

KIU Academy Summer School

Summer school is designed to help high school students at KIU Academy earn necessary credits toward graduation. Classes offered during summer school depend on teacher availability and student enrollment. The cost for each class is ¥50,000, which includes a ¥5000 per class application fee. If less than three (3) students are signed up for a class or a teacher is unavailable, that class will be cancelled. When this happens, the application and enrollment fees will be refunded.

Summer school is scheduled to start July 20 and finish August 7. There will be a morning session and an afternoon session, depending on the classes available. Each class will be three hours.

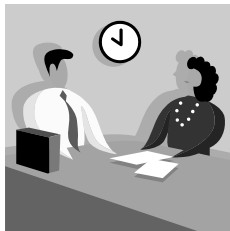
Students may obtain registration forms from the office. These are due June 30. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Myers for more information.

Kyoto International University is now accepting new student applications. At Ms. Tamura's reception desk (Building A) and other places on campus, there are clear folders with marketing information profiling our students, faculty and programs as well as the interesting educational and career paths of several KIU graduates.

In June and July, we will be welcoming prospective students to campus. If you know of an individual (perhaps a family member or friend) that might like to visit campus, sit in on a class as well as meet professors and students, please ask them to contact Ms. Yuki Bito

Parent-Teacher Conferences

We want to remind you that parent-teacher conferences for the spring trimester are scheduled for June 1-5. If you haven't received your reservation form yet, please contact your child's homeroom teacher. We want to use this time to bring you up to date on your children's progress. If you are unable to meet at any of the times listed, please make arrangements with your child's homeroom teacher to set up a different time.



High School Summer Camp

This year we are initiating a change in the way we schedule camps for middle school and high school students. Instead of having two camps per year for these levels, we will alternate between summer and winter camps. The camps will also be of longer duration. This allows us to find better venues farther away.

This summer, the high school will go to the Wakasa-

wan Outdoor Learning Youth Hostel in Fukui prefecture. We will be staying there three days and two nights. Since it is on the coast, we will enjoy such activities as sea kayaking, canoeing, swimming, boating, and hiking. For many, it may be a once in a lifetime experience.

While the high school students are away, the middle school students will participate in enrichment activities. Instead

(yuki.bitou@kyotoiu.ac.jp, 0774-64-0804, Monday – Friday) to discuss the possibilities. You, as well as prospective students, can also receive more information by visiting KIU on the web (www.kyotoiu.ac.jp). For your convenience, a mobile phone QR code is also included in the newsletter.

Thank you for your support and for freely sharing the "good news" that Kyoto International University welcomes visitors to campus and is eager to help students meet their educational goals.



KIU Corner

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KIU ACADEMY

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The Torch

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KIU Academy Mission Statement:

To provide, from a Biblical perspective, a safe, nurturing environment where students can develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually, and an academically challenging environment where students can potentially become people of academic excellence.

KIU Academy Vision Statement:

To be the leader in quality bilingual education based on Christian principles

HS BOYS WIN BIG

Friday, May 15, KIU Academy hosted the WJAA Spring Volleyball Tournament at Ide gym. Congratulations to the whole team as they came through as champions! The varsity boys had sparkling play at times and were dominating, not dropping a set in their four matches. This is a culmination of hard work and focus thanks to Mr. Blocksom and the whole team. Nagoya and Osaka coaches complimented on the Flames on their good teamwork, especially Tomoki's setting and Joel's powerful spikes. Thank you to all the students and supporters who came out and cheered the team on!

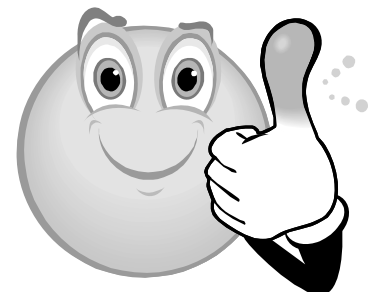
The boys also played Kizu High School on Monday, 5/18, and won an exciting three-set match in the final tie-breaker. The team looks to continue playing other Japanese teams through mid-June.



2010 First Grade Applications Due

The application deadline for first graders who want to enter KIU Academy in April of 2010 is **June 30, 2009.**

Please contact Ms Yamamoto for more information.



2009 Summer English Program

Summer is almost here, and KIU Academy is offering a fun-filled summer English program for 1st through 5th grade children. Not only do we encourage current KIU students to attend, but we also wish to invite students who will be joining KIU in the future.

During the program, students will be encouraged to use English in a variety of creative activities, such as arts and crafts, sports, games,

drama, and music. Character building themes and interactive social skills will be emphasized each day.

The program will go from July 14-17, Tuesday through Friday, and will be from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00PM. A registration form for elementary students is included in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Carman.

Teacher Profile – Mr. Allan Alipio



Hello! My name is Allan Alipio. I was born and raised in the Philippines. I started my journey from a very humble beginning, and it's really a blessing that God had brought me this far. I was raised by very loving and God-fearing parents that constantly encouraged and motivated me always to give my best shot and always to trust in the Lord.

I graduated with a bachelor of science degree in secondary education, majoring in biology. Despite the fact that I was raised in the country side, it's always been my dream to work in an international school. My dream is accompanied by my appreciation for diversity, and I consider it a privilege to teach students from all backgrounds.

My dream to work internationally became a reality when God called me to the Bahamas. I spent almost five fruitful years teaching over there and just last year, I had an opportunity to work in a Canadian school in China. Two months ago, God opened the doors to KIU Academy, and the school warmly welcomed me. I am very thank-

ful for the opportunity to work with magnificent students and ever supportive staff. While here at KIU, it is my earnest prayer that I help children come to know and believe in Jesus Christ as their Savior.

My way of teaching is a combination of different styles that I learned in the past five years as I traveled in different places. It is basically a blend of East and West. I try my best to provide learning experiences that build character, interpersonal skills, and community-oriented individuals and to let students feel the love of Christ for them that would eventually encourage a personal relationship with the Lord.

Administrator's Corner - Mr. Rohrer



Much is in the news these days about the new type of flu, and this situation has provided a good opportunity to think how to take care of our health. We are making an effort to help students learn good habits, and we would appreciate your cooperation as we seek to limit the spread of illnesses at school.

At KIU Academy, we have taken some steps to limit the spread of germs. For example, we have turned off the water coolers at school for the time being since they are a location where infection might easily be spread. For this reason, we ask that students be sure to bring their own water bottle or

drinks to school. We are also choosing to open the windows in the classrooms to allow circulation of fresh air rather than using the air conditioners. Students may feel hotter due to this choice, but we encourage them to dress accordingly.

Preventative measures have often been highlighted in the news recently, but we ask you to remind your children to follow good health practices, particularly that they wash their hands regularly and thoroughly (between their fingers, under their finger nails, etc) with soap for at least fifteen seconds. Although some authorities in the USA and on English internet sites have

stated that face masks are ineffective in preventing the spread of influenza, it has been reported that masks sold in Japan are helpful, so wearing masks is encouraged when in close proximity to other people, especially if children have any symptoms of illness.

Finally, we would ask that you be sure to check your child's temperature when they are not feeling well and do not send your child to school if the temperature is 37.5 degrees or higher. If your child is found to have a temperature of 37.5 degrees or higher at school, we will contact you and the child will be sent home.

Thank you for working with us to protect the health of all the children and staff at KIU Academy.

KIU Academy Sports

MS Boys` Volleyball Tournament



The Flames won the consolation match against Nagoya to end up in 3rd place at the Canadian Academy Invitational Tournament. There were strong performances by all the members, but especially by Nathanael Gaub and Kendrick Miyano. The first day of the tournament had its up's and down's. KIUA would always play beautifully, winning the first set by 8-10 points. However, they seemed to be a completely different team during the second and third sets. They lost against NIS who they met again in the consolation game. The second day was much better. KIUA beat the tournament champions CA in three sets, with scores of 25-17, 11-25, and 15-12. Excellent performances were put in by Eui Pyo Hong, Yutaro Ikehata, and Yosuke Nakamura. Be-

cause of an injury that Micha-Lukas Gaub had, Yekyung Kim was brought up from the B team and did his best to adjust to the pace of the games. All in all, it was a good experience for them.

On the second day of the tournament, CA hosted a volleyball festival. It was a chance for the B team players to get some playing time in. Our B team played a total of 10 sets. The final record was seven wins and three losses. Everyone played their best, but Sean Osada did his best as the setter, running the offense for this young team.



Fall Sports

This fall KIUA will be providing the following opportunities for MS/HS students to participate in club sports: MS girls, HS boys and girls: volleyball, MS boys: baseball. Sign-ups will take place in June.

Summer Volleyball Camps

From July 13-17, KIU Academy will be having a volleyball camp for all KIU Academy students in grades 6-12 who have ever played volleyball or are interested playing volleyball. It will be held at the Noto youth hostel in Ishikawa prefecture. The camp clinician is still being



decided.

The cost of the camp, including travel, food, and accommodation will be ¥22,000 per student. If students register before the deadline, they can receive a ¥2000 discount.

For more information, please contact Gregg Hutton, KIU Academy Athletic Director.

Forgotten Uniforms

KIU Academy sports club members should return their uniforms the week after the season is finished. Unfortunately, there are several sets of uniforms missing, especially from MS Boys' basketball last fall. If your children participated in any club sports over the past year, please check to see if there are forgotten uniforms lying around somewhere in their rooms.