



Koshigaya Messenger

Koshigaya Messenger contains useful information for life in Koshigaya and is released every 1st week of the month.

FOR INQUIRIES: Community Activity Support Section
(SHIMIN KATSUDO SHIEN KA), ☎048-963-9114
Koshigaya City Hall, Main Building - 3F



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CONSULTATION SERVICES FOR FOREIGN RESIDENTS (FREE)

- ✓Koshigaya City Hall Main Building 3rd floor
9:00-am - 4:30pm, Monday to Friday
- ✓Community Activity Support Center
10:00am - 4:30pm, Everyday
- Visa-Related Consultation (every 3rd Wednesday)
- Legal Consultation (every 4th Wednesday)

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS CORNER

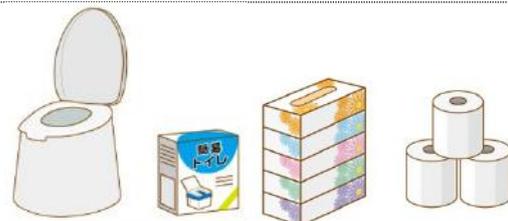
PREPARING YOUR HOME AS A SHELTER FOR EMERGENCY

In case of a disaster, it would be more comfortable to stay in our own house rather than staying at a shelter with strangers. Thus, it is important to be well prepared so that you will be able to stay at your own house even in emergency situations.

What to prepare:



Emergency food and water



Portable toilet and sanitary products that can be used when water isn't available



Emergency light and portable stove, etc.



Tools for getting information (Cellphone apps, Radio, TV, etc.)

FOR INQUIRIES: Crisis and Management Office (KIKI KANRI SHITSU), ☎048-963-9285
City Hall Main Building - 3F

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE NOTIFICATION

Notifications for the National Health Insurance (NHI) enrollment and withdrawal of membership must be processed within 2 weeks regardless of whether you have a *Myna* Insurance Card.

NOTIFICATION	WHO SHOULD NOTIFY	WHAT TO PREPARE
Enrollment or Joining the NHI	Those who have lost their membership to the employee's health insurance (EHI) or <i>shakai hoken</i> for reasons of resignation or leaving the company	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Proof that you have lost your eligibility for the EHI (such as certificate of resignation/retirement, etc.) ✓ My Number Card/Notification ✓ Residence Card
Withdrawal of NHI membership	Those who joined or become members of the employee's health insurance or <i>shakai hoken</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ New health insurance (eligibility) card ✓ Old NHI eligibility card ✓ My Number Card/Notification ✓ Residence Card

*Notifications may be submitted by postal mail. For inquiries, ask the office in charge.

FOR INQUIRIES: National Health Insurance and Pension Section (KOKUHO NENKIN KA)

☎048-963-9146 / City Hall Building 2 - 1F

TAX PAYMENT & CONSULTATION OUTSIDE BUSINESS HOURS

WHERE: Tax Collection Section, Koshigaya City Hall Main Building 2nd Floor

HOW: You may call or directly visit the office during the schedule

SCHEDULE	SERVICES
March 19, Thursday 5:15pm - 8:00pm	Tax related consultation *Payment counters will be closed on this day
April 5, Sunday 9:00am - 3:00pm	Tax payment and consultation related to residence tax (city/prefectural tax or JUMINZEI) Tax payment and consultation related to the National Health Insurance (NHI) tax

FOR INQUIRIES: Tax Collection Section (SHUNO KA), ☎048-963-9142

COUPONS TO SUPPORT THE RISING OF PRICES

As part of the initiative to deal with the rising prices, Koshigaya City will distribute coupons to all residents (registered as of March 1) in Koshigaya that can be used at stores and shops participating in this project. Notifications on this will be distributed from the end of April.

TARGET: Residents of Koshigaya as of March 1

Tax-exempt households (for 2025 residence tax)

HOW MUCH: ¥3,000 per person,

plus ¥5,000 (per household) for residence tax exempt households

HOW TO USE THE COUPON:

Scan the coupon with your smartphone or use it directly at shops or stores in Koshigaya that participated in this project.

FOR INQUIRIES: ☎048-963-9335 (Call Center)

Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 5:15pm

~Tomoni Aruko~



Illustrated by Saiinji-san

Hello, my name is Pham. I'm currently working in Koshigaya as CIR. In this month's "Tomoni Aruko", I would like to share about the Vietnamese lunar new year, commonly known as Tet. Just recently, I had the opportunity to experience the atmosphere of Tet at Nanwa-ji temple in Koshigaya City.

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One of the most significant traditional events in Vietnam is the Vietnamese Lunar New Year celebration which falls between late January and mid-February. And it is commonly known as "Tet". Traditional Tet celebrations are held at Nanwa-ji temple during this period. This has become a place for the Vietnamese community in Japan and for friends from all over the world to gather and experience Vietnamese Tet while in Japan. On the morning of the celebration as I approached Nanwa-ji temple, I saw many Vietnamese people, and as I entered the temple grounds, the feeling of as if I had returned to Vietnam grew stronger. In the altar, I could see plum and peach blossoms, which are special flowers offered to Buddha during Tet celebrations.

I could also see lanterns, carrying poles, hanging scrolls, and many small items and tools that strongly represent the Vietnamese culture and recreating the scene of Tet even in Japan. Many families with their friends came to the event. Some even wore the traditional Vietnamese attire, Ao Dai to the ceremony.

After praying for a year full of happiness, peace and good fortune, the participants took some commemorative photos and also enjoyed dances and presentations to celebrate spring. What impressed me the most were the firecrackers and the lion dance performance. It was a familiar scene that brought back memories of my childhood. At the end of the ceremony, I enjoyed the delicious Vietnamese vegetarian vermicelli that were distributed for free. The Tet celebration at Nanwa-ji temple in Koshigaya is held every year. Take this opportunity to experience the atmosphere of the Vietnamese new year.



JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASSES CALENDAR – MARCH 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4 ☆Nihongo Circle ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon	5	6 ☆Nihongo de Go! (Coop Plaza Koshigaya)	7 ☆Lingual Koshigaya ☆Kosumo Kodomo Kyoshitsu ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon Sengendai ☆Tabunka Kodomo Gakushu Juku	
8	9	10	11 ☆Nihongo Circle ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon	12	13 ☆Nihongo de Go! (Minami Koshigaya Community Center)	14 ☆Lingual Koshigaya ☆Kosumo Kodomo Kyoshitsu ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon Sengendai	
15	16	17	18 ☆Nihongo Circle ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon	19	20 Vernal Equinox Day	21 ☆Lingual Koshigaya ☆Kosumo Kodomo Kyoshitsu ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon Sengendai ☆Tabunka Kodomo Gakushu Juku	
22	23	24	25 ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon	26	27 ☆Nihongo de Go! (Minami Koshigaya Community Center)	28 ☆Lingual Koshigaya ☆Kosumo Kodomo Kyoshitsu ☆Kosumo Nihongo Salon Sengendai	
29	30	31	<p style="color: red; margin: 0;">*Refer to this calendar for the group/organization that has classes/schedule during the month.</p>				

GROUP/ORGANIZATION	WHEN	WHERE / VENUE
NIHONGO CIRCLE 【¥100 PER LESSON】 <small>*Childcare services: ¥100 (reservation needed)</small>	<u>Wednesday</u> 10:00am to 12:00noon	WHERE: Central Community Center 4F/5F (ADDRESS: Koshigaya 4-1-1) STATION: Koshigaya Station East Exit (7-min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎048-974-5642 (SHIRATA-SAN)
KOSUMO NIHONGO SALON 【¥100 PER LESSON】	<u>Wednesday</u> 7:00pm to 8:30pm	WHERE: Community Activity Support Center (ADDRESS: Yayoico 16-1 Koshigaya Twin City B-City 5F) STATION: Koshigaya Station East Exit (1-min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎090-5347-2041 (KOJIMA-SAN)
NIHONGO DE GO! 【¥100 PER LESSON】	<u>Friday</u> 1:30pm to 3:30pm	(1) WHERE: Coop Plaza Koshigaya (ADRES: Minami Koshigaya 5-4-37) (2) WHERE: Minami Koshigaya Community Center – Palette (ADDRESS: Minami Koshigaya 4-21-1) STATION: Shin Koshigaya Station West Exit (5-6 min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎090-5574-7070 (TAKAYAMA-SAN)
LINGUAL KOSHIGAYA【¥0】	<u>Saturday</u> 10:00am to 12:00noon	WHERE: Central Community Center 4F/5F (ADDRESS: Koshigaya 4-1-1) STATION: Koshigaya Station East Exit (7-min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎080-3478-3314 (SUZUKI-SAN)
TABUNKA KODOMO GAKUSHU JUKU【¥0】	<u>Saturday (1st & 3rd)</u> 1:30pm to 3:30pm	WHERE: Community Activity Support Center (ADDRESS: Yayoicho 16-1 Koshigaya twin City B-City 5F) STATION: Koshigaya Station East Exit (1-min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎090-7422-2002 (OGAWA-SAN)
KOSUMO KODOMO KYOSHITSU & KOSUMO NIHONGO SALON SENGENDAI 【¥0】	<u>Saturday</u> 1:30pm to 3:30pm	WHERE: Resona Youth Base, Saitama Resona Sengendai Branch 3F (ADDRESS: Koshigaya-shi Sengendai 1-5-17) STATION: Sengendai Station West Exit (3-min. walk) FOR INQUIRIES: ☎090-8310-9522 (IN CHARGE)

