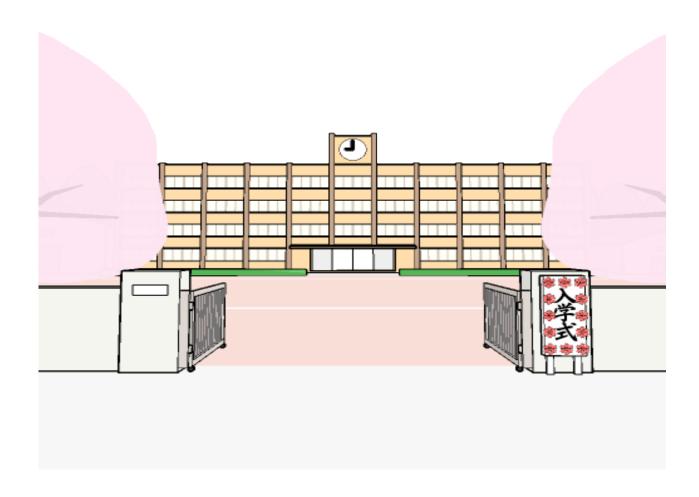
Guidebook for Parents/Guardians of Foreign Children who will Enter Elementary Schools in Nishitokyo City

# Information for Elementary Schools



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This guidebook provides parents/guardians with general information on the elementary schools in Nishitokyo City. Details may vary at each school. Be sure to get necessary and specific information of the school where your child will enroll!

# 1 Procedures for Starting Elementary School

Japanese elementary schools begin in April. Every child who is six years old on April 1 can and should enter an elementary school.

#### **1**School Entrance Application

If your child's nationality is not Japanese, you need to apply for school entrance by turning in the "School Entrance Application", or (SHUGAKU NEGAI). Bring the child's Residence Card and apply at the Education Planning Section (KYOIKU KIKAKUKA) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Hoya City Hall. (→ Education Planning Section: TEL 042-438-4071) If your child holds Japanese nationality, this application is not necessary.

# 2 Medical Check-up when Entering School

All children will have a medical check-up at the elementary school which they enter. Please let your child take this check-up.

#### **3**Guidance Letter for Entering School

"Guidance letter for entering school (SHUUGAKU TSUCHI)" will be sent by mail to all pupils who will enroll in April. Please turn in this "guidance letter for entering school (SHUUGAKU TSUCHI)" to the school on the entrance ceremony day.

### 4 School Orientation for Parents/Guardians

Every school offers a school orientation in January or February. Please do attend a school orientation at the school where your child will enroll.

→ You will get the whole picture of the school. Do not miss this orientation!

# (5) Entrance Ceremony (NYUUGAKU SHIKI)

The Entrance Ceremony will be held at the early part of April. On this day, please make sure that you bring and turn in to the school the "Guidance Letter for Entering School (SHUUGAKU TSUUCHI)".



#### Child Card (JIDOU CARD)

You are requested to fill in a "Child Card" and submit it to the school around the time of your child's entering school. You can always consult the homeroom teacher about questions and concerns on your child's education.

Write the following information on the Child Card.

Name and age (grade) of the child, parents/guardians and other family members.

Contact phone numbers for emergency

Write the telephone numbers of persons who can come to pick up your child when he/she gets sick suddenly, or in the case of an emergency. You will need to provide 3 or 4 contacts who can be responsible in taking care of your child including some neighbors as well as your own parents and other family members.

Write important information of your child which you may want the teacher to know.

Food allergy, illnesses or health concerns:

Ex. Kent gets itchy when he eats an egg.

Life style and behaviors (such as meals)

Ex. Ivan has difficulty in keeping still.

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じ どうめい 児童名	Name of Child
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じたくでん わ 自宅電話	Home Phone Number
ちくめい 地区名	Name of your District Group
まんきゅうれんらくさき 緊急連絡先	Emergency Contact Number
けいたいでん わ 携帯電話	Cell Phone Number:
はくば でんわ 職 場の電話	Phone Number of Workplace:
が	Friends in Neighborhood
かそくこうせい 家族構成	Family Members
<sup>ぞくがら</sup> 続柄	Relationship to Child
g NShē 保育歴	Day Care History before School
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引き取り人	case of Emergency/Disaster:

## 2 A Day in School

A day's schedule in the school varies from school to school. Be sure to confirm the timetable of the school your child enters.

#### < Example of A Day's Schedule of School>

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8:15~	TOUKOU – Go to school
8:25	Children take the designated route to school(TSUUGAKU RO).
8:25	You must inform the school if your child is late or absent.
8:30~	Meeting (SHUUKAI) - All the pupils will gather in the gym or school
	ground.
8:45	Morning Homeroom (ASA NO KAI) – A morning homeroom is held for
	exchanging morning greetings and receiving the day's information from the
	teacher.
8:45~	Classes (JYUGYOU)
	The homeroom teacher (TAN-NIN) will teach all subjects.
	There will be four classes of 45 minutes each in the morning. The subjects
	vary according to the day of the week.
	There will be a 5 minute break (YASUMI JIKAN) between classes, and a
	longer break of 20 minutes (NAKA YASUMI).
	Children can go to the rest room during break time.
12:25~	School Lunch (KYUUSHOKU)
13:05	School lunch is provided by the school.
	Parents/guardians pay for the cost.
	Children will take turns serving lunch to their own class. (KYUUSHOKU
	TOUBAN)
	Days with no lunch will be announced through a letter from school.
13:05~	After Lunch Break (HIRU YASUMI)
13:45	Cleaning Time (SOUJI) - Pupils and teachers will clean classrooms and
10.10	other areas in the school.
13:45~	Classes (JYUGYOU)
	There are days with no classes in the afternoon.
	Afternoon Homeroom (KAERI NO KAI) – The homeroom teacher will
	distribute a letter(s) from school (RENRAKU PURINTO) and announce
	important information about the next day's classes or other matters related
	to school life (GAKKOU SEIKATSU) such as friendships, cleaning times,
	school lunch, breaks, etc.
	Going home (GEKOU) – Children will go home along the designated route.
	After classes (HOUKAGO) – Time after all classes are over

#### GAKUDOU CLUB, or Club for School Children

— When you as parents/guardians cannot be at home due to work etc. and need to leave your child(ren) alone at home, you can place your child(ren), who are in the fourth grade or lower, with the Gakudou Club, or the Club for School Children. Application is needed. Please contact the following office for information: (→ Support for Child Rearing − Child and Adolescent Section − Tel: 042-460-9843. KOSODATE SHIENBU JIDOU SEISHONEN DEVISION)

### 3 Annual Schedule and Events

Schools are, in principle, closed on Saturdays, Sundays and National Holidays. But some school events may fall on these days. Annual events and their schedules are different from school to school. Please confirm the annual events and schedules of the school which your child goes to.

First Semester -	Entrance Ceremony (NYUGAKU SHIKI) - Ceremony to welcome newly
ICHI GAKKI	enrolled first grade pupils.
	Opening Ceremony (SHIGYOU SHIKI) - Ceremony of the first day of the
$(4/6 \sim 7/20)$	semester.
	Physical Check-up (SHINTAI SOKUTEI) – Pupils' height and weight will be
	measured. Also pupils' health will be examined by a doctor(s).
	Closing Ceremony (SHUUGYOU SHIKI) - Ceremony of the last day of the semester. Pupils will receive their school report (TUUCHI HYOU). (1)
Summer Break	There will be a swimming class (SUIEI SHIDOU) at school for a certain
NIAMONT	period during the summer break. (All regular classes are closed.)
NATSU	Pupils will be given Summer Assignments. They will submit their results
YASUMI	and achievements of the Summer Assignments on the first day of the second
(7/21 <b>~</b> 8/31)	semester.
Second Semester	Opening Ceremony (SHIGYOU SHIKI) – A "Pick-up Drill (HIKIWATASHI
- NI GAKKI	KUNREN) (2) will take place after the opening ceremony. (Some schools
NI GAKKI	conduct this training in the first semester.
$(9/1 \sim 12/25)$	Closing Ceremony (SHUUGYOU SHIKI)
Winter Break -	Pupils will be given Winter Assignments. They will submit their results and
FUYU YASUMI	achievements of the Winter Assignments on the first day of the third
$(12/26\sim1/7)$	semester. (All regular classes are closed.)
Third Semester -	Opening Ceremony (SHIGYOU SHIKI)
SAN GAKKI	Ceremony of the last day of the school year (SHUURYOU SHIKI) –
	Ceremony to commemorate pupils' completion of their school year.
$(1/8 \sim 3/25)$	Graduation Ceremony (SOTSUGYOU SHIKI) – Ceremony to
	commemorate the graduation of the sixth grade pupils.
Spring Break	After the Spring Break, all pupils will proceed to the next grade.
HARU YASUMI	
(3/26~4/5)	

#### (1)School Report (TUUCHI HYOU)

- The school report is to show the parents/guardians the grades of their pupil. Each school has a different name, such "AYUMI", for its school report. Pupils will receive a school report on the closing ceremony (SHUUGYOU SHIKI) day and should get their parents/guardians' "HANKO"\* on it and return it to the school on the next opening ceremony (SHIGYOU SHIKI) day.
- (2) **Pick-Up Drill (HIKIWATASHI KUNREN)** The Pick-up Drill is a simulation drill for an emergency such as earthquakes to return the pupils safe back home. You as a parent/guardian should go to school to pick up your child in this drill.

**HANKO** – You as parents/guardians are requested to press your HANKO to the column that says "HOGOSHA-INN" or has the mark "INN".

# School Activities to Enjoy (GYOUJI) – Schedules and contents vary from school to school.

**1.Sports Day (UNDOUKAI)** – Sports day is an event for pupils to enjoy sports activities such as short distance race, relays, and dancing. All pupils will participate.

Parents/guardians are also invited. Check with the teacher if you need to prepare a lunch for your child. Please read carefully the information paper about the Sports Day from the school (RENRAKU PRINT).

#### 2.Field trip, Excursion (ENSOKU) –

Pupils will bring a packed lunch (OBENTOU) from home and visit places outside the school for a whole day. Pupils will carry a picnic rucksack instead of their regular school bag, LANDOSERU.

- **3.Swimming Classes** There are swimming classes between June and September. On the morning of the swimming class day, before going to school, take the temperature of your child, record it in the "Swimming Card" (**SUIEI Card**), press your **HANKO** and make sure your child submit the card to school. The Swimming Card will be handed out to pupils from the school.
- **4.Presentation of Study (GAKUSHUU HAPPYOU KAI)** At this event, pupils will exhibit or present their work such as a drawing, poem or written reports made in class. All pupils and parents/guardians are invited.

#### 5. Musical & Theatrical Performances (GAKUGEI KAI) –

Pupils of each grade will present a theater piece.

All pupils and parents/guardians are invited.

**6.Music Day (ONGAKU KAI)** – Pupils of each grade will perform songs or play musical instruments. All pupils and parents/guardians are invited.

#### 7.Exhibition (TENRAN KAI) –

All pupils will present their art work.

All pupils and parents /guardians are invited.



**8.School Trip (IDOU KYOUSHITSU)** – All 6th graders will go out on an overnight trip. Fees will accrue.

# 4

#### Working together with your Child

 $\sim$  What Parents/Guardians are expected to Do at Home  $\sim$ 

The role of parents every day after school when your child comes back from school...

#### Check the Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU)

• The Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU) is used for pupils to write down important announcements from their teacher, and for the communication between teachers and you as parents/guardians.

#### Check all Letters from School (RENRAKU PRINT)

- Important information about school activities and class schedules will be announced through letters from school (RENRAKU PRINT. Read them carefully and keep them for a while as you may need the information later.
- The letters are also called "OTAYORI" or "OTEGAMI")

#### Check and help your child do Homework / Assignments (SHUKUDAI)

- Grade one pupils usually have homework such as practicing to write Hiragana and Kanji, or counting/calculating.
- They also have assignments called ONDOKU, or reading aloud their Japanese (KOKUGO) text book (KYOKASHO).

#### Preparation for the next day

- You and your child must read and check what is written in his/her Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU) and make sure that everything is ready and put inside his/her LANDOSERU.
- Prepare the textbooks and notebooks for the next day, since subjects vary everyday according to the day of the week.

Check together with your child if all things necessary are prepared.

#### 2 Necessary items for school

• You will receive information on the items which your child will need at school. Prepare them by the date designated. For example, swimming suit, keyboard harmonica (KENBAN harmonica), flute, ruler, etc.

# (3) Things to be washed on weekends and brought back to the school on Monday



- Every Friday, pupils will take home their PE uniforms and indoor-shoes.
- The pupils who are in charge of school lunch (KYUUSHOKU TOBAN) will take home the school apron. Wash these items and make sure that your child will return them to school on Monday.

# (4) If your child is to be late for school or has to leave school early...

- You as a parent/guardian must inform the school of the change of the schedule of your child.
- If your child is arriving late for school (CHIKOKU), you are required to accompany him/her to school.
- If your child has to leave school early (SOUTAI), you are required to pick him/her up at the school.

Teachers will be very worried if any pupil does not come to school without any notice.

Do not fail to inform the school.



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#### Things not allowed in school

- □Things not allowed to bring to school:
- ×Money, a cell phone, food, snacks, toys, video games
- □Things not allowed to do in school:
- ×Dying hair, wearing pierced earrings and other accessories are not allowed.
- ×Commuting to school by bicycle is not allowed.
- ×Being absent without notice to the school, or leaving school early without permission from the teacher is prohibited. You should always inform the school or the teacher of any changes.

# 6

#### Can your Child do these Things by him/herself?

- ■Can go to school along the designated school route, paying attention to traffic lights and cars.
- ■Can read and write his/her own name in Hiragana.
- ■Can reply "Hai" when his/her name is called.
- ■Can say his/her address and telephone number. (But) not tell these information to strangers.)
- ■Can change clothes. Can fold clothes after taking them off. Can take off and put on shoes.
- ■Can go to the rest room by him/herself. There are two kinds of toilet, Japanese and western style.
- ■Can eat with chopsticks, spoon and fork.
- ■Can tell the teacher or friends when feeling any aches physically or having any problems.
- ■Can put away his/her own things, raincoat etc. by him/herself.

Please walk and experience the designated school route with your child before he/she enters the school!

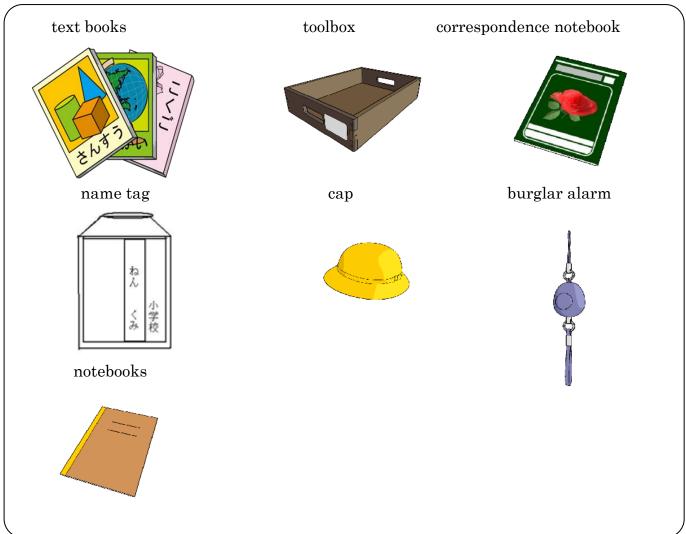


# 7 Things used at School

Please confirm with your school as to what things your child needs at school because they vary from school to school.



Write and put the full name of your child on all things used at school.

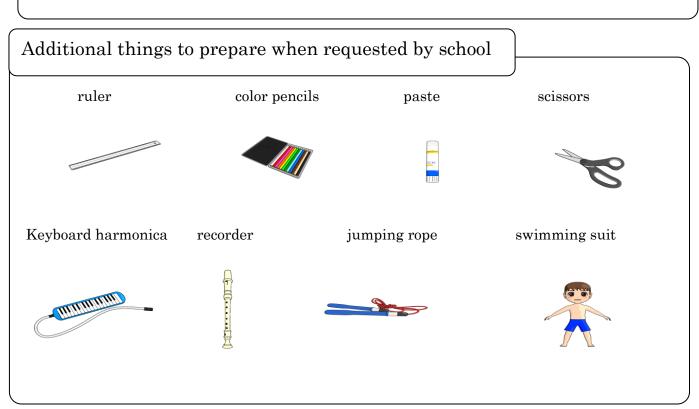


#### Things to prepare as chosen and designated by the school.

indoor shoes

P.E. wear red/white caps disaster protection hood

# Things to prepare when school starts handy bag Landoseru / school bag sports shoes ZOKIN, or a stitched towel for cleaning



### 8 Children's Health and School Clinic

The school also takes care of pupils' health and safety.

#### 1 School Clinic

Every school has a school clinic (HOKEN SHITSU) and a nurse (HOKEN NO SENSEI). When a child gets injured or sick, he/she will receive first aid treatment in the HOKEN SHITSU. If necessary, the nurse will inform and ask his/her parents/guardians to come to school and pick up the child.

#### ②Health Survey

A Health Survey Sheet or Card will be given to pupils soon after entering school. Write in the parents/guardians' contact numbers in case of emergency, any medical history before entering school, and records concerning the child's allergy and vaccination. Submit the sheet/card to school after filling it up.

### 3Physical Check-up

Children will receive a physical check-up at their schools. Parents/guardians will receive a card showing its results, which they need to press their HANKO on and return to the school.

### **4**Infections Disease (KANSEN SHOU)

When your child catches an infectious disease such as influenza, mumps (OTAFUKU KAZE), measles (HASHIKA) and chicken pox (MIZU BOUSOU), he/she must stay at home until the doctor gives permission to get back to school. This is to avoid infecting other children with the disease.

### ⑤Temporary Closing of Classes (GAKKYUU HEISA)

Due to a spread of an infectious disease, a whole class(es) may be closed. In this case, all pupils of the class(es) stop coming to school. Pupils not infected should also stay home calmly.

### **6**Sleep Early and Get up Early (HAYANE HAYAOKI)

Please see to it that your child eats breakfast before going to school so that he/she can have a good and active day at school.

At night, let your child go to bed early and get enough sleep.

# 9

#### Communication Between School and Family

# (1)Use Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU)

When your child needs to be absent from, or is to come late to, school, write to that effect in the Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU) and ask his/her brother/sister or a friend to take it to school

<例> Example

#### Good morning.

Ex.1: My child will be absent today because of cold.

Ex.2: My child will be late because he/she has to go to the hospital.

Ex.3: My child has to leave early since he/she has an appointment. I will come to pick him/her up after the second session.

Thank you.

- In Japanese schools, a pupil will not be absent from school except for the reason of illness or injury.
- Without informing the school of the child's absence (KESSEKI) or of lateness (CHIKOKU), teachers will worry of a possible accident. Please never fail to inform the school.
- If your child cannot participate in P.E. class due to some illness or injury, write that information in the Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU) so the teacher will know about it.
- Please write any information which you wish/need to tell the teacher or the school, in the Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU), and hand it in to the school.
- ©If you forget to write information for the school in the Correspondence Notebook (RENRAKU CHOU), please be sure to call the school by phone.

# ②Always check a letter from the school, GAKUNEN DAYORI!

Pupils will receive various letters from school (RENRAKU PURINTO).

The Letter of each Grade Level (<u>GAKUNEN DAYORI</u>) will inform you of contents of lessons and things to prepare for some lessons.

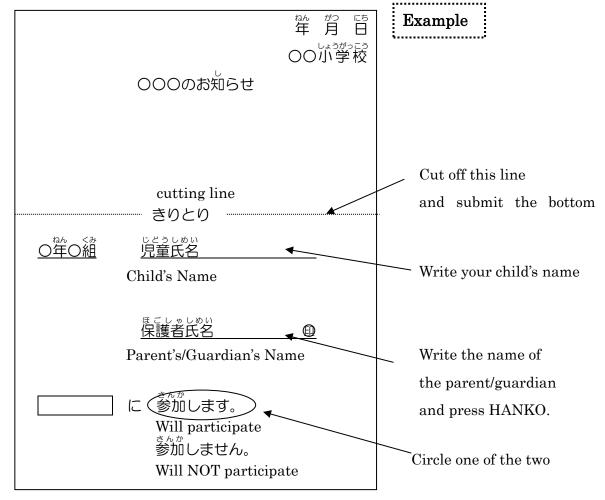
Always read these letters yourself or ask someone to read them for you so you understand better and fully.  $(\rightarrow p.19/5)$ 

\*The name of these letters varies between schools and grade levels.

#### 3 Application for Events (GYOJI) and Lesson Materials (KYOZAI)

~Application may be necessary for certain activities or lesson materials for you and/or your child to attend or to receive.~

You need to fill in the names of the parent/guardian and the child in an application form, and turn it in to the teacher.



#### **4**Group Mail, or Sugu(=Quick) Mail, from School to Each Family

School may send a group mail to all families for safety reasons in such cases of a typhoon, heavy snow, or information about suspicious strangers. A prior registration is necessary to receive a group mail. Please register your mail address every year following a registration manual from school.

## ⑤Contact Network(RENRAKU MOU)

Contact Network (RENRAKU MOU) is a network-type list of children's names and contact telephone numbers to relay an important message from the school by telephone. If you don't understand the message relayed over this network, do not hesitate to ask other parents!

Please be sure to tell the homeroom teacher if you do not read Japanese!

# 10 When and How to Know about School and your Child at School

The school offers gatherings and opportunities where you can meet the homeroom teacher and other parents/guardians.



# ① Parent/Teacher Meeting (HOGOSHA KAI)

At a Parent/Teacher meeting (HOGOSHA KAI), the homeroom teacher and parents/guardians will discuss topics such as pupils' studies, behaviors and activities in school and how pupils spend their time at home.

You will have a chance to meet other parents.

Do attend this meeting and do not worry about your Japanese ability!

## ②Open Class (JUGYOU SANKAN)

You can visit and observe classes of your child on an open class day (JUGYOU SANKAN BI).



#### ③Individual Interview(KOJIN MENDAN)

The "Individual Interviews" will give you a good and important opportunity where you can talk individually with the homeroom teacher about your child.

# 4 Home Visitation (KATEI HOUMON)

The homeroom teacher will visit each house of the pupils of his/her class to talk with the parents/guardians. (Some schools do not have this visitation program.)



# 11 Costs pertaining to School

The following are the costs and fees you will need to pay to the school.

#### **Textbooks and Tuition fee**

Textbooks and tuition fee for elementary schools are free of charge.

### ②Lesson Material Fee (KYOUZAI HI)

You need to pay for lesson materials.

The homeroom teacher will hand out an envelope to collect money (SHUUKIN BUKURO) to each pupil when it is time to collect fees for such materials.

You should put the exact amount of money into the envelope so that no change will be needed. Your child is to take to the school the envelope with the money on the due date.

# ③School Lunch Fee (KYUUSHOKU HI)

You need to pay for the school lunch.

You will be asked to open an account at the bank designated by the school. Then, the lunch fee will be automatically withdrawn from this bank account.

#### **4**PTA Fees

You need to pay the fee for the PTA around May, putting the fee in the designated envelope.

Some schools may not have PTA.

#### PTA (Parents and Teachers Association)

Every parent/guardian will be a member of the PTA. The representatives from each grade (GAKUNEN) will lead the management of the PTA. The activities include events of the district and safety patrols when children go to school and come back home.

# Words and Terms for School

TEACHERS&STAFF 先生と職員					
で 長先生	Principal	専科の先生	Teacher for Special		
			Subject		
ふくこうちょうせんせい 副校長先生	Assistant principal	保健の先生	School Nurse		
たんにん せんせい 担任の先生	Homeroom Teacher	主事さん	Janitor		

SCHOOL FACILITIES 学校の施設					
できまん せいもん 校門・正門	school gate	80ましつ 図書室	school library		
	main gate				
<sup>こうしゃ</sup> 校舎	school building	きゅうしょくしつ 給食室	kitchen		
できてい うんどうじょう 校庭(運動場)	school ground	まらくてきしつ 多目的室	multi-purpose room		
うけつけ 受 <b>付</b>	reception desk	そうだんいつ 相談室	counselling room		
げた箱	shoe boxes	保健室	school clinic		
<u>ろうか</u> 郎ト	Corridor	けいびいんしつ 警備員室	security guard room		
がいだん	Stairs	たいいくかん 体育館	gymnasium, gym		
りょうこうぐち 昇降口	Entrance	プール	swimming pool		
<sub>きょうしつ</sub> 教室	Classroom	といわ	toilet, wash room		
職員室	faculty room	水飲み場	water faucets and		
	teachers' room		fountains		
			for drinking and		
			washing		

SUBJECTS of LESSONS 授業の科目					
c< ご 国語	Japanese	家庭	Home Economics		
ghaja 算数	Mathematics	<sup>とうとく</sup> 道徳	Moral Education		
世にかっ生活	Life Studies	そうごう そうごうがくしゅう 総合(総合学習)	Integrated Studies		
Grade 3-6 will study	Science (RIKA) and	はいました書写	Calligraphy		
Social Studies (SHA	KAI) instead of Life				
Studies					
理科	Science	がっかつ がっきゅうかつどう 学活(学級活動)	Class activity		
社会	Social Studies	がいこく ご かつどう 外国語活動	Foreign Language		

			Activities
すこう すがこうさく 図工(図画工作)	Art & Crafts	Foreign Language Activities (English) will	
		start from Grade 5.	
おんがく音楽	Music	くらづ	Club Activities
体育	Physical Education	Club activities will start from Grade 4.	

THINGS TO BRING TO SCHOOL 持ちもの					
がからうお弁当	packed lunch	しおり	booklet, guidebook		
水筒	flask, water bottle	<sup>きが</sup> 着替え	change of clothes		
しきもの	picnic sheet	<sup>うわぎ</sup> 上着	jacket, coat		
お手ふき・おしぼり	small damp towel to	<sub>したぎ</sub> 下着	underwear		
	wipe hands				
びに - るぶくろ ビニール 袋	plastic bag	あまぐ 雨具	umbrella and		
(スーパーの袋)	(supermarket bag)		rain coat		
リュックサック リュックサック	rucksack, knapsack	置きがさ	umbrella left		
			at school		
			for sudden rain		

SCHOOL SUPPLIES 学用品					
えんぴつけずり	pencil sharpener	<sup>なまえ ペ ん</sup> 名前ペン	oil pen to write		
			names		
お土	Clay	どりる れんしゅうもんだい ドリル(練習問題)	workbook		
お土板	clay board				

SCHOOL LIFE 学校生活					
がくしゅう 学習	learning, studying	<sup>ቴ&lt;ひょう</sup> 目標(めあて)	objective, purpose		
がっきゅう くらす学級、クラス	Class	<sup>てすと</sup> テスト	examination		
男子・女子	boy / girl	けんか	quarrel, fight		
ていがくねん 低学年	grades 1 & 2	<sup>カすれもの</sup> 忘れ物	things left behind		
ちゅうがくねん 中学年	grades 3 & 4	ぎし物	lost property		
こうがくねん 高学年	grades 5 & 6	<sub>てんにゅう</sub> 転入	transfer from		
			another school		
班	squad, group	<b>転入生</b>	a transfer student		
<sup>とうばん</sup> 当番	on duty, shift	放送	announcement		
かかり <b>係</b>	person in charge	ふしんしゃ 不審者	suspicious person		

にっちょく 日直	on day duty	誘拐	kidnapping
さくしょ 読書	reading books	ちくはん 地区班	district group, zone
			group
さくしょしゅうかん 読書週間	book reading week	きまり・きそく	rules
	self-study	ひなんくんれん 避難訓練	disaster evacuation
			drill
8月 名簿	list of names	しゅうだんとうこう 集団登校	going to school
			in group
がね 鐘・チャイム	Chimes	しゅうだんげ こう 集団下校	going home from
			school in group
<sub>ちゃくせき すわ</sub> 起立(立ってください)・着 席(座ってください)		Stand up, sit down	

HYGIENE 衛生				
手洗い	wash hands	さんかくきん 三角巾	triangular cloth to	
			cover one's head	
うがい	Gargle	えぶっん はくり エプロン (白衣)	apron (white coat)	
へいねつ <b>平熱</b>	normal temperature	台ふきん	duster	
排便	stool, or evacuation	らんちょんまっと ランチョンマット	luncheon mat	
<sub>にょうけんさ</sub> 尿 検査	Urinalysis	<sup>な ぷ き ん</sup> ナプキン	napkin	
ぎょう 虫 検査	threadworm test	ほうき	broom	
予防接種	Vaccination	ちりとり	dustpan	
むしば 虫歯	Cavities	そうきん 雑巾	ZOKIN, or	
			a stitched towel for	
			cleaning	
けが	Injuries	ばけっ <b>バケツ</b>	bucket	
つめ	Nail	ぃ ゕ ぁ ぁ ぇ ゕ ざ インフルエンザ	influenza	
おもらし	wet one's pants			

# 13 Where to Consult when you have Problems

### ① About your child's development and growth

Before entering school, you can consult the Education Committee of Nishitokyo City. Please go to the Education Support Section of the Education Division.

After entering school, please consult your child's homeroom teacher.

### ② Bullying

Please consult the homeroom teacher.

You can also consult the school counselor at the school.

### ③Financial Problems and Aids

You can apply for Financial Assistance for School Expenses (SHUUGAKU ENJO SEIDO).

Nishitokyo City has a financial support program to subsidize fully for the school lunch fee or school supplies.

Before entering school, consult the Education Planning Section of Education Division under the Nishitokyo City Education Committee.

After entering school, consult your child's homeroom teacher.

### **4**Support to Enhance Japanese Language Ability of your Child

#### Japanese Lessons

Your child can take Japanese lessons by a teacher of Japanese in the school for a certain period.

Please consult with the school when you first meet with them.

#### Children's Japanese Lesson Classes

NPO NIMIC provides children, who are in need of more Japanese language ability to cope with school, with necessary Japanese language learning programs.

Please consult NIMIC – phone 042-461-0381.

### **⑤**Support to Enhance YOUR Japanese Language Ability

If you do not understand well the information paper on Japanese lessons, please consult with NIMIC and inquire for Japanese lessons for adults.

There are many Japanese classes, run by volunteers, in Nishitokyo City.

You can download the following link for further information.

http://www.nimic.jp/download/japaneseclass.pdf

You can contact the following organizations for further information:

NIMIC, phone 042-461-0381, available on Mon – Fri, 10 am to 12 pm / 1 pm to 4 pm

The following class has a day care service for small children:

Yagisawa Community Center (YAGISAWA KOUMINKAN); phone 042-464-8211

### **6**Consultation on Education by Clinical Psychotherapist

Where: You can consult a psychotherapist outside the school.

Please contact Education Counseling Center of Nishitokyo City, phone 042-438-4077.

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