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Merry
Christmas



I am going to write about illumination. I go to Miyagase park to see the illumination with my family every year. So I will introduce the illumination of Miyagase park. The main one is the Christmas tree. It is a real tree that is more than 100 years old. This tree is decorated with 10,000 lights and the height is 30 meters. It is very beautiful.

I recommend the road train called Miya-go. If you ride it, you can go near the tree and you can learn about illumination on the train. The event is also held in Miyagase park. Why don't you visit there?

Writer: Honoka Baba (1G)



I am going to introduce about christmas market.

First, I would like to talk about the history. This event was started in Europe in the middle ages.



People in the middle ages, needed to stock up on food to the survive cold winter. Therefore this event was important for the people. Now, I would like to write about the details of the christmas market. You can buy glittering ornaments and the drink "Kinderpunsch". Kinderpunsch is a juice for kids. Also, there is a wine called "Gluhwein". This is for adults. You can keep warm by drinking them. If you have a chance to drink them why don't you try?

Writer: Yuto Taguchi (1A)

I want to write about the meanings of Christmas tree decorations.

The Star

The star represents the Star of Bethlehem which guided the Three Wise Men to the stable where Jesus was born.

The Bell

The bell brings back the lost sheep into the fold.



The Candle

The candle represents Jesus as a Divine Light that every Christian should follow, the same light that led the Three Wise Men.



The Gift Bow

The gift bow symbolizes any Christian's commitment, bound to everlasting goodwill.



The Candy Cane.

The candy cane is the Good Shepherd's crook used to bring back the lost sheep.

Wreath

The wreath is the symbol of God's Eternal Love.

Writer: Liz Matsuda (1G)

I'll recommend you to watch the adventure movie "The call of the wild", released in 2020. The story is about Buck, a big friendly dog who lived with a human family as their pet. One night, he was kidnapped by strangers to sell because powerful sled dogs were in high demand at that time. While being used by humans in a harsh world, he has a fateful encounter with John (Harrison Ford). Then, Buck recovers his instincts, which means "The call of the wild".

I like how Buck is so gentle and adorable, and it'll surprise you to see his hidden power. You'll find heartwarming friendship between wild animals and human beings. I personally think that the movie gives us a chance to consider this question "Is it possible for human beings to coexist with wild animals?".



I hope you watch this movie and work off your stress!!

#Stay positive:)

Writer: Momo Fujita (2G)

INTERVIEW COLUMN **with Mr. Andy**

How did you study Japanese?

Before I came to Japan, I didn't speak Japanese at all. It was my first time going to Japan. I was in my twenties. The first experience was a free lesson that I took with my friends at the local city hall in Japan. Some elderly ladies taught us simple Japanese but I didn't learn so much at that time. Then I got a private, man to man lesson for one year. I passed the N4 test 15 years ago and after that I've studied by myself, mostly by just talking to people in my work, and reading Japanese including Kanji. I plan to take the N3 test soon to test my level. I think immersing yourself in the environment by talking to and listening to people is one of the best ways to learn a new language.

Editor: Mr, Andy