



Nanohana – MIS Newsletter

Edition 408 – April 26, 2024

From Mr. Trent Citrano, Head of School



We have a very successful first weeks of school with welcoming many new families at our Opening Ceremonies, the beginning of clubs, and several special activities: including Meet the Teachers Evenings, the raising of the MIS Koinobori, Music Recitals, Sakura Medal Book Bowl, and Student Council Elections. We hope you will enjoy the photos of these events and more throughout this edition of Nanohana.

We are extremely excited for the upcoming MIS Bazaar! It will feature fun games, delicious food, fabulous performers, plentiful vendors, and much more! For games and the Bouncy Castle, students will use the 100yen Green Games Tickets which can be purchased on the day at the entrance. For food and vendors, please pay with cash. If you haven't yet purchased your Raffle Tickets, please make sure you do for 100yen each. We have a load of great prizes including an iPad, Nintendo Switch with special edition Zelda game, loads of gift certificates for restaurants, books, and many other prizes! If you need more raffle tickets, please get them from the school office!

The Chiba Nishi Police Department have asked us to pass on that parking in front of the school and not staying in your vehicle is illegal so please do not do this at dismissal. At the very least, do not arrive earlier than 3:15pm so as to minimize the time that the cars are blocking the traffic lane. As the police have received numerous complaints from the public, your assistance is much appreciated.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 07 May

Change to Summer Uniform
PTA Board Mtg - 12:15pm

08, 15, 22, 29 May

G5&6 Swimming - 1pm

Friday 10 May

G4 Jpn Assembly - 1pm

Friday 17 May

G2G Assembly - 1pm

Saturday 18 May

MIS Bazaar - 10am-2pm

Monday 20 May

School Holiday

Thursday 23 May

Board Meetings

Friday 24 May

G3Y Assembly - 1pm
New Nanohana Published

Tuesday 28 May

PTA Gen Memb Mtg 12:15pm

Friday 31 May

G4G Assembly - 1pm

MIS BAZAAR
STALL
TICKETS
100 YEN
= 1 TICKET
TICKETS GO ON SALE
FROM 13/05/24



MAKUHARI
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Bazaar

Saturday 18 May 2024
10:00am – 2:00pm



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From Mr. Anthony Hall, Deputy Head of School



Greetings from MIS. The first term is well under way and the new school year has been a very successful one to date. We have voted in a new student council and it is my pleasure to reveal the new student councilors with you (see the picture below). The group are very excited to represent their class and help to make MIS a better place to learn for all.

The Term One clubs are going strong and with over 475 club members in attendance each week, the extra-curricular programme at MIS has never been better. It is so pleasing to see enthusiasm for our clubs at an all time high. At the end of every day, you can see the children happily going off from their class to enjoy the wide variety of extra-curricular activities on offer. Please note, the clubs will end on June 28th.

The MIS Bazaar is only a few weeks away. We cannot wait to welcome families and members of the local community to the exciting event. The day promises to be a celebration of life with fun stalls, awesome performances and delicious food on offer. We hope you can join us. Tickets for the class stalls will go on sale from the 13th of May. I will sell them at dismissal time from 3:20 until 3:35. The tickets are 100 Yen each and can be used to play the stall games, purchase goods from the flea market or gain entry to the petting zoo. There are no refunds for unused tickets, so please use them all up on the day of the bazaar. Let's have a great time together.



Thank you, parents, for attending our Meet the Teachers Evenings!



HOUSE POINT TOTALS NILA START THE YEAR ON TOP!



SALE

School Photo Sale
Awards Ceremony, Graduation Ceremony & Opening Ceremony photos are being sold until May 31, 2024.

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

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Kindergarten News



K1:
Exploring
What Hands
are For:
Playing,
Drawing,
Helping, and
Saying Hello!



K2:
Reading
'Going on a
Bear Hunt'
and Having a
Reading
Party with
their own
Teddy Bears!
They Even
Made their
own
Binoculars!



K3:
Experimenting
with Vinegar
and Baking
Soda
Then
Looking at
Different
Kinds of
Houses All
Around the
World!



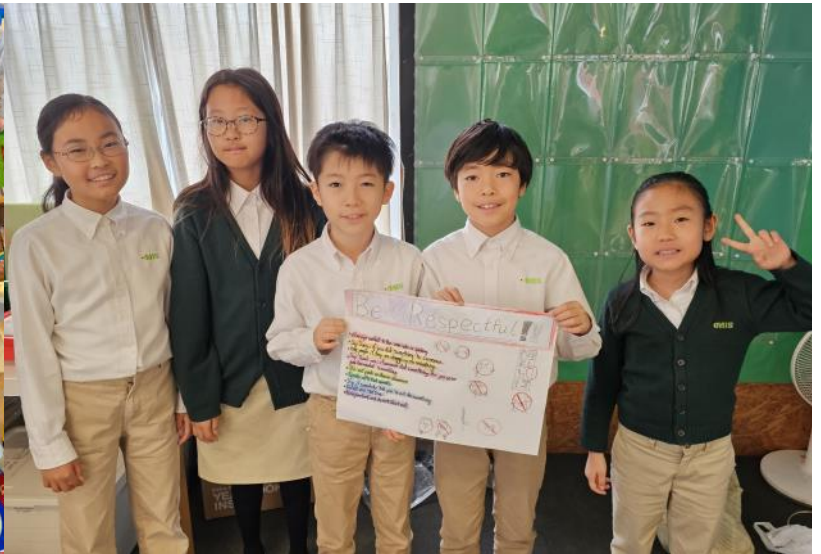
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First Days of School!



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Grade 1 Roll, Move and Balance!

In PE this term, G1's focus is movement using different body actions and parts. In their gymnastic lessons they have been focusing on different rolls and starting to do movements in which they need to use control and balance.



Grade 2 Gardeners Tend the MIS Eco-Farm!

This week, G2 began work on the school garden. First, they dug over the soil and removed all the weeds. Then, they planted sunflower, lavender, cosmos and morning glory seeds along with tomato, pepper, aubergine, passionfruit, marigold and strawberry plants.



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Grade 3 Explore and Map our School

For Social Studies, Grade 3 have been learning how to navigate and understand map symbols. They went on a tour of the school and created their own maps of MIS with keys.



Grade 4 Go Back in Time

In G4, students have been learning about life in the past. They travelled back to a Victorian England classroom. It was very strange to write using chalk and to only 'speak when spoken to'. The children had three lessons during their time in the past; drill, arithmetic and dictation. The teachers were very strict but the experience was a valuable one and children have a better understanding of the difference between life then and now.



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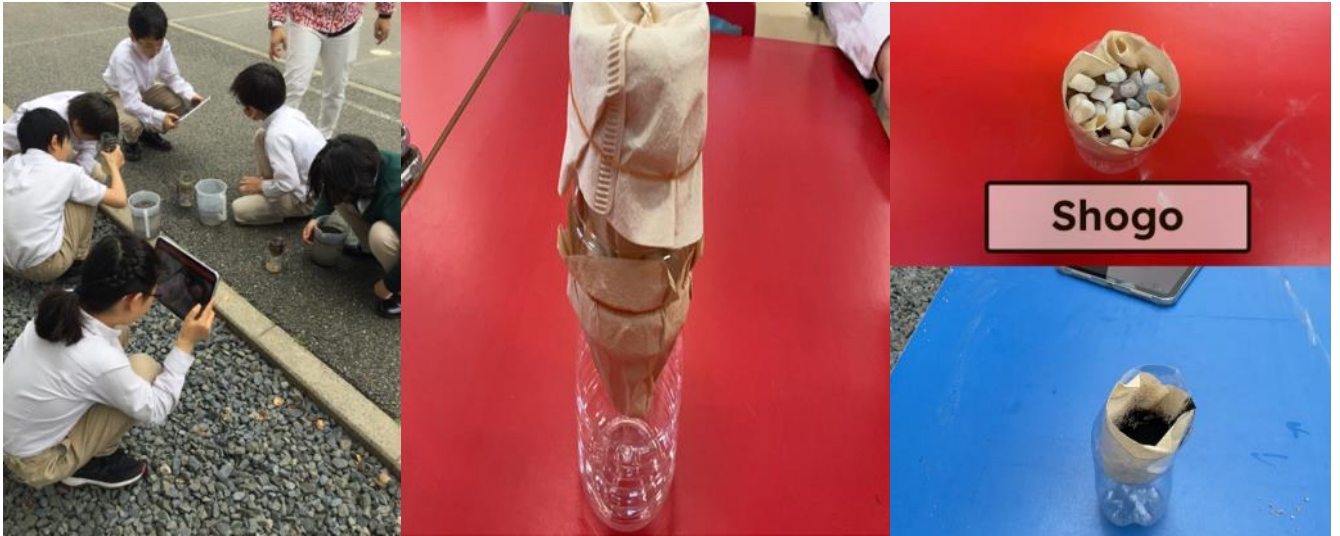
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Grade 5 Create Water Filters

Students in G5 have been learning about how ground water and surface water can become polluted due to different pollutants in the world. In Science class, we created our own water filters using the scientific method. Students learned through this experiment how difficult it is to create clean drinking water.



Grade 6 Scientists Explore Combustion

In science lessons over the past few weeks, G6Y students have been learning about combustion and some of the chemical reactions caused when something burns. In their lesson this week, the students tested for an increase in the level of CO₂ gas after a candle is extinguished. Students used 'limewater' or Calcium Hydroxide solution which turned milky white to show the presence of a high level of CO₂. An interesting experiment conducted responsibly and safely by all. Well done!



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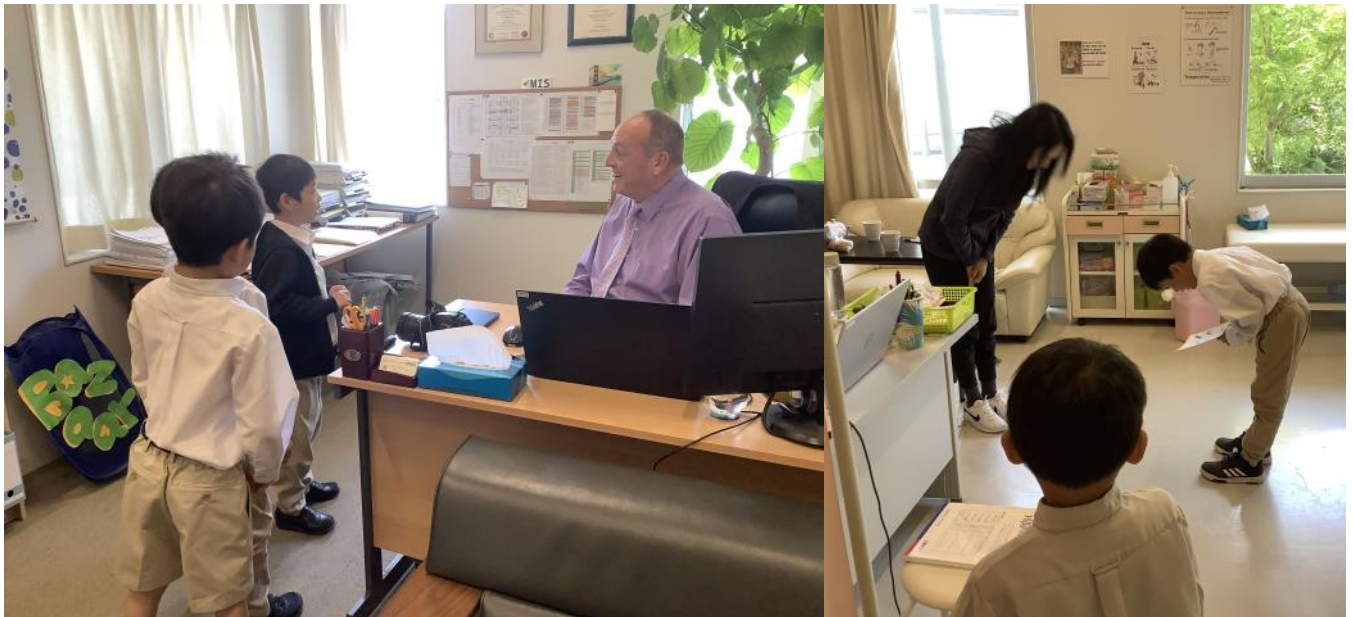
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Grade 1 Students Introduce Themselves in Japanese

G1 students went to office building to introducing themselves to Mr. Citrano, Mr. Hamamoto, Mr. Suzuki and Ms. Takano. G1 made their own name card to show and told them what they like. Welcome G1 to MIS, let's have a great time here!



Congratulations, MIS Sakura Medal Book Bowl Team & Captain Mr. Hall!



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