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#### 1. Medical Services on Weekends in December

Hours: 9:30a.m.- 2:00p.m., except noon-1:00p.m.(Hours are available for all locations.)

Sun. 7: Tokai Village Hospital, ph. 029-282-2188

Sun. 14: Ibarakihigashi National Hospital, ph. 029-282-1151

Sun. 21: Tokai Village Hospital, ph. 029-282-2188

Tue. 23: Ishii Orthopedics (Seikeigeka) Clinic ph. 029-270-5141

Sun. 28: Higashihara Clinic, ph. 029-283-2301

Tue. 30: Ogata Clinic, ph. 029-282-4781

Wed. 31: Ogata Clinic, ph. 029-282-4781

Ibaraki Prefecture 24 Hour Emergency Medical Information Control Center, ph.

029-241-4199

Ibaraki Children's Resource Line, ph. #8000 (touch-tone phones and mobile phones) or 029-254-9900: everyday 6:30p.m.-00:30a.m., Sundays, public holidays, Monday 29 December, 2014- Saturday 3 January, 2015 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

#### 2. Calisthenics Class in December

Stretch and yoga exercise class will be held at Welfare Center Kizuna.

Date: Thursdays 4,18,25 December

Time: 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Eligible people: Residents aged 40 -64 years old.

Other: People coming for first time need to apply in advance.

Inquiries: SC Smile Tokai Secretariat, Tokai-mura Gymnasium, ph. 029-283-1001

- 3. Health Checks for Infants and Toddlers in December at Welfare Center Kizuna
- (1) Mother and Child Health Consultation

Date: Fri. 12

Time: 9:30- 11:00 a.m., 1:00- 2:00 p.m.

(2) 'Genki-up' Health Consultation

Please make an appointment.

- (3) Health Check for Babies
- ①Infant born in July, 2014

Date: Wed. 3

Time: 1:00- 1:45 pm.

2 Children (born in May, 2013) aged 1 and a half years old

Date: Thu. 4

Time: 1:00- 1:45 pm.

3 Children (born in October, 2011) aged 3 years old

Date: Wed. 10

Time: 1:00- 1:45 pm.

(4) Dental Checks for Children (born in May, 2012) aged 2 and a half years

Date: Thu. 11

Time: 1:00- 1:45 pm.

(4) A Class for Babies born in September, 2014

Date: Tue. 16

Time: 1:00- 1:20 pm.

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Health Center, ph. 029-282-2797

4. New Support System of Children and Child Care

New support system of children and child care is going to start from April, 2015 to promote education, child care and supports of child care.

- 1. Available education and child care institutions
- 1) Education/ daycare center institutions
- -1. Kindergarten
- -2. Daycare center
- -3. Kodomo-en (Integrated institution of kindergarten and daycare center)

- 2) Chiikigata- hoiku (Regional child care): Classes available only for a few children aged between 0 and 2 years old
- Family- like child care
- Small- scale childcare
- Employer-provided child care
- Home- visit child care
- 2. You need to be certified to enroll your child into institutions.
- 1) Classification of certification 1
- -1. Eligible people: Preschool child 3 years old and over who wishes to enroll into kindergarten.
- -2. Available institutions: Kindergarten, Kodomo-en
- 2) Classification of certification 2 (Refer to (1))
- -1. Eligible people: Preschool child 3 years old and over who meets one of the conditions below (Refer to (2)), and who would like receive childcare at daycare center.
- -2. Available institutions: Daycare center, kodomo-en
- 3) Classification of certification 3 (Refer to (1))
- -1. Eligible people: Preschool child 2 years old and under who meets one of the conditions below( Refer to (2)), and who would like to receive childcare at daycare center.
- (1) Depending on the situation of parent(s), 2 types of length of child-rearing time are assigned for those who are certificated as classification 2 or 3; Standard length (max. 11h.) or short length (max. 8h.). In case your child(ren) need to be in care for longer hours than the assigned length of time, the institutions will cover it as "extended care".
- (2) Conditions
- a. Parents or guardians working during the day.
- b. Mothers who are about to give birth, or have just recently given birth.
- c. Parents or guardians who are ill or with disabilities.
- d. Parents or guardians who have long-term nursing care obligations.
- e. Parents or guardians who are working in disaster recovery.
- f. Parents or guardians who are job-hunting.
- g. Parents or guardians who are studying at any school or in job training.
- h. Parents who are in childcare leave period
- i. Parents or guardians who are abusive.
- j. Any other valid reason for not being able to take care of your child at home.

### 3. Steps for enrollment

Those who are classified as Classification 1:

- -1. Application for kindergarten
- -2. Receipt of acceptance from kindergarten
- -3. Submitting form for certification
- -4. Issuance of subsidy approval certificate
- -5. Entering kindergarten

Those who are classified as Classification 2 and 3

- -1. Application for entering daycare center/ kodomo-en and certification to Social Welfare Section
- -2. Issuance of subsidy approval certificate.
- -3. Availability fixing
- -4. Notice of determination and availability, suspension or waiting
- -5. Entering daycare center/ kodomo-en

Inquiries: Social Welfare Section in Tokai-mura Village Office, ph. 029-282-1711 ext.1184

# 5. Comments and Suggestions on Village Policy Welcome

The Tokai-mura Village Office welcomes comments about village policy and suggestions to improve life in the town. We do our best to solve problems beyond the reach of current policy.

Please send comments by letter using the envelope enclosed in Koho Tokai 25 November, 2014. Postage is free until Tuesday 24 November, 2015.

Give your name, address, occupation, age and phone number which is available in daytime.

All comments will receive a written response. Anonymous submissions will not receive a response. You may be contacted by phone to confirm the content of your comment.

Selfish, profit-making or slanderous comments will not be accepted. Comments on roads, roadside trees, safety mirrors or streetlights should be sent to the head of each neighborhood community association.

Comments will also be accepted by e-mail through the Tokai-mura website.

Comments about the national, prefectural or Tokai-mura town governments will be accepted at administrative counseling given by Tokai-mura Council of Social Welfare.

Inquiries: Citizens Autonomy Promotion Section, ph. 029-282-1711 ext. 1276

## 6. Sukoyaka Walking

One hour walk along the Ibaraki Health Road (Funaishikawa/Funaba Course).

Date: Wed. 3 Dec. (subject to cancellation in case of rain.)

Time: 10:00 a.m. (register from 9:30 a.m.)

Meeting place: Funaishikawa Community Center, at the parking area

Eligible people: Tokai-mura residents

Cost: Free

Others: Bring a drink and small towel.

Inquiries: Tokai-mura Health Center, ph. 029-282-2797

## 7. A Room for Parents and Children to Support their Childcare

Hyakutsuka Daycare Center opens a room for guardian and children to support their childcare, through playing and listening to storytelling.

Date: Thursday 4 and Friday 12 December

Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Place: Hyakutsuka Daycare Center

Eligible people: Preschool age children accompanied by a guardian who is a resident

of Tokai-mura.

Cost: Free

Others: Bring a drink, towels and spare clothes.

Reservations are not necessary.

Inquiries: Regional Parenting Support Center at Hyakutsuka Daycare Center, ph.

029-270-5660

### 8. Family Concert

Popular performer, Taniken (Kenichiro Tanimoto) as Kessaku-kun from children's program 'HOOK BOOK ROW' of NHK will perform in Tokai-mura.

Date: Sat. 28 Feb.

Time: 1:00p.m. (doors open at 0:30p.m.)

Place: Tokai Culture Center

Cost:

Preschool children aged 3 years up to sixth grade elementary students; 500 yen per person

Junior high school students and over; 2,000 yen per person

All seats designated.

Children under 3 years old do not pay any entrance fee if she/ he sits on her/his parent's lap, but if the child needs a seat, 500 yen will be charged.

Application: Tickets will be on sale from 9:00 a.m. on Saturday 29 November at Tokai Culture Center and other ticket agencies. Reservation by phone is possible from 1:00p.m. depending on tickets availability. Sale date and time depends on each ticket agency.

Inquiries: Tokai Culture Center, ph. 029-282-8511

## 9. Let's begin Hula!

A hula class dancing to the laid-back Hawaiian music.

Date: Fri. 12, 19 Dec. (2014), 9, 16, 23, 30 Jan. (2015), 6, 13, 20 27 Feb. (2015)

Time: 10:00-11:30a.m.

Place: Welfare Center Kizuna

Eligible people: Residents aged 40 years and over.

Capacity: 30 person but give priority to senior residents and a lottery will be held if

there are too many applicants.

Cost: 1,000 yen per person (Please pay on Friday 12 December.)

Application: Apply directly at the Senior Citizen Center by Friday 5 December.

Inquiries: Senior Citizen Center (in Welfare Center Kizuna), ph. 029-282-4300

### 10. Let's Talk with the Mayor

Anyone who wants to talk to Mayor Yamada on a one-to-one basis about politics and daily life of Tokai-mura,

Date: Sat. 13 Dec.

Time: 11:00a.m.- 4:30p.m.

Location: AEON 1F (Near the food section)

Others: No reservations are required but first-come-first-served basis.

The matters of discussion will be published (anonymously) on the home page of the

Tokai-mura website.

Inquiries: Planning and Management Section ph. 029-282-1711(ext. 1333)

### 11. Science Café in Ricotti

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Date: Sat. 6 Dec.

Time: 1:30-3:00p.m.

Place: Ricotti

Eligible people: High school students and above (30 persons first-come-first-served

bases)

Title of the lecture: Geological Disposal and Subterranean Microorganisms-

Microorganisms Living in the World of Darkness

Speaker:

Mr. Gento Kamei (Deputy Director, Radioactive Waste Processing and Disposal

Research Department, Japan Atomic Energy Agency)

Ms. Yuki Amano (Senior Scientist, Radioactive Waste Processing and Disposal

Research Department, Japan Atomic Energy Agency)

Cost: Free

Inquiries: Japan Atomic Energy Agency, ph. 029-282-3470

## 12. Inspection Tour of Tokai Junior High School's Building

An observation tour of the new school building of Tokai Junior High School will be held.

Date: Sat. 13 Dec.

Time: 1:30-4:00p.m.

Place: Tokai Junior High School

Others: Please come by foot or by bicycle as much as possible.

If you come by car, please park at the No.1 ground (school yard in front of school building) or at the parking are of the former government complex site.

Reservations are not necessary.

Inquiries: School Education Section in Tokai-mura Village Office, ph. 029-282-1711

ext. 1417