

# Asahi Juku Elementary School (AJES) English Department Newsletter

# Welcome to First Grade 2017!

We would like to make a special welcome to all the new first graders to our school. We have prepared an exciting English program for our students. You are going to learn English through the use of English textbooks and many other English activities prepared by the English department. Students will have opportunities to learn English one-on-one, in pairs, small groups, and as a whole class. Welcome and let's enjoy learning English together.

# New English Events and Activities

Happy English Day Once a week on Thursday's teachers and students will use English for opening and closing greetings before starting and finishing classes with every subject.

**☆Yummy Yummy Lunch** Lunch broadcasting on the school radio will be made by students in English

☆Foreign Teachers Eating Lunch with Students Native English teachers will rotate and eat lunch with students in their classrooms. Let's talk about food in English

**☆Home Page English Blog** On this blog we will write events and activities happening around the English Department.

## **English News**

Welcome back to all our students for the new school year 2017. We would like to say goodbye to all the teachers who finished working in our school and welcome the new teachers. Like every year we have made many changes to our English curriculum to make our English program more attractive to our students. From April of this year, students will continue learning how to write, read, listen and speak basic English through the use of our new English textbooks, flash cards, computers and projectors, by singing English songs and by playing fun games. We would like to invite all our students to participate at the English speech contests happening around Okayama Prefecture. You are all invited to try the EIKEN test. We will continue with our global pen friends program. Visit our English room for more information.

## First Semester Study Subjects ☆First Grade

April: Feelings May : Classroom Commands June : School Stationery 1 July : Family ☆Second Grade

April : Months and Days of the Week May : Weather and Seasons June : School Stationery 2 July : Insects

#### **☆Third Grade**

**April :** Musical Instruments **May :** Countries

June : Clothes and Colors

July: Snack Food and Drinks

#### **☆Fourth** Grade

**April :** Commands/Grammar **May :** Plurals

June : Daily Schedule

July : Time Zones

☆Fifth Grade

April : The Market

May : Travel English Part 2 June : Family Introduction

July : Plurals

## $\Rightarrow$ Sixth Grade

April : Verbs Part 1 May : Verbs part 2 June : Countries and Cities July: My Best Trip

Happy English Day

Upcoming Events ☆June 2<sup>nd</sup> Eiken Test ☆June 4<sup>th</sup> Sports Day ☆July 18<sup>th</sup>. to July 25<sup>th</sup>. Trip to Australia (5th Graders)