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3月は「さよなら」を言う季節。親しい人との別れは寂しいけれど、別れの後は新たな旅立ち・出会いが待っています。今月号は、3人のALTから、卒業生に向けてのメッセージを贈ります。

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This is especially for my amazing 3rd graders in Shiroishi JHS and Minami JHS:

Very soon, you will graduate and enter a new stage of life. I am very proud to have met and taught you all. We have laughed together, played together and enjoyed English together.

With my short time being here in Shiroishi, you all have made a great impression on me. The hospitality (おもてなし) I have received from you all is touching. Thank you very much for being so friendly and helpful, and teaching me a lot about the unique Japanese culture.

Recently, watching the Sochi Winter Olympics makes me think about 2020's Tokyo Olympics in 6 years. You will be around 21 years old in 2020. Japan's future will be in your hands. You will be able to make an impact on how foreigners think about Japan with your hospitality. (Especially with the soccer games being held right here in Miyagi!) So please continue to work hard in English - it is ultimately the world's second most spoken language! Please show them how amazing Japan is - just like how you have showed me!

I have faith in you all. I will miss you. All the best!

By Sarah Lam セーラ・ラム

白石中・南中・第二小・大平小・越河小・斎川小

★ヒント★ *JHS: junior high school *impression: 印象 *amazing: すばらしい *being held: 行われる
*ultimately: 最後には *faith: 信心

日本の未来は、
あなたたちの手に
あります。

日本がどんなに
素晴らしいか、
見せてやみましょう。



Hi! The end of the school year is coming soon! So fast, but I have so many memories I can't say all now. I was glad to teach to my students for another year in the same schools. Among the best memories is the school festival in Fukuoka J.H.S.. The students showed other faces and talents than in classes. With a special note for the final dance of the 3rd graders! The "Ongaku Sai" played at the Cube was great, too. All the students did really well! It was not always easy, but mostly I had wonderful times with all the children. I want to thank them for trying their best, showing me various personalities, and their smiles. I was there for teaching, but I also learned a lot through classes together. And thank you to the teachers who, although very busy, did their possible to make our classes enjoyable to the children.

... And to the graduating students: good luck!

By Florence Ohno 大野フローレンス

★ヒント★

福岡中・小原中・第一小・福岡小・小原小

*talent: 才能 *various: 様々な *although: だけれども

授業中には見せないみんなの顔が忘れられないです・・・😊

Hello everyone! We had a big snowstorm, but winter is almost over. Soon many students will graduate. Some will graduate from elementary school; some from junior high school. I want to give them some advice.

"Character is like a tree and reputation like a shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing." Abraham Lincoln said this quote. Maybe you learned his name in history class. He was the sixteenth president of the United States.

Lincoln was a good man and a good president. He helped to free the slaves in America. Amazingly, he did not go to school. He studied by himself! He worked many small jobs, but he studied hard and became a lawyer and then president.

He was an honest man. He did not lie because he wanted to help people. Do not be petty, be like Abe: work hard and always improve yourself.

By Max Darlington マックス・ダーリントン

東中・白川中・大鷹沢小・白川小

★ヒント★ *reputation: 世評 *Abraham Lincoln: アブラハム・リンカーン (第 16 代アメリカの大統領) *quote: 引用文

*amazingly: 驚くことに、素晴らしいことに *slave: 奴隷 *not be petty: 小さなことにこだわるな *improve: 進歩させる

*Abe: エイブ 男性名 Abraham の愛称

編集後記・・・

今年の卒業生(中学3年生)は小学校の卒業式を行えませんでした。中学の卒業式が素晴らしいものとなることを願っています。😊

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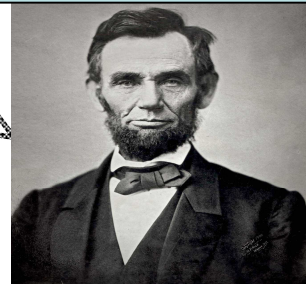


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世評という「影」など気にせずに、
ただ真っすぐに「樹木」のように成長してい
ければいいのだ。

A・リンカーン



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