



National holidays in Japan in October and November

• **Taiiku no hi (Health-Sports Day / National Sports Day)**
Second Monday of October

Health- Sports day was designated in 1966 to commemorate the opening day of the Tokyo Olympics held on October 10th 1964. Its purpose is to promote health and well-being through sports.

In the year 2000, the government changed this holiday to the second Monday of October. This year October 10th is Health-Sports day.



• **Bunka no hi (Culture Day) November 3rd**

Culture Day was designated in 1948 to commemorate the announcement of the Constitution of Japan on November 3rd 1946.

Many cultural events are held throughout Japan during the period around Culture Day.



• **Kinro kansya no hi (Labor Thanksgiving Day)**
November 23rd

Labor Thanksgiving Day was designated in 1948. The holiday is to commemorate labor and production and give others thanks. It originates from Niiname-sai (Harvest Festival). In the ritual, the Emperor makes the season's first offering of freshly harvested rice to the gods.

Mito City International Association (MCIA)

Tuesday-Sunday, 9am-9pm

(Closed : Mondays, **Oct 11, Nov 3,23**)

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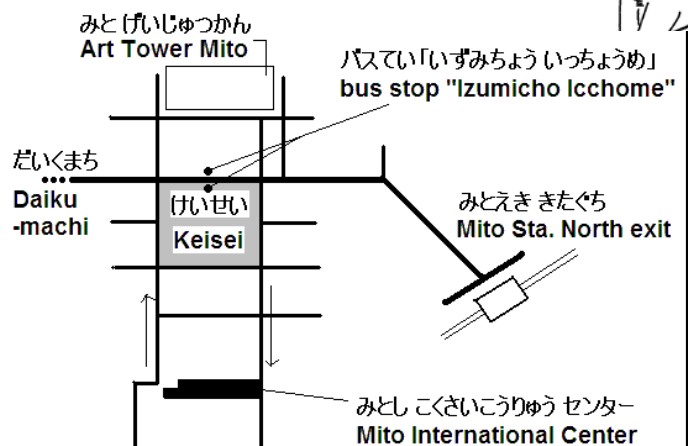
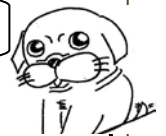
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Culture Pot MITO

In the title "Culture Pot MITO," Mito city is likened to a pot stuffed with various cultures which resembles a multicultural city loved by every citizen. We are hoping that this newsletter will be useful in your daily life and that you will feel more attached to Mito City in the near future.

▼ Photo: Saturday Salon Tea Party on 10th September at Mito International Center 【Theme "India"】



Petit Japanese



「Expressions of asking on Train and Bus」



Densya

【電車/Train】 • この電車は、～駅まで行きますか? Does this bus go to ~station?

Kippuwa ikura Desuka

• 切符はいくらですか? How much is the ticket?



Kippuwa dokode kaemasuka Kippuno kaikatawo oshiete kudasai
 • 切符はどこで買えますか? / 切符の買い方を教えてください。

Where can I buy the ticket? / Please tell me how to buy the ticket.



Basu

【バス/Bus】 • バス乗り場はどこですか? / Where is the bus terminal?

Kono buswa made ikimasuka

• このバスは～まで行きますか? / Does this bus go to ~?

Ryokinwa ikuradesuka Itsu okanewo haraeba i idesuka

• 料金はいくらですか? / いつお金を払えばいいですか?

• How much is this fare? / When should I pay the fare?

