

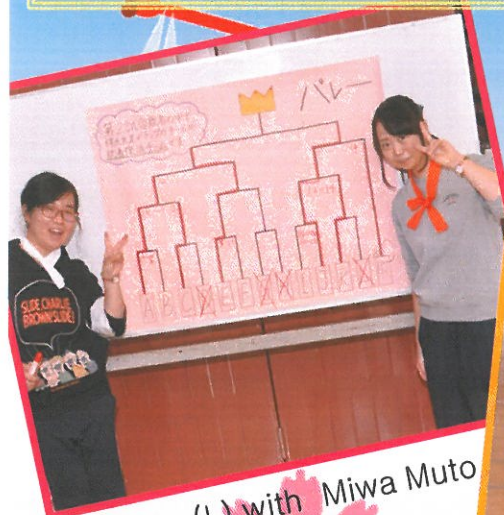
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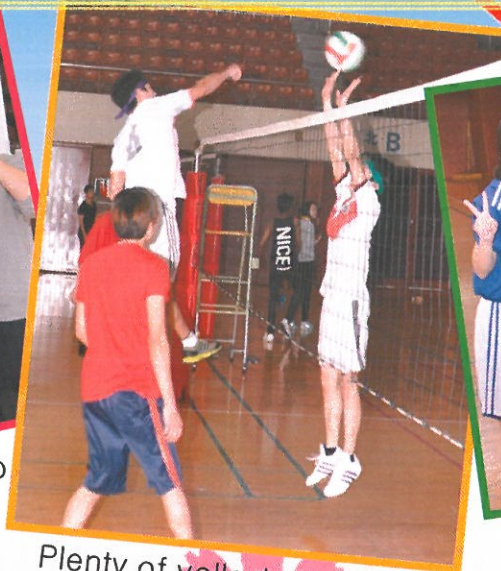
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SPORTS DAY IN TOMIZAWA

On October 29th, Gaigo had its annual Sports Festival at the Sendai City Gym near Tomizawa. This year, there were three events: volleyball, basketball and a relay that included a scavenger hunt. For the first time teams were totally mixed between 1st and 2nd Year students as well as foreign students studying Japanese. It was a great way to meet new people and work together. However there was one disappointing feature: attendance was only about 50%. We hope in the future that all students will make an effort to come to this fun event. Eri Obana, one of the organizers said, "Although we had to change the original plan because of missing students, the day went smoothly and I was very relieved. Congratulations to the winning Red Team!"



Eri Obana (L) with Miwa Muto



Plenty of volleyball action



Some members of Blue Team

COMPETITIVE SPEECH CONTEST

Emiri Sawaki

On November 12th, Gaigo had its speech contest at Fukuishi Plaza. There were three sections: English, Chinese and Japanese with a total of 15 competitors. The first prize was an Amazon Kindle and the second prize was a Nintendo 3DS. Although the competitors were nervous, they did a great job. Congratulations to Sayuri Agatsuma for her winning speech "Too skinny, too risky". Sayuri said after the contest: "It was difficult this year to practice, but I did my best. I was really happy to win. The other speeches were so good!"



(L - R) Sharma, Haruna, Maki, and Sayuri.

-English Section-

1st Sayuri Agatsuma (2nd Super English)

2nd Haruna Nitta (2nd Multi Purpose)

-Chinese Section-

1st Maki Sato

(2nd Bilingual English and Chinese)

-Japanese Section-

1st Sharma Ram Prasad

(1st International Business)



INSIDE YOUR BAG

Do you sometimes wonder what's in your friend's bag? This time, we'll show you all their secrets! Let's check four bags!



Yurika Abe (2nd Year Travel)

Yurika bought this backpack in Sendai a month ago. She can carry it without using her hands, and it has a side access zipper. Her top three favorite things are ① Travel Guide Book, ② Pencil Box (Radwimps) and ③ Diary + Travel Diary (Rollbahn). She got ① from her cram school teacher when she was in junior high school. She often dreams about going to Alaska to see the aurora someday. So far she had been to France, so she always carries ④ L'OCCITANE hand cream and lipstick as a reminder. She says "I always write about my travel in the pink book!"

Kaho Asanuma (2nd Year Hotel - Wedding)

Kaho's pink and white bag is from Samantha Thavasa. She bought it this summer because she wanted to have a large bag. Inside is ① her pink seashell mirror and her ② kangaroo purse which she bought in Australia last year. She carries ③ the wedding magazine 'Zexy' because she belongs to the Hotel Wedding Course. In addition, she also carries ④ a leopard pattern diary to keep track of her schedule. Of course, there is also ⑤ a Pre 1st Eiken book! Kaho says "In my free time, I love to hang out with my friends, Kana and Tomoka".

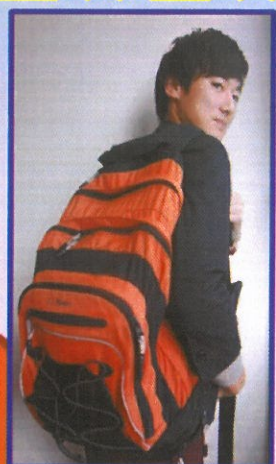


Koki Nemoto (1st Year Multi Purpose)

Koki goes to school with this enormous L.L. Bean backpack which he bought on the Internet a year ago. It cost about 10,000 yen and there is enough space for all his school stuff. His best three belongings are: ① Sony Walkman ② Mechanical Pencil ③ Study Files. He often studies while listening to music, especially the all girl group Perfume. He loves this group, so ④ his iPhone also features them! Koki studies hard so he always carries many books in his bag, and he sometimes borrows ⑤ books from Omi Sensei. He says "I made my own original ⑥ flash cards to memorize a lot of difficult vocabulary. Why don't you try it?"

Minori Kikuchi (1st Year Multi Purpose)

Minori's school bag is a black shoulder model that she bought when she was a high school student. It is useful because there are a lot of zippers so she can conceal important stuff! She really likes ① the Indian style pencil case that her high school friend gave as a souvenir from a Tokyo trip. One of her necessities is ② the makeup purse. She bought it at Daiso, and even though it was cheap it looks good. Inside is good quality make-up: Maybelline mascara, MAJOLICA MAJORCA eye shadow and Visee lipstick. She wears ③ fashionable glasses while walking outside. She said "I also bring ④ some dietary supplements for staying healthy and for energy".





Airline Students in Korea



Twenty 1st Year Airline students traveled to Korea on November 1st to attend the 'Cabin Crew Challenging Course' at the Asiana Airlines Training Center. They learned grooming skills that included application of make-up, hair styling and deportment. After that they practiced emergency exit procedures, food and drink service, and in-flight announcements. Of course, they were also able to sample many delicious Korean foods such as yakiniku and bibimbap, as well as take a short tour of Seoul's main attractions. On the return trip, they stopped at Narita Airport for some further training, and to meet some graduates working there. We asked one of the students, Ai Takahashi, about the trip. She said "I was very nervous at first, but the teachers were really good so I could relax and learn".



Enjoying some traditional yakiniku on the last night in Seoul.



Emergency training at the pool. Luckily it was heated.



Ai Takahashi, Ruka Ohashi and Ritsuko Takahashi serving snacks.

HALLOWEEN PARTY

Gaigo had a Halloween party for students on October 30th. Students enjoyed playing games like 'Eye-Ball Toss', 'Mummy Wrap' and 'Balloon Passing'. After the games snacks and drinks were served and many people enjoyed dancing and having fun. Many thanks to the students who came in costume. Let's do it again next year!



Tour Guiding in ZUIHODEN

On October 14th, five 2nd Year students of the Interpretation Course went to Zuihoden to practice their skills. Their task was to explain the history of Zuihoden and Date Masamune. One student, Kayo Yasuda, said "It was difficult to explain, but I had a good experience. I got some confidence, and I could learn stuff about Sendai".



Kayo at work (Kansenden).



The four interpreters.

George Macnaughton



BYE-BYE MISAKI

Misaki Ishikawa (2nd Year Instructor) will leave for America on January 11th. She'll be working for Mitsukoshi in Disney World (Orlando, Florida) for one year. Good luck, Misaki! We'll miss you, and so will your cat, Yuki.



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Our Nice Friendly Teachers

I interviewed three great teachers for this issue.

Yoko Sakuma (*Eiken and Translation*)

Yoko is a Sendai woman. She was born in Nagamachi and now she lives in Nakayama. She comes to Gaigo using her car, a brand new Mazda CX-3. She is very knowledgeable about food and cats. When she was a child, she wanted to be a newscaster, and she still likes researching news. Her favorite mascot character is the Cheshire Cat from Alice in Wonderland. She has a big collection of them. Her favorite food is peanuts and she also likes eating vegetables. She is scared of airplanes, so the maximum time she can be in one is about 5 hours. She says, "You should study hard after you graduate from school."



Sayuri Agatsuma

Yuko Takeda (*English Dept.*)

Yuko was born in Aomori, and grew up in Sendai. She loves watching Korean DVDs and drinking beer (and sometimes champagne). She is very good at remembering names and faces. She likes to eat spicy food, but hates sweets. When Yuko was a child, she wanted to be a singer. She is the organizer of the upcoming Canadian Study Tour. Vancouver was chosen because she thinks it's the best place to study and to have a good homestay experience. She wants students to think about working overseas in the future. For the first time, teachers will also do a home stay, and she is very excited about it. Good luck in Canada, Yuko!



Katsuhiko Sugawara (*Japanese Dept.*)

Katsuhiko is from Kessenuma City in northern Miyagi. He teaches Japanese to foreign students in Gaigo. He loves to travel in Japan, but he has never used the *shinkansen*; he prefers to use local trains and he also uses local roads even for distant places. Naturally, he likes to eat many kinds of seafood, especially *katsuo* and *sanma*. When he was young, he wanted to become a doctor, but unfortunately his ES math score was too low! His ambition is to visit as many sports stadiums in the world as he can. He says "Please keep learning. Your whole life should be devoted to study and exploration".



Manabu says...

During the winter vacation, please study hard! Don't eat too much and do some exercise. Be careful not to get a cold! Enjoy your winter vacation!



SCHEDULE

Dec. 6-Dec.17: Vancouver Trip
Dec.6-Dec.11 : 1st year Travel Students Trip
(Seoul + Singapore)
Dec.22-Jan. 11: Winter Vacation
Dec.25 : Christmas Day
Dec.21,25,28 : SEC
Birthdays(Marina,Emiri,Sayuri)

