



日本語



Japanese: Curriculum Overview (Grade 1/2 Term 3, 2017)

Numbers and Colours

Konnichi wa minna san (こんにちは みんなさん)! Hello everybody! This term the children will continue to learn about numbers. They will practise counting by ones to 20 and by 10s to 100. The children will also begin to recognise and write single kanji characters for the numbers 1 to 10 and experiment with recognising and writing numbers to 20 and beyond. Our other main learning intention is verbalising colours in Japanese. Students will learn how to say 'I like ~' and combine this knowledge to express which colours they favour. In addition, the children will use this set expression to articulate other things they like.

Target grammar:

- Answering the roll correctly: はい、います・いません (I am here/He; She is here) (I am not here/He; She is not here)
- Expressing what you like: ~ が すき です (I like ~)

Cultural focus:

- Develop an appreciation of shodou (calligraphy) when writing numbers in kanji script. Learn about the Obon Festival (Festival of Souls).
- Obon is a time when Japanese people pray for and welcome back the spirits of their ancestors. Some parts of Japan celebrate Obon in mid-July, while other areas celebrate it in mid- August. It is one of the biggest traditional events in the year.

Target vocabulary: douzo ('Please' as in 'I'm offering you something. Please take it.'), arigatou gozaimasu (thank you), onegai shimasu (please do this for me), ichi (one), ni (two), san (three), shi, yon (four), go (five), roku (six), nana, shichi (seven), hachi (eight), kyuu (nine), juu (10), juuichi (11), juuni (12), juusan (13), juuyon (14), juugo (15), juuroku (16), juunana (17), juuhachi (18), juukyuu (19), nijuu (20), sanjuu (30), yonjuu (40), gojuu (50), rokujuu (60), nanajuu (70), hachijuu (80), kyuujuu (90), hyaku (100), iro (colour/s), ao (blue), shiro (white), kuro (black), chairo (brown), aka (red), midori (green), kiiri (yellow), murasaki (purple), orenji (orange), pinku (pink), gurei (grey), desu (be, is).

It will be yet another jam-packed term of language and culture learning, filled with hands-on, interactive learning activities. Once again, I look forward to supporting your child's language growth in Japanese!

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