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Seika's English Language Newsletter

When: Monday, May 21 from 9:25AM-12:50PM

TOUR OF JAPAN KYOTO STAGE

This year, Seika Town will be part of the national bike race Tour of Japan for the Kyoto Stage again. If you have time, come out and show your support for the racers.

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- Admiring the Fireflies in Suikeien 5/18 - 6/10

Where: Finish line is at Panasonic building near Keihanna Plaza

Note about public transportation: From about 9:40AM to 1PM, buses that run through town will not be running on the race course or in some surrounding areas.

Nara Kotsu Buses that run eastward along Seika Odori Road toward Shinhosono Station will <u>not</u> be stopping at Hikaridai 4-chome, Hikaridai 3-chome, and Keihanna Plaza. Instead, please use the Hikaridai 7chome or ATR bus stops. Nara Kotsu Buses that run westward away from Shinhosono Station will still stop at these stations however.

Nara Kotsu Buses running toward Hosono Station that stop at Keihanna Plaza will stop at ATR instead.

The Seika Kururin Bus will **<u>not</u>** be stopping at Kashinokien, Higashibata, or at Higashibata-guchi.

Depending on road conditions on the day of the race, there might also be delays across all bus lines that run through Seika Town. We ask for your cooperation and understanding.

There will also be stores selling food, drinks, sweets, and bicycle parts and more at the front of Keihanna Plaza in the area around the sundial.

MY NUMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

My Number Weekend Reception Window

On the fourth Sunday of every month (this month is May 27) from 9AM-12PM and 1PM-4:45PM, there will be a holiday reception counter for My Number Card applications at the My Number Card special reception counter on the second floor of Seika Town Hall. This is only for those



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who have received the My Number notification card. A reservation is required and must be made when Seika Town Hall is open.

NOTE: The schedule may change due to maintenance or other circumstances.

Convenience Store Certificate Distribution Service Expansion

Aeon Retail and Heiwado are now starting to provide the same convenience store certificate distribution service. To use the service, you will first need to apply for your My Number Card by mail, smart phone/tablet, computer, or at one of the picture taking booths.

- 1) For mail applications, attach a photo to the application form sent with the My Number Notification Card and send it in to J-LIS in the envelope included with the Notification Card.
- 2) For smart phone/tablet applications, take a profile photo and then apply via QR code.
- 3) For applications online, take your profile photo with a digital camera and enter your 23-digit application ID on the My Number website to apply.
- 4) For photo booths in town, if the machine has a QR code function, you can apply directly from the machine

Once you've applied, you will receive a postcard about one month after your application was submitted, which means you can come pick up your card from Seika Town Office (**reservation required**). For this, you will need your Notification Card, the postcard for picking up the card, and a government-issued ID with a photo (driver's license, passport) or two of the following: health insurance card, pension booklet, recipient of medical fee subsidy card).

Contact: General Services Counter TEL: 0774-95-1915 E-mail: madoguchi@town.seika.lg.jp

ENGLISH CAFE

<u>When</u>: May 13 (Sun), 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
<u>Where</u>: Mukunoki Center Classroom, 3rd Floor
<u>Details</u>: Watch an English presentation, freely speak in English, listen to music, sing songs and enjoy meeting other people. Foreign participants are welcome!
<u>Cost</u>: 500 Yen (Bring your own drink and snacks)
<u>X</u>No reservation required, just show up
<u>Contact Info</u>: Seika Global Network Representative Wakita TEL: 090-2191-9864

QUICK LIST

Hello and welcome to the Quick List! Each week we will present a short list of vocabulary that you can quickly put to use in daily life.

This Week's Theme: Cooking and the Kitchen

Please send me feedback! Is this list at a good level? Too hard? Too easy? Also, if you have topic suggestions please tell me what you want to learn! 器 ー うつわ ー bowl, container
 道具 ー どうぐ ー utensil
 炊飯器 ー すいはんき ー rice cooker
 香辛料 ー こうしんりょう ー condiments
 弱火 ー よわび ー low heat
 強火 ー つよび ー high heat
 煮る ー にる ー to boil, to simmer
 炒める ー いためる ー to stir fry
 焼く ー やく ー to grill, to bake
 高 ー くさる ー to go bad





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THIS MONTH'S EVENTS

Day	Time	Details	Place
May 12 (Sat) -	0.00 40.00	Flea Market in Keihanna Commemorative	Keihanna Commemorative Park,
May 13 (Sun)	9:30 - 16:00	Park	Grassy Field
May 18 - June 10	10.00 01.00	Administration in Culturian	Keihanna Commemorative Park,
(Friday—Monday)	19:00 - 21:30	Admiring the Fireflies in Suikeien	Suikeien

Mukunoki Center			
Day	Time	Details	
5/9 (Wed)	15:00 - 17:00	Table Tennis Day	
5/16 (Wed)	15:00 - 17:00	00 Table Tennis Day	
5/23 (Wed)	-	Closed	
5/27 (Sun)	9:00 - 12:00	Smile Sports Arena	
5/30 (Wed)	15:00 - 17:00	Table Tennis Day	
6/6 (Wed)	15:00 - 17:00	Table Tennis Day	

Health Center			
Day	Time	Details	
5/10 (Thurs)	13:00 -	3.5 Yr-Old Health Checkup	
5/15 (Tue)	13:00 -	9 ~ 10 Month-Old Health Checkup	
5/17 (Thurs)	13:00 -	3 ~ 4 Month-Old Health Checkup	
5/18 (Fri)	13:00 -	1.5 Yr-Old Health Checkup	
5/21 (Mon)	13:00 -	2 Yr-Old Dental Checkup	

EVENTS

Flea Market in Keihanna Commemorative Park

When: May 12 (Sat) - May 13 (Sun) from 9:30AM to 4PM (cancelled in the event of a severe weather warning) Where: Keihanna Commemorative Park, Grassy Field Details: This is a mini-flea market in Keihhan Commemorative Park. Antiques, sundries, and more will be for sale. Contact: Pocket Marche Committee; TEL) 080-5364-2345

Admiring the Fireflies in Suikeien

When: Every Friday through Monday during May 18th (Fri) to June 10th (Sun), 7PM to 9:30 PM (Reception is until 9PM)

Where: Keihanna Commemorative Park, Suikeien Admission: General Admission 400 Yen, Elementary and Middle School Students 200 Yen (Preschoolers are free) Details: Come out and enjoy the flickering lights of the fireflies as they flutter around the park.

KEIHANNA MINI-CONCERT

In The Atrium Lobby

Date: ① May 9 (Wed) 2 May 23 (Wed) Time: 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM Songs: ① Chopin, "Ballad No.1, Op.23 in G minor;" Dutilleux, "Piano Sonata, Mvmt. 3: Choral and Variations" (Piano by Rie Onoe) ② Beethoven, "Spring Sonata" (Violin by Mina Yamasaki and Piano by Yoko Matsui) Contact: Keihanna Plaza Puchi Concert Committee TEL: 0774-95-3361 WEBSITE: https://www.keihannaplaza.co.jp/event/concert/

SÖRAKU EMERGENCY MEDICAL CLINIC SCHEDULE

SEIK	A T	OWN	OFFICE	
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Date	Specialty	Date	Specialty
May 6th (Sun)	IM	June 3rd (Sun)	IM·PD
May 13th (Sun)	IM	June 10th (Sun)	IM·PD
May 20th (Sun)	IM·PD	June 17th (Sun)	IM
May 27th (Sun)	IM·PD	June 24th (Sun)	IM·PD

Please call in advance to confirm.

QUESTIONS: Sōraku Emergency Medical Clinic (Sōraku Hall)

相楽休日応急診療所(相楽会館内)TEL: 0774-73-9988

What to do if...

You have a question about something in Ichigo:

Call Allejah Franco, Coordinator for International Relations at the Seika Town Office. You may also call if you need an interpreter, as most of the events and classes in Ichigo will be in Japanese.

You have a problem with life in Japan:

If you have any questions or problems concerning life in Japan not related to an article in Ichigo, please contact Allejah Franco, Coordinator for International Relations at the Seika Town Office.

TEL: 0774-95-1900 FAX: 0774-95-3971 E-mail: cir@town.seika.lg.jp or kikaku@town.seika.lg.jp (Planning and Coordinating Division)

You have an issue with your visa or other questions:

The Kyōto City International Foundation (located at 2-1 Toriichō Awataguchi, Sakyō-ku, Kyōto-shi), offers advice and consultation on visa issues and general problems. **Visa consultations are available on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month (appointment required). Consultations can be done in English, Chinese, Korean, and Spanish.** General counseling is available Tuesday to Sunday from 9:00 to 21:00.

TEL: 075-752-3511 Homepage: http://www.kcif.or.jp/en



ONLINE INFO



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Koi Streamer

Koi streamers like the one above are a typical decoration for Kodomo no Hi (Children's Day), which occurs on May 5. You may see some around town hanging in yards or from the balconies of apartment buildings as has been done recently.