

## **Luncheon time with Ms. Emily**

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Hi there. Now, I would like to introduce our activity during the spring vacation. We, the international exchange club, held a meeting with Ms. Emily, who is currently working at Kure City Office. Ms. Emily was born in China and has spent several years in Canada.

Amazingly, she can speak three languages English, Chinese, Japanese. We discussed with Ms. Emily about the differences between Japanese and foreign cultures once a week during spring vacation.

We learned a lot from Ms. Emily. For example, we have learned that school grades are different between Japan and Canada.

In Japan, as you all know, it's a 6-3-3 year system. But, in Canada, grades are consistently counted from grade 1 to grade 12 for elementary, middle, and high schools. For example, British Columbia (B.C.) has a 7-5 system for elementary, middle, and high schools, Alberta has a 6-3-3 system, and Quebec has a 6-5 system.

In addition, we discussed from various perspectives such as culture, food, and sightseeing spots. Especially, I was interested in skate in Canada. Children live in Canada learn skate as P.E. in school. She said skating is common in Canada and we can skate at frozen river in winter.

Through this exchange meeting, I realized that different climates and regions make a difference in people's thinking, feeling and activities. In my opinion, I want to know the differences and respect it. Maybe if every people can accept that, we might call it individuality.

Lastly, I would love to tell you one thing. After this activity, I can grow up more. If you're reading something and feel something, no one will stop doing it. Let's keep trying!  
Keep challenging what you want to do with me. Thank you all for reading to the end.