# **GLOBAL CAFE NEWSLETTER**

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### Welcome to the Global Cafe!

Welcome to the latest edition of the Global Cafe Newsletter! As always, we have a lot to report on in terms of events and activities that took place at the cafe over the last few months.

This semester, the Global Cafe started to see some trends toward a return to normal usage, as COVID policies have begun to allow more international travel and interpersonal interaction.

Events included a focus on Malaysia and Taiwan, led by international students, and a focus on India. Moreover, students took the lead in organizing events this semester, and were responsible for the highly successful Halloween Party and End of the Year Holiday Meetup. Students created pinatas and did group trivia contests for each of these events.

This semester, we also hosted the English Presentation Contest and the English Haiku Contest. The theme of the Presentation Contest was "Learning Foreign Languages: Becoming Global Citizens."

Classes for this semester included those such as Spanish, Chinese, English Conversation, English Discussion, Big Questions and Dialogue, and Model UN. Keep a lookout for new and exciting classes in the coming Spring semester!



#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Focus on Ireland: April 14th

First classes begin: April 17th

Monthly Movie Series: April 26th

Study Abroad Report: Alès

France: May 16

Focus on: Brazil: May 31



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# Message from the the Vice President

グローバル・カフェに是非来てください!

コロナはまだ終息していませんが、やっと海外交流がまたできるようになってきました。 海外留学をしたい人、語学力をつけたい人はもちろん、世界の様々な国・地域の同年代の 若者と親しくなりたい人にもグローバル・カフェはぴったりです。

先ずはグローバル・カフェに気軽に来てみてください!

-原 直行

# **Message from the Director**

グローバル・カフェは世界の言葉や文化、社会を学び、視野を広げる場です。

グローバル・カフェは地域や世界から多様な人々が集い、交流し、理解しあう場です。

グローバル・カフェはあなたの夢をはぐくみ、育て、実現させる場です。

ぜひグローバル・カフェに来て、世界に飛躍する第一歩を踏み出してください。

-和田 健司



### **International Week Highlights**

This year, the theme of International Week was Environmental Issues and Conservation. We had two movie showings, Heisei Tanuki Gassen Pompoko Gassen (Pompoko) and Wall-E, which both take the perspectives of non-humans characters to imagine the "before and after" of environmental destruction and collapse. Students in the Big Questions and Dialogue class also hosted an open class session, where we discussed the question of environmental space ethics. We topped off the week with a visit from German and Estonian youth, who participated in a special lecture from Lrong-sensei on Plastics, the environment and human society, as well as a discussion session about technology and environmental action.

#### Get in touch with the Global Cafe!

The global cafe regularly advertises GC classes and events through LINE. We also record events on the website, Facebook, and Twitter. You can also drop by the GC any time for more information.









