

# What kind of place is the Multicultural Kids' Salon?

The Multicultural Kids' Salon is operated by the Nishitokyo Multicultural and International Center (NIMIC) under consignment from the municipal government. It is a friendly haven in the community where children living or studying in Nishitokyo and their parents can drop by with ease of mind. The main Multicultural Kids' Salon is at Hibarigaoka Junior High School, and there are satellite salons at three elementary schools in the city.

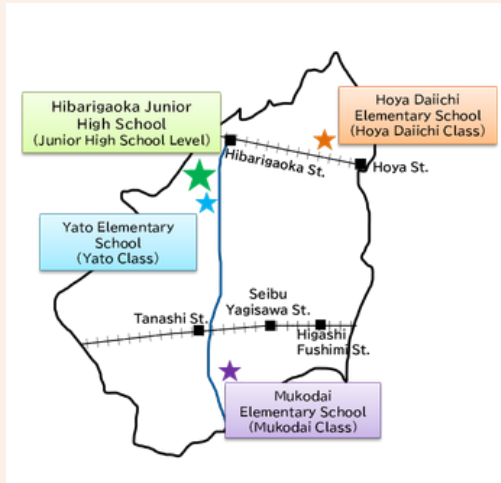
The Multicultural Kids' Salon has three functions: the study of Japanese and other subjects, counseling about worries and other problems, and exchange with local people and others in the same situation. The salon's objective is to provide integrated support in the community so that those gathering there can live in a manner befitting themselves in connection with many other people.

## Background

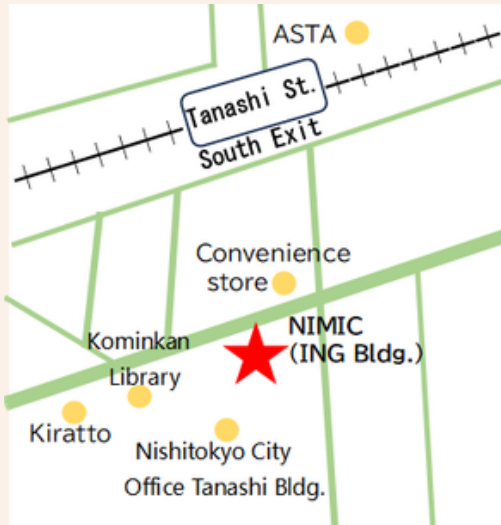
The NIMIC Japanese Language Class for Kids started in 2007, centered on instructors who had completed a volunteer training course in study support for children whose native language is not Japanese, organized jointly by Nishitokyo City and NIMIC.

As a project of Nishitokyo City, this class was reborn in April 2024 as the Multicultural Kids' Salon operated by NIMIC. The salon provides Japanese language instruction so that children with personal links to foreign countries can master Japanese language for daily life and study and thereby adapt to school life.

Multicultural Kids' Salon (Japanese Language Class for Kids locations)



Consultations are also accepted by NIMIC. If required, please contact the following:



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## Nishitokyo City Multicultural Kids' Salon

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# Study

- Japanese language study
- School lesson review and homework support
- Support for senior high school entrance exam response; supplementary study during long holidays
- Study of Japanese customs and culture

## Multicultural Kids' Salon

Established by the Japanese Language Class for Kids (Junior High School Level)



### Hibarigaoka Junior High School

(Junior High School Level)  
Every Thursday 17:30–19:00

## Satellite Salons

The Japanese Language Class for Kids (Elementary School Level) is available at three elementary schools in the city.



### Hoya Daiichi Elementary School

(Hoya Daiichi Class)  
Every Tuesday 15:30–17:00

### Yato Elementary School

(Yato Class)  
Every Wednesday 15:15–16:45

### Mukodai Elementary School

(Mukodai Class)  
Every Thursday 15:30–17:00



Card playing  
(Hoya Daiichi Class)

The Japanese Language Class for Kids is for elementary and junior high school children whose native language is not Japanese. Even if they can speak Japanese to an extent, their Japanese language ability may not be sufficient to fully understand lessons at school. In such cases, they may sometimes be misunderstood as having a poor attitude toward study. Trouble may also arise with friends because they are unable to convey or understand the finer nuances of words. Support is provided so that such children can master the Japanese language and enjoy a fulfilling school life.

# Consultations

Children whose native language is not Japanese and their parents, do you have anything that is troubling you?

You can consult with Multicultural Kids' Salon coordinators and staff who have a wealth of experience and knowledge about assisting non-Japanese. They will provide support toward the solution of your concerns, in collaboration and coordination with related organizations if necessary.



consultations



※Consultations are also accepted from school-related staff and other organizations.

# Exchange

Exchange among children whose native language is not Japanese; exchange with seniors and the local community; excursions during summer and spring school holidays; etc.

The Multicultural Kids' Salon organizes seasonal events to give children and students who have little opportunity to speak together in their weekly Japanese language classes the chance to get to know one another and become friends.

Volunteers from NIMIC's Youth Club (young people aged 16–24 years) come to parties and enjoy games that they plan beforehand together with the children.

In March sixth-grade children attending the elementary-school-level classes have an exchange meeting with students in the junior-high-level class so that they can quickly become accustomed to junior high school life. Importance is placed on links between the elementary school and junior high school levels.

During the summer and spring school holidays excursions are organized to such places as the Tachikawa Life Safety Learning Center, Koganei Park, the Tamarokuto Science Center, and the museums and art galleries in Ueno.



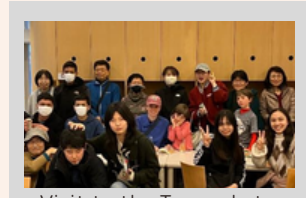
Party (Yato Class)



Closing ceremony and farewell party (Mukodai Class)



Exchange meeting (elementary school and junior high school levels)



Visit to the Tamarokuto Science Center (junior high school level)