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Activities

FGC's on-site classes started!

This year, FGC is planning on-site classes at schools across the country. From April to May, classes were held at Minato Ward Shirokane Elementary School in Tokyo, SEISA Kokusai High School Odawara, Obihiro District Core Center, and Asahikawa Campus in Hokkaido.



Eritrea class

about Eritrea when they saw the embassy building with its flag flying. During the class, Kesete used a PowerPoint presentation he had created to give a broad introduction to Eritrea's history, culture, language, and food culture. The students listened intently to the lessons and showed interesting expressions. During the question-and-answer session, many students actively raised their hands to ask questions that even adults would find difficult to answer, and we were impressed by the students' strong sense of curiosity. We are very grateful for this valuable opportunity.

Teaching about Eritrea at elementary school

On May 28th, as part of a program run by the Embassy of Eritrea in Tokyo, we held an international understanding education class at Minato Ward Shirokane Elementary School. On this day, 117 students from all four third-grade classes participated, and Kesete Habtesion Berhane, an Eritrean staff member of our foundation, gave a presentation about Eritrea. Shirokane Elementary School is located near the Eritrean Embassy, and students pass by it every day on their way to school. As a result, many students knew



Students asked many questions

Activities at SEISA Kokusai High School Odawara

At a special class for all students of SEISA Kokusai High School Odawara on April 30, FGC also took the stage to introduce the activities of international students and our various support activities. We also explained how drinks purchased through the donation vending machines installed at their school help support children around the world.

For many of the new students, this was their first opportunity to hear the name "Foundation for Global Children (FGC)" and they were very interested.



Activities at SEISA Kokusai High School Obihiro and Asahikawa Campus in Hokkaido



Campus in Hokkaido. In addition to introducing FGC's activities, a workshop was held for approximately 140 third-year students to discuss international assistance. The students actively exchanged ideas such as "How about supporting baseball in Uganda" and "How about supporting foreign countries through e-sports (video games)?" It resulted in lively and fun discussions. It was a valuable opportunity to interact directly with a distant school that is usually difficult to visit. We will continue to utilize online as well to deepen exchanges with more schools in the future. It was also a meaningful visit, as we were able to directly express our gratitude to our corporate members in Hokkaido and to all those who support us through donated vending machines.

We will continue to provide various opportunities for people to become familiar with our activities.



Almame starts his second year!



Together with classmates in a sports test

Almame Salif Dumbia, who came to Japan last year as the first international student from the Republic of Mali in Africa, and enrolled in the basketball major at SEISA Kokusai High School Shonan. He has been doing well academically and athletically and this spring he started his second year. In terms of his studies, last year he focused on Japanese language and took English and science classes through a program tailored to his needs. This year, his ability to communicate in Japanese has improved, and he is now participating in seminar classes at the school, giving him more opportunities to interact with other students. In May, he participated in his high school's sports festival, competing with his classmates in his first sports festival in Japan. He is currently studying Japanese using a new textbook, and in July he will take the Japanese Language Proficiency Test! In basketball, he continues to play an active role,



Participating in the Kanagawa Prefectural Tournament!



First attempt at tug-of-war at sports festival

taking advantage of his excellent physique. At the Kanagawa Prefecture Tournament in April, the team competed in the top four in the prefecture for the first time and in the Kanto Tournament for the first time as a men's basketball major. He enjoys his school life with his friends every day, competing hard in studies and sports. This will be a very important year for him. We appreciate your support.

Graduates Trends for the new academic year

Through sports exchanges, SEISA Group and FGC have accepted high school and university students from various countries who have both athletic talent and a strong desire to learn to study abroad. A total of 21 sports scholars have been accepted so far, and this year we have received various news of graduates who are thriving in their own fields.



Kagoshima Marathon winner Dejen visits Oiso campus

Dejen Tesfalem Weldu, who came from Eritrea in 2017 as the first student of the Sports Scholarship Program, studied at SEISA Kokusai High School Shonan and SEISA University Accommodation Course, where he pursued athletics and studies. Since last year, he has been working as a professional runner for the Nansatsu Tokyosha Limited Company in Kagoshima. πÇÇAs we reported in the previous issue, on March 3, 2024, he made headlines by winning his first marathon at the Kagoshima Marathon.

On 27 May, he visited SEISA Shonan Oiso Campus in Oiso-machi, Kanagawa Prefecture, for the first time since graduating from the university. On this visit, he was accompanied by a representative from



Reporting the victory at the morning meeting



his employer, Nansatsu Tokyosha. Starting with greetings to staff at the morning meeting, he was also reunited with teachers who had supported him when he was in high school at SEISA Kokusai High School Shonan. It was a very happy day for the teachers and staff to see how well he had grown. We also had the opportunity to hear about how much support Dejen receives from those around him. Not only employees, but also business partners and people in the local community have reached out to Dejen and shown their support. We could feel that his kind personality, his dedicated efforts as an athlete and the things he learned and interacted with many people at SEISA have been put to good use even after he started working.



Penjor gets a job at the Bhutan Olympic Committee



Tshering Penjor, who graduated from SEISA University at the same time as Dejen, returned to his home country of Bhutan after graduation and competed in the 19th Asian Games. Through his experience at the Asian Games where he connected with athletes from diverse backgrounds, Penjor recognized the importance of "Education Through Empathic Understanding" which aims to create a society of coexistence by thinking about how to live as a person, based on SEISA's "Three Guiding Principles": "Understand each other, Leave nobody out, and Make friends." After the Games, he took a short break from athletics and concentrated on establishing his career to contribute to Bhutanese sport, and this April he was offered a job with the Bhutan Olympic Committee (BOC). At BOC, he is

responsible for strengthening Bhutan's sports infrastructure and support systems while developing his professional skills and expanding his network. He has also decided to give athletics another go from June.

Penjor added: "The past few months have been a period of intense growth and learning that goes beyond the realm of athletics, I am very grateful for the foundation that SEISA has given me for the future. I will continue to embody the spirit of SEISA, both in athletics and in my work, and always aim to have a positive impact on society and the people around me."



Tandin and Kinley competed in the 2024 Asian Championships

SEISA Dohto University graduates Tandin Wangchuk and Kinley Tshering have participated in numerous international competitions as judokas representing Bhutan while teaching young people in their home country of Bhutan. At the 2024 Asian Championships held from April 20th to 23rd, Tandin competed in the under-81kg class and Kinley in the under-66kg class. Their achievements were featured on Bhutan National Television and other media, and they are attracting attention as leading figures in the Bhutanese judo world.



Biniam competed in the 2024 Kanto Intercollegiate Championships

Biniam Tesfaye Zeratzion, a graduate of SEISA Kokusai High School Shonan, became a second-year student at Musashino Gakuin University this spring. Every day, he works hard at athletics training, competing with his teammates. He competed in the 10,000m at the 103rd Kanto Intercollegiate Track and Field Championships held in May.

We will continue to support them in their endeavors to create their own futures after graduation.



Support
Activities
Overseas

KOMOREBI Primary School, Republic of Uganda Bridge construction is underway!



A support project started last year in the Republic of Uganda. At KOMOREBI Primary School in Omoro County in the north of the country, we are working on a long-term project to build a bridge over the route that children take to school, which is flooded during the rainy season, and to provide support for improving the environment for children. Thanks to everyone's support, we reached our crowdfunding goal of 5 million yen, and construction of the bridge on the school route finally began at the end of April this year.

Construction work on site is a battle against rain, but thanks to the cooperation of the construction company and the villagers, the foundation work was completed early and the bridge has been shaped to the point where people can pass through, as shown in the picture. After this, the initial plan was to take our time and work on the top and railings of the bridge, but the impact of the rain at the site was greater than expected and, after consultation, the work was brought forward to ensure that the bridge was well protected. We will continue our efforts so that this project, which is supported by many people, will bear fruit and this bridge will become the "SEISA Africa Asia Bridge" and lead to the future of our children.

Noto Peninsula emergency donations were delivered to the Mayor of Toyama



At the presentation ceremony
Left: Toyama City Mayor Mr. Fujii / Right: Student council member Ms. Yoshida

Following the Noto Peninsula earthquake that occurred on January 1st of this year, which recorded a maximum seismic intensity of 7, an emergency fundraising activity was organized with the cooperation of SEISA Group divisions, with FGC acting as the contact point. For this fundraising campaign, announcements were posted and donation boxes were set up in schools and kindergartens across the country, we received kind support from students, parents, teachers, and staff, as well as many others connected with SEISA Group.

On 27 March, we visited Toyama City Mayor Hirohisa Fujii and presented 589,887 yen of the collected donations to the City of Toyama. Toyama City has a close relationship with SEISA Group, including SEISA Kokusai High School Toyama, the Central Children's Centre, and after-school school childcare facilities, and since the recent earthquake caused a lot of damage within the city.

Toyama City was also calling for support, we decided to donate. Mao Yoshida, a student council member of SEISA Kokusai High School Toyama, presented a list of donations to Mayor Fujii. We were very pleased to see Ms. Yoshida present the heartfelt donation from everyone involved with SEISA on behalf of SEISA students, in the presence of many people including city officials, journalists, and the Toyama Campus Director, Ms. Ai Takano, who accompanied us, Parents' Association Advisor, Mr. Isao Takahashi, and staff from FGC. Ms. Yoshida performed her role brilliantly. Furthermore, in the discussion with Mayor Fujii and in an interview with newspaper reporters, Ms. Yoshida spoke clearly about FGC, which was very impressive. The event was covered by three newspapers: Hokuriku Shimbun, Hokuriku Chunichi Shimbun, and Toyama Shimbun. Despite his busy schedule at the end of the fiscal year, Mayor Fujii took the time to meet with us and we were able to introduce the activities of SEISA Group and FGC. Along with the letter of appreciation, we received the words, "Toyama City will use your heartfelt donation to deliver it to those affected by the earthquake." Thank you very much for your cooperation.



We are looking for individual and corporate members for 2024

The new fiscal year of FGC started in January. Last year, 441 individual members and 90 corporate members and cooperating companies supported our activities. This year, we are again inviting you to join us in reaching out to children around the world. Please join us in creating a better future for our children.

• Supporting Members

Individual	Annual Fee 6,000 yen/share
Corporate	Annual Fee 120,000 yen/share

• Donations

We accept donations of any amount at any time.

• Request for installation of donation vending machines

Currently, FGC is partnering with various beverage manufacturers to actively promote the installation of "donation-type vending machines." A portion of the proceeds from the drinks purchased is donated to our foundation, which is linked to the children's future. There are no installation costs or management and operation fees for vending machines. If you are at all interested or willing to install one, please feel free to contact us.

For more information, please visit the FGC website or feel free to contact our office.



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