cook the carrots, potatoes, and onions to mix with the curry roux. The students prepared the rice earlier in the morning so everything would be finished at the same time. Another terrific team effort. Well done G6Y!





Grade 5 Experience First Japanese Debate

The students in Grade 5 had their first debate in Kokugo. G5 have learned that there is a difference between an argument and a debate. Everyone was so well prepared and participated in a respectful manner. Well done!



Upcoming Student Council Sponsored Spirit Days

Friday, November 25

Non-Uniform, Movie and Popcorn Day

On this spirit day, students can wear non-uniform and, in the afternoon, enjoy a movie and popcorn with their classmates. If you would prefer for your child to not have popcorn, please send a message to their teacher on Seesaw.

Friday, December 16

Non-Uniform, Crafts and Play Day

On this spirit day, children get to wear non-uniform all day and have fun by bringing in a toy, game, or craft from home to play with during the afternoon. The class teachers will provide the children with more guidance about what they are allowed to bring in.

Students donate 100yen to the Red Feather Campaign to participate.

Grade 2 Brothers Excel with their Piano Performance!

Congratulations to Grade 2 Ota and Kanata Ueki who won the Silver Prize for their piano duet at the elementary level of the All Japan Piano Teachers Association Competition recently. Truly talented twins!





Great Teambuilding at Sports Day!



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Students' Highlight their Creative Talents at the Music Recitals!



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The Kindergarten Students Loved Sweet Potato Picking!



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Amazing Book Parade Characters!



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MIS PTA

06 October 2022

MIS Walkathon – Terry Fox Run 2022

Dear MIS Community,

MIS will be holding a Walkathon, the Terry Fox Run, again this year. This event is an opportunity to walk or run around our school field in order to raise money for an international cancer research fund. Details for the event:

Date: Saturday 05 November 2022 (Rain Make-Up Date: Sunday 06 November 2022)

Running Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm (latest start 11:30)

Registration: 09:30-11:00

Venue: MIS School Field & Playground

Who: MIS Parents, Students and Families

What to Bring: House T-shirt, Water Bottle

Who was Terry Fox? You can find out more about his inspiring story at <https://terryfox.org/> or just enter 'Terry Fox' into a YouTube search.

How to Donate? Our aim is for the children (and yourselves) to complete as many laps as they can around our school field and playground to raise money by collecting sponsors before the day. For example, family or friends may pledge ¥500 per lap and the child completes 10 laps, thus earning ¥5,000 for the charity. The amount pledged is optional – bear in mind that a single lap takes 5 minutes for an adult walking, so 8 minutes depending on the age of the child. Some may wish to run! You may wish to keep it simple by saying, "I will pledge ¥5,000 regardless of the number of laps!"

After the event, please **bring in donation money to Mr. Citrano in an envelope with the amount enclosed and your child's name and class on it, by Friday 18 November.**

The MIS PTA will organize lap-counting and completion certificates on the day. If it is raining on the day, please check the MIS website in the morning to see if the event is going ahead. In case of cancellation, the rain make-up day will be the following day, Sunday, 06 November.

Please note that parents will be responsible for transport to and from the event. There will be no car parking available at the school. Parents are encouraged to use local parking and walk to the school. Please be advised that parents are not allowed to park at Chiba Shi Makuhari Shimin Plaza across the street. All children should wear their House T-shirts, bring a water bottle, and will need to be accompanied by an adult. It promises to be a fun day and a great chance to show that we can contribute to a very worthy cause. This is all part of the MIS drive to develop responsible global citizens.

If you would like to take part, **please send the reply slip to Mr. Citrano by 01 November 2022** so that we can make the necessary arrangements. We look forward to seeing you.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Yours sincerely,
The MIS PTA

Reply Slip

I would like my son/daughter to attend the MIS Terry Fox Run for Charity. I understand that transport will not be provided by the school. I understand that all children will need to be accompanied by an adult.

Name(s) of Child(ren) / class _____ / _____

_____ / _____

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Family _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Telephone No. / Mobile No.: _____

Return to Mr. Citrano by 01 November 2022

MIS PTA

2022 年 10 月 6 日

2022 MIS ウォーカソン (ウォーキング+マラソン) テリー・フォックス・ランのお知らせ

保護者の皆様

ウォーカソン (テリー・フォックス・ラン) を今年も開催いたします。このイベントはウォーキングとマラソンを合わせた、がん研究資金のための募金活動です。イベントの詳細は下記の通りです。

記

日 付:	2022 年 11 月 5 日 (土) (雨天による予備日: 2022 年 11 月 6 日 (日))
時 間:	午前 10:00～午後 12:00 (最終スタート 11:30)
受 付:	午前 09:30～午前 11:00
会 場:	MIS 校庭・園庭
参加者:	MIS 園児・児童、保護者、ご家族の皆様
持ち物:	ハウス T シャツ、水筒

テリー・フォックス氏について テリー・フォックス氏については <https://terryfox.org/> をご覧ください。または YouTube で「テリー・フォックス」とご検索ください。

寄付方法 参加者はイベント当日までにスポンサーを募ります (ご自身がスポンサーになることも可能です)。スポンサーの方は、園児・児童 (或いは参加者) が校庭・園庭を周回した回数に応じて寄付金を募って頂きます。例えば、スポンサーが 1 周 500 円と設定し、園児・児童が 10 週した場合は、5,000 円寄付して頂くことになります。寄付金額は任意です。徒歩で 1 周する場合、大人は約 5 分、子どもは年齢にもよりますが、約 8 分要することをご留意ください。もちろん、マラソンで参加されることも大歓迎です! 「周回数に関わらず 5,000 円を寄付します。」というような寄付も可能です。
イベント後、**寄付金を封筒に入れてお子様の氏名、クラス、寄付金額を記載し、11 月 18 日 (金) までにシトラノ校長にご提出ください。**

MIS-PTA はイベント当日、周回数の確認と完走証明書を用意致します。雨天の場合は、当日の朝 MIS ウェブサイトにてイベント開催状況をご確認ください。順延の場合は、翌日 11 月 6 日 (日) 開催予定です。

園児・児童の送迎は保護者の皆様でお願い致します。MIS には駐車場がございませんので、近隣の公共駐車場をご利用下さい。道路を挟んだお向かい側の幕張勤労市民プラザへの駐車はご遠慮ください。
園児・児童はハウス T シャツを着用し水筒を持参の上、必ず保護者同伴でご参加下さい。
皆様にとって楽しい一日となることをお約束いたします。意義ある慈善活動に参加することができる素晴らしい機会であり、MIS が促進するグローバル市民育成の一環となるイベントです。

参加ご希望の方は、2022 年 11 月 1 日 (火) までに返信用フォームをシトラノ校長までご提出下さい。
皆様のご参加お待ちしております。

The MIS PTA

返信用フォーム

MIS チャリティーラン（テリー・フォックス・ラン）への子供の参加を希望します。
学校による送迎は行われず、保護者同伴で参加することを了承しました。

お子様の氏名・クラス _____ / _____

_____ / _____

保護者名・参加されるご家族名 _____

保護者署名： _____

電話番号・携帯番号： _____

2022 年 11 月 1 日（火）までにシトラノ校長へご提出ください。



Please support me at the MIS PTA Walkathon by making a pledge – together we can beat cancer!

Student Name _____ Class _____

Name	Amount Pledged (₹)	Amount Received(₹)
	Total	

- You can pledge so much per lap, or a total regardless of laps. Eg. If you pledge ₹1,000 per lap completed, then if the student completes 5 laps, you need to donate ₹5,000. Or you can pledge ₹5,000 for any total number of laps completed.
- Or, if you can't make it on Saturday, you can simply make a donation.

Please return money to your class teacher with your **Name/Class** and **amount of money** marked clearly on a sealed envelope.

Thank you, and good luck!

Please return this form with the donation money to Mr. Citrano by 17 November.