



英語

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# Konan Lounge News



International Understanding lecture(5-lesson course)

## Honorific Language in Japanese

■Date & Time: Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>

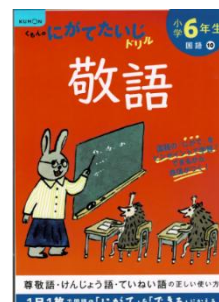
Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> (A total of 5 lessons)

10:30~11:50 All on Monday.

■Application: From Sep. 12<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Come to the Lounge please.

■Fee: ¥1,000 Pay when you apply please.

■Limited to: First 7 applicants.



Using easy-to-understand textbooks.



## Japanese Conversation club

"I want to speak more." "I want to express my feeling." Recommended for those people.

■Date & Time: Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> All on Tuesday. 10:00~11:30

■Fee: Once ¥100.

■Limited to: First 8 applicants. As needed. Come or by call & E-mail.

## Studying Class for Non-native Japanese Children (Happa)

■Date & Time: Every 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 13:00~14:10

October Course Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ~Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026(A total of 14 lessons.)

■Target: Elementary school and junior middle school students.

■Fee: ¥300(14 lessons.)

■Limited to: First 13 applicants.



## "World Stall Village(Konan Children Dream World)"

Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> (Sat) 10:00~15:00 will be held at Konan Hureai Park.

You may eat the food from different countries.

Last year, food and miscellaneous goods from Thailand, China, Korea, Philippines, Indonesia, Brazil, Peru were sold

It will be a good chance for you to enjoy world food at Konan Ward. Welcome!



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(Every First Wednesday morning, English interpreter is available.)

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## 【Report】 Lounge Exchange Event “All-you-can-eat Strawberry Picking”

Spring Lounge Exchange Event was held on Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> on a strawberry farm close to Keikyu Tsukuihama. Sixty-one people (37 foreigners included) participated in the event.

It was a warm sunny day and the best weather for strawberry picking.

The red strawberries freshly picked were so sweet that we ate till we were full. “Good! Delicious!” “I’m full!”



## 【Report】 Husband and Wife Challenging the Top Level Trail Running Race UTMB

The total running distance is 176km and the total elevation gain for the course is 10000m.

You have to finish the race within the time limit and without sleeping. That’s UTMB.

Someone has been challenging that inhuman race for 15 years. Who? He is Mr. Kishi Nobuo, our volunteer. His aim is to finish the race as the oldest runner and to be commended.

With his wife’s support, Mr. Kishi’s challenge continues. Mr. Kishi put his passionate thoughts into the race, and we were all moved by his lecture.



Konan Lounge front desk is providing different kinds of support to make foreign residents to live easier here in Japan. Here is the introduction of our new staff.



Ms. Tamakawa

I’ve been living here in Konan Ward for nearly 40 years. I like travelling and travel from near to far. I enjoy the beautiful scene there, eat the delicious food, re-set my heart to live happily on my daily life.

I was born and grew up at Kamiooka. At Konan Lounge, I am inspired by interacting with people from different countries. I’m moved by the active passionate volunteers.

I am supported by the kind staff and coworkers, I learned a lot every day.



Ms. Yamada



Ms. Tsukada

I like lovely things and I’m enjoyed in making patch work little things. I like baseball and my family supports Yokohama Baystars. While I was raising my child, I was helped and supported by many people from the city facilities. I want to pay it forward.

25 years ago, I started living in Yokohama, a beautiful city with a lot of nature.

Recent years, I rent a kitchen garden and I’m enjoyed in growing vegetable. I want to help the people who come to the lounge to live easily in Yokohama and like Yokohama.



Ms. Tsuboi



Ms. Hirato

Though I’m not good at them, I like dancing and playing golf.

I used to be an operator at the call center. This is the first time for me to meet people from different countries face to face, so I’m excited every day.

Please come to Konan Lounge to apply for the lectures and events.

Opening hours: 9:00~21:00 Sunday • Holiday till 17:00

Closing on every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, Year-end and New Year holidays.

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