

Kei-Sho Chronicle –

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A New Term

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Long time, no see everyone! How were your summer holidays?

I took the chance to go back home to Australia for a couple days. This year summer in Japan was very hot, so it was nice to experience winter in Australia. I hope you are ready for term 2!

Start of Term 2:

School is back at Kei-Sho! With our opening ceremony on September 2nd, classes resumed after the 1-month summer break. Days were still very hot, and even some of our teachers (me included) found it difficult to start teaching again. But through the combined effort of our teachers and students, we have now reached the end of the first month of Term 2. September is a quiet month at Kei-Sho, but there is a lot of preparation being done. In October we will have our Sports Day and Keika Festival, so students and teachers are quietly preparing for these events.

A New JET:

But there is something else new at Kei-Sho in term 2. We have a new JET teacher. His name is Brendan, and he came from Australia, just like me. Let's see what he has to say.

-Llew

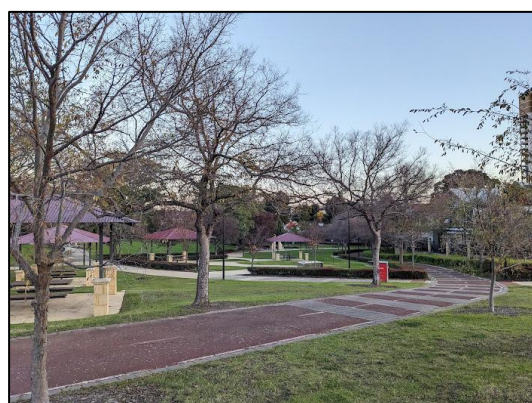
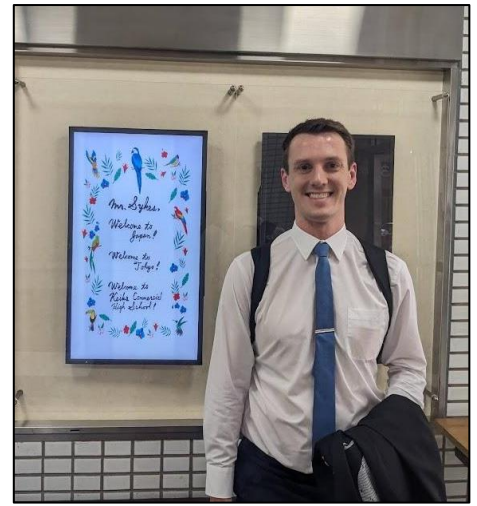
Hi everyone! My name is Brendan. As you might know, I am the new Assistant Language Teacher at Kei-Sho. I have really enjoyed meeting everyone in the various classes.

It's been two months since I arrived in Tokyo from my home in Perth, Australia. Life here is a bit different, but I have gradually got used to it. I even had time to do some travelling to places such as Karuizawa and Mount Mitake!

Before coming to Japan, I lived in a suburb called 'Subiaco', which is about a 10-minute train ride from the centre of Perth. Even though it's close to the city, you can see that it's a very green area with lots of parks and open space, so it was a nice place to live.

Australians love coffee, so Subiaco's main shopping street has lots of cafés! On my days off, I would often walk to my favourite café to have a coffee, and perhaps a muffin or biscuit too. Do you have a favourite shop in your neighbourhood?

- Brendan



The AFL Grand Final:

While I am writing this, one of Australia's biggest sporting events is about to take place: The Grand Final game of the Australian Football League (AFL). The Sydney Swans and the Brisbane Lions will play to decide who will be named the champions for this year.



Australian rules football, or 'Aussie rules', is similar to rugby, but it is played on an oval-shaped field and the players kick the ball more often. Just like in Japan, Australians love to watch sports and can be very passionate about their team!

- Brendan



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This brings us to the end of another month at Kei-Sho and another issue of the Kei-Sho Chronicle. I hope that everyone has funs with the many events that are planned throughout Term 2.

-Llew

