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今年の桜はいつもの年より早く咲きましたね。今月はディヴィッジの投稿から。日本で初めての春を体験してとても楽しんでいるようですね(^_^) 英文は難しくないのでチャレンジで読破してね!

Hello everyone! :)

Hope you are all enjoying the beautiful spring season as much as I am! This is my first spring in Japan and it is absolutely amazing at the moment because of the great weather and the wonderful colours you see everyday! :)

☺ :)は、顔文字で大喜びを表す

I want to share with you about a road-trip I went to recently during the spring holidays. I went to Nikko in Tochigi prefecture with three other friends! I was very excited about going to Nikko because many people had recommended me to go there for the abundant nature, really nice shrines and delicious food.



いいね!

▲中禅寺湖をバックに



We drove to Nikko on Friday morning from Shiroishi. It took us around 3 hours to drive on the expressway. I really enjoy driving so it was very fun, especially when you have friends in the car so you can talk about many fun things and also listen to many songs! Also the scenery was really pretty. We saw many mountain views and beautiful sakura trees along the way.

In Nikko, we went to many famous attractions including Toshogu Shrine, Kegon Waterfall and Lake Chuzenji. If you get a chance, please definitely visit these places as they are great. My favourite attraction of the trip however was a special mountain road called Irohazaka. It has many sharp bends and was very fun to drive. I think this place would be really nice during the autumn season too.

On our last day, before returning back home to Shiroishi, we stopped at Utsunomiya. This city is very famous for gyoza, so we lined up at one of the most recommended restaurant called Minmin and waited for more than 1 hour! It was very delicious! In Utsunomiya there was also a lot of sakura trees in full bloom, so we went to Hachimanyama Park which had lots of people enjoying hanami and tasty food!

I think I am going to miss Japan a lot once I go back to Australia, because so far I have loved every single month I have been here! Each season is so beautiful and unique, and there are many fun things to explore all the time!!

Enjoy spring and talk to you all soon!

Cheers

Divij ディヴィッジ

編集室〜ディヴィッジは自分が体験したことをみなさんにお話ししたくてたまらないのです! (嬉しいね!) この夏オーストラリアへ帰ってしまうディヴィッジ…。あと残り数ヶ月、日本の季節をエンジョイしてね。旅は続くよお〜



▲この坂の運転、楽しかったよ!

紅葉の時期も綺麗だろうな。



▲@宇都宮みんみん〜。焼き餃子、水餃子、揚げ餃子〜!(^_^)!



Hello everyone!

Congratulations again to all the new students entering the elementary, junior, and senior high schools! I am so proud of all of you and wish you the best memories and experiences! This week I am very excited to welcome my parents to Japan for the week. So far, we have toured Kyoto, Tokyo, Hiroshima, and will be making our way to Nara and Shiroishi later this week! My parents really enjoyed Kiyomizu-dera, and the owl café in Harajuku. We are looking forward to stopping by Shiroishi and taking some calligraphy lessons soon.

All the best!

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フランシスは、ご両親が来日して一緒に旅行を楽しんだようですね～白石にも立ち寄ってくれたのかな？みなさん、フランシスに会ったら聞いてみてね！(^)!



Hi everyone!

Did you enjoy the cherry blossom season?

My first “hanami” was on a rainy day. But since then, I’ve had some great hanami parties! It’s always fun to gather with friends and cheer to the spring.

Japanese people say they love their four seasons. Certainly! But what a surprise the first time I heard talking about Japan as the only place that has four seasons! One day someone asked me how many seasons there are in my country, showing “two” with fingers. He was confused when I answered that France and many other countries have four seasons, too.

Why so? I hear it’s a kind of romanticism ingrained in a lot of Japanese people.

What do you think?

Florence フローレンス

フローレンスはお花見と四季について書いています。

初お花見は、雨だったみたい(◡_◡)

四季については、ちょっとびっくりしたことがあったようですよ。何だろう？みなさんのお気に入りのお花見の場所はどこですか？



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