

Many discoveries! I "love" this town

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There are 3 classes and over 100 students for the 2nd graders who are bursting with cheerfulness.

For September's life studies class students studied "Town Exploration" and researched about the people in the town, shops, facilities, and nature. The aim is to have them realize that, in our lives, we deal with people and many places around us.

After all of them walked and looked around the school district on the street, they thought about what they wanted to research in particular. Next, in their groups, they went to the shop or facility they decided to research and interviewed the people there. It looks like the children were able to fall in love with the town, area, and the people who answered questions, and showed them things of interest. They were able to get a glimpse of the community and people who work there.

Again, since many parents and guardians participated and helped out, the activity was completed safely.

We are grateful for everyone's kind efforts. Thank you very much.

Parent-Child Reading

Library Leader Naoko Kashima

Every day we get deeper and deeper into fall. How about having fun reading with your children during the long, comfortable fall nights?

This year at Higashimachi we are working on "20 min. Parent-Child Readings."

Usually students read the book they like individually, but during this "parent-child reading," period I recommend children have adults read to them. It will surely be a wonderful time for both children and parents. I also suggest reading books individually in the same place. In order to forget the busy day, try spending time together reading in a quiet place. I hope the children will acquire good reading habits from their experience, and while growing up, they will always have a book by their side. Thank you in advance for your efforts.

<20 min Parent-Child Reading>

Period Oct. 23rd (Mon) to Nov. 5th (Sun)

Details Reading with parents and children,
keeping a record

* Turn in the "Reading Record" to the homeroom teacher on November 6th (Mon).

Teacher Development

Teacher Development Leader Shizuka Muramatsu

This year, having received March's new courses of study from MEXT, we are conducting research focused on physical education and language (Japanese and English), and have made the topic of our research "Creating Lessons with subjective, interactive, and deep learning, based on the objectives of the new courses of study."

For Japanese and English class, in order for students to have their own thoughts, communicate them, and enhance them, it is important for us teachers to conduct classes that let them clearly develop their ideas and communicate them to others, as well as listen and understand the ideas of others. Also, in physical education, in order for them to encourage others while thinking of ways to improve themselves, we are making the most of our time to let them enjoy praising their friends' efforts or think of how to compete in team sports, all while getting enough exercise.

No matter the subject, the purpose of our research is to create lessons where students do not only do what they are told, but want to learn more and try new approaches with the things they had learned.

