



At the PTA General Meeting that took place on April 24, at the school's sports gym, the following subjects were presented and approved:

- (1) Explanation about the accounting and activities carried out in 2020
- (2) Proposed amendment to the PTA regulation.
- (3) Proposal of activities and financial plan
- (4) Selection of the PTA 2021 board team

Usually, the General Meeting is held only in Japanese and at the same time the guidance for foreign parents about the school's special materials and programs is given in another room.

Thus, as foreign parents do not participate in the decisions taken at the General Meeting, this year it was explained in Portuguese and in English about the translated material.

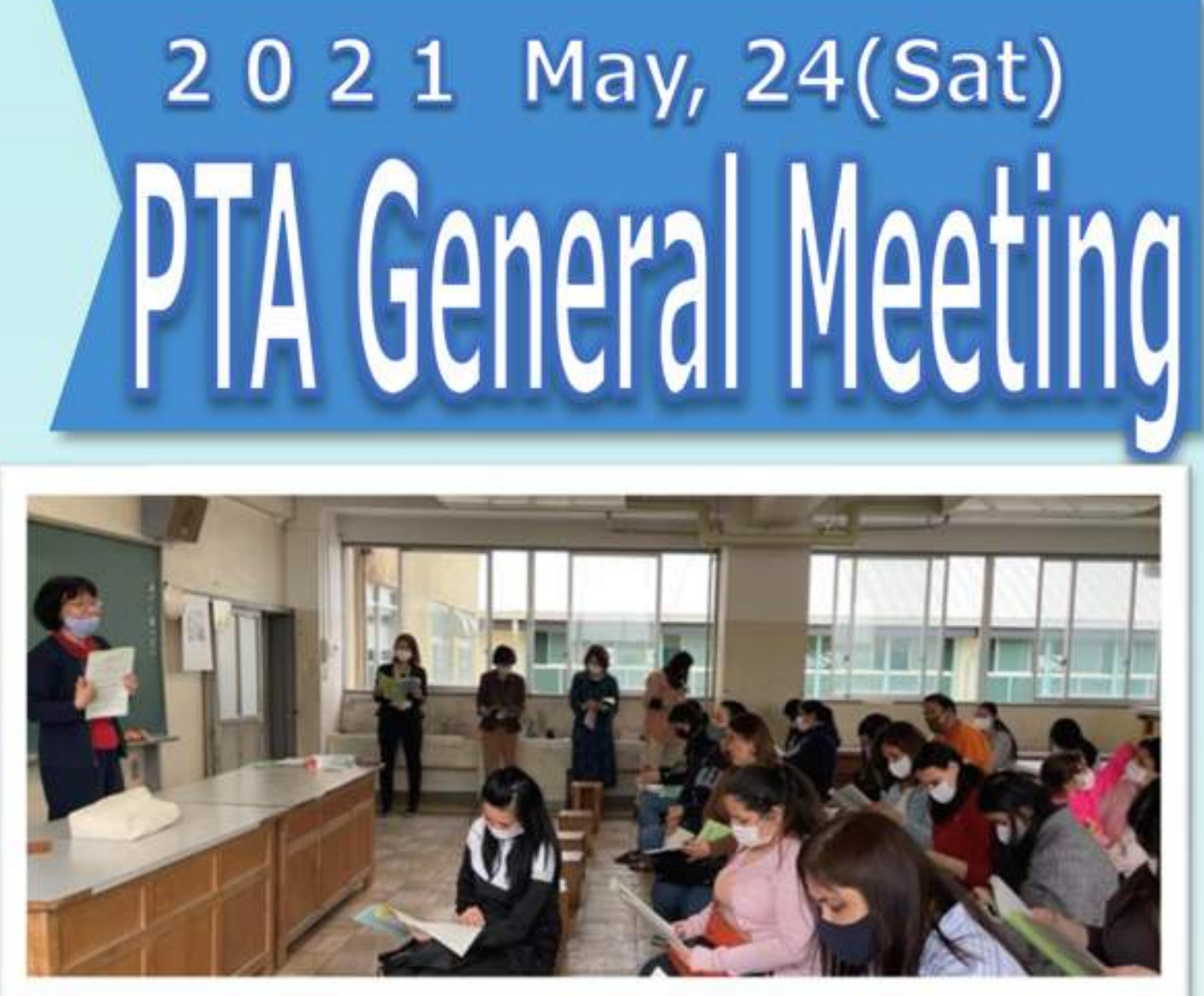


GREETING OF THE NEW PRESIDENT

TORII KIYOSHI

I will be working this school year as president of the PTA. The motto I put in this year was: "Help whoever can, when it can and what can". I would like to show to the parents and children "wow, helping PTA looks cool!".

When we participate in the PTA activities, we have more opportunities to talk with the school's teachers, where we can deepen the relationship. We know that we'll not be perfect, but I count on the participation and everyone's opinions! YOROSHIKU ONEGAISHIMASU!



♪ SALE OF USED UNIFORMS ♪

Before the General meeting, we sold the used materials and uniforms. Since 2019, we no longer have the bazaar to raise the PTA fund, so this is the program that sustains our income.

The open sale takes place twice a year, but if you want to buy during the year, you can look for one of the teachers of KOKUSAI room.

The income this time was 38,400 yen. Thanks for donating!

The next donation campaign will be in June and the sale will be in September.

Pearson in charge for the sale: Mrs. Arai



NEW PTA BOARD MEMBERS

President:	Mr. Torii
Vice president:	Mr. Asakura, Mr. Tokai and Mrs. Watanabe
Assistant of Vice:	Mrs. Suzuki
Documentation:	Mrs. Arai, Mrs. Kawamura, Mrs. Takizawa, Mrs. Morita
Accounting:	Mrs. Yamazaki
Audit:	Mr. Fujiwara and Mrs. Yoshida



We count on your participation!



Did you know that we have 12 collection points throughout the school area? At each point, PTA members help the collection. We thank everyone who brought the materials. The income from this program will also be used for children's educational activities.

Apart from this campaign, you can bring the recyclables whenever you want at the time the school is open.

Special thanks to the students of the YAMABIKO class who took the school's recyclables to the door of the building for the truck to pick up. (Person in charge for collection: Mrs. Morita)



◀ We even put the materials in the garbage truck. It is a spectacular experience! I was very excited!



▲ We give the letter of thanks to the students of the YAMABIKO class.



▲ PTA-KOKUSAI group helped put the posters on Iwata Danchi. There were almost 80 posters!

☆☆COMMENTS FROM THE PARTICIPANTS☆☆☆

- ☆ I was happy because it was not only the parents of the school but the residents of the neighborhood also brought the materials.
- ☆ In my group there was not much collection as there was collection from the neighborhood association recently. It was a pity.
- ☆ The collection car said that they doesn't accept the newspaper mixed with advertisements. I think it's good to put the details on the school letter.
- ☆ It was great to receive help from volunteer.
- ※ Comments placed on the questionnaire.
- ※ Comments will be reflected in the other collections. Thanks!

DID YOU KNOW...



In advantage of our recyclables collection, we met the paper collection company (YAMAZI Co.). Many people use plastic yarn to tie up newspapers, magazines to the collection. So, this is the machine to cut the yarns. Everyday dozens of tons of paper arrive at YAMAZI Co. The machine cuts and removes the yarns, and presses on a block of 1 ton to be sold at the paper recycling plant. In Japan, paper collection systems are well rooted in society, which cooperates in the recycling system. DON'T THROW THE PAPERS! Put them in the recycling to become new paper! Special thanks to YAMAZI Co.!

INTERVIEW WITH YAGI NEW TEACHER



We know our child's teacher, don't we? Perhaps we also know the principal and vice principal.

But what kind of position is the school affairs supervisor teacher? (in Japanese, KŌMU-SHUNIN) or academic affairs supervisor? (in Japanese, KYŌMU-SHUNIN).

Let's get to know what they do? What is the difference from other teachers?

So, for this edition, we interviewed Yagi Sensei, the supervisor academic affairs.



TORII (T): So, explain your work to us.

Yagi Sensei (Y): I was transferred from the Isobe Elementary School. The academic affairs supervisor's job is to coordinate the events and all the school's academic programs in general. Other than that, I help math class.

T: What do you take care most as a supervisor of academic affairs?

Y: In terms of studying, I always worry the children's learning foundation. Our school is a school that has many transfer students in and out. In this environment, it may happen that students are unable to adapt well at new environment without even being interested in their studies. I believe that when children start to understand classes, school life also becomes interesting and fun.

T: Iwata is a large school that has many students from foreign countries. I feel that it offers various types of support to these students. You have already spent one month at this school. How do you feel about Iwata Elementary School and the children?

Y: Firstly, the children are very enthusiastic! And they greet the teachers well. As it is a school that has many transfers student in and out, it

seems that children are used to receiving new people, showing high socialization. I find that very beautiful.

T: How were you when you were a child?

Y: I liked Animes like "Gundam" and others. Also, when I grow up, I wanted to rent a bus to travel and loved to play with colleagues.

T: What is your favorite subject?

Y: Social studies (Shakai) because I liked history.

T: What do you do in your leisure time?

Y: Go to the movies, walk in the parks with my kids. I want to travel after this pandemic is controlled.

T: What is your motto in life?

Y: "If you give up, then the game is over". I believe that if I don't give up, dreams become realities.

T: Please give a message to the parents and students.

Y: For students, I want you to value the consideration for others. Nowadays, we can connect via the internet with many people, but I hope to give the importance of direct contact with people. I always think that I am part of the "child support team" together with the parents.

NOTE: we only remove the mask when took a picture.