



# Asahijuku Elementary School (AJES)

## English Department Newsletter

### Japan Australia English Exchange Program

Every year during summer vacation the 5th- grade students have the opportunity to travel to Australia. This year our students visited St Rita's Catholic Primary School in Victoria, Australia. The students had a home stay with Australian families and toured important cities and sites around the country. The trip helps build self- confidence for learning and communicating in English, which will assist in their future studies. We hope all our students had a good time in Australia this year. Welcome back to the second semester at Asahijuku.

### English Department News

**American Summer Camp 2017** This year for the first time our students participated at the American Summer English Camp 2017. Most of the participants had a good time playing games, singing songs, and preparing English speeches with native English speakers from America. We hope they had a good time meeting new Japanese and foreign friends.

**Summer Vacation 2017** Welcome back to all our students to the second semester. We hope you were very busy during the summer vacation traveling abroad or in Japan, doing summer home work and participating in local summer festivities in your communities.

**Second Semester English Activities** This semester we have many activities and events scheduled by our English department. We wish the best to our students who will participate in the speech contests around Okayama. We would like to thank all the teachers and students for their help and support during the Happy English Day on Thursdays. Good luck writing letters in English to your pen friends and do your best taking the EIKEN Test this semester.

Grades one to six will celebrate Halloween and Christmas parties this year. We will sing songs, play games, read books, make Halloween costumes, and do trick-or-treating in English during the party. Let's have fun together studying English.

### Second Semester Study Subjects

#### ☆First Grade

**September** Family  
**October** Halloween  
**November** Body Parts  
**December** Christmas

#### ☆Second Grade

**September** Insects  
**October** Halloween  
**November** Sports One  
**December** Christmas and Toys

#### ☆Third Grade

**September** Snack Food and Drinks  
**October** Halloween  
**November** Sports Two  
**December** Christmas and Toys

#### ☆Fourth Grade

**September** Time Zones  
**October** Halloween  
**November** Describing Animals  
**December** Christmas

#### ☆Fifth Grade

**September** Furniture  
**October** Halloween  
**November** This/that/these/those  
**December** Christmas

#### ☆Sixth Grade

**September** Habitat  
**October** Halloween  
**November** Countries and Cities  
**December** Christmas

#### Upcoming Events

**October 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>** EIKEN Test.  
**November 4<sup>th</sup>**, English Speech Contest at Notre Dame Junior and Senior High School  
**October 19<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>**, Halloween Party All Grades.  
**December 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>**, Christmas Party All Grades.

