24th August, 2010

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As part of your child’s study of Japanese language and culture this year, Blakehurst High School will be organising a “Japanese Day” at the high school for both Connells Point Public School and Carlton South Public School on Wednesday, 8th September, 2010.

The event will run for approximately three hours, with classes being assigned either a morning or an afternoon session. Students will be transported by bus to and from the event and will be accompanied by their classroom teachers.

There will be three events that class groups will cycle through and one combined event for both schools:

1. **Sumo Wrestling:**
   Students will take turns in pairs to wear padded sumo suits and helmets to create their own sumo wrestling match inside a protective padded ring. Staff and attendants will be on hand to assist students in and out of the suits and to monitor this event.

2. **Cooking – Fun with Onigiri (Rice balls)**
   Students will be able to create their own rice balls by moulding them into funny shapes and decorating them before eating them for lunch. **Ingredients are: rice, roasted seaweed, furikake (salt, bonito flakes, sesame seeds), tuna, mayonnaise, corn and peas.** Ingredients are all prepared and served separately. To make onigiri, apart from rice, all other ingredients are optional. **Please specify any food allergies or dietary requirements in the permission slip and return to your child’s classroom teacher.**

3. **Dancing – Odorimashou! Let’s Dance!**
   Students will learn how to say “left, right, up, down” and more through fun dance moves and song.

   **Combined Event – Taiko Drums Workshop**
   Students will learn about Japanese taiko drumming through a hands-on workshop.

Please return the permission slip on the following page with any food allergies and/or dietary requirements that your child may have by Friday, 3rd September, 2010.

Regards,

Miss K. Ha Japanese Teacher

Mrs H. Green and Mr G. Shirley

Japanese Teacher

Classroom Teachers
RETURN TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER BY FRIDAY MORNING 3 September 2010.

Does your child have any food allergies/special dietary requirements?  YES / NO

If you circled “YES” please specify:

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I give permission for my daughter/son __________________________ (name of student) in __________ (class) to attend the Japanese Day at Blakehurst High School on Wednesday 8th September, 2010 and have provided information related to any allergies/dietary requirements that they may have. I understand my child will travel by bus and there are no costs involved in the day.

Signed: ________________________ (Parent/Caregiver’s Signature)