

## Public Relations Kyotango Magazine – November 2022



### City Topics

## Kyotango Sea Labo Officially Launches!

### ~Raising the New Generation of Leaders~

Junior high and high school students from Kyotango used Design Thinking (※1) to think of solutions for the future and made their presentations in English.

※1 A way of thinking that allows participants to thoroughly understand the thoughts and feelings of their Users and innovate. ("Users" are local professionals participating in the program whose fields are related to STEAM).



## Tango Studies x Design Thinking x STEAM Education (※2)

While learning about the charm of Kyotango and thinking about issues in their community, the program's participants learn how to innovate with a human-centered approach and gain perspectives as globalized talents to create a future for our City. By approaching the issues through the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the students will enrich their learning using Design Thinking.

※2 Abbreviation of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics. An educational philosophy that incorporates liberal arts as a necessary component of science and mathematics education in order to nurture students' creativity.

For more information about Sky Labo, scan here ->



*Students actively communicating with each other and finding more issues to tackle.*

### Introducing the World's Most Cutting-Edge Educational Program to Kyotango

Kyotango Sea Labo – “Creating a City for the Future, Boundless” is an explorative workshop program that aims to raise innovative talents who will carve out Kyotango City's future. The latter part was held at Tango Kingdom for a duration of two days from September 17<sup>th</sup>. A total of 35 junior high and high school students participated in the program. This collaborative program was developed between Kyotango City and Sky Labo, a company established by Dr. Rie Kijima, Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto, and Dr. Mariko Yang-Yoshihara, researcher at Stanford University, to teach young talents about Design Thinking and other creative ways of thought. In August, University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs & Public Policy, Sky Labo, and Kyotango City made an official agreement to collaborate and cooperate in nurturing global talents. Kyotango City aims to have its own

independent program after four years.

The program aims to have schoolchildren learn to be more confident in their creativity, improve their self-esteem, and improve their learning abilities in STEAM fields, so that they can be active participants in a global society and carry the future of Kyotango City's development in their hands.

The program began on August 11<sup>th</sup>, with the first part concluding with Day 2. This time on Day 3 through 4, the City's junior high third year students and high school second year students worked together with Supporters –bilingual university students from Kyoto and Osaka– and local professionals currently working in STEAM-related fields. During the program, the students dug up issues that even the university students and adults did not even realize. While exchanging their thoughts and opinions to work towards a solution, the students prepared and delivered their presentations in English. After the program was finished, the students' faces glowed with a sense of achievement and confidence as they held up their Certificates of Completion.



*Students giving their presentation. Some comments from the students include: "I was able to understand Kyotango's charm and how everything is connected in the city," "I was able to communicate more effectively in English," "It was fun to listen to different opinions, think of designs, and present in front of other people."*

## City Topics

### The New Commander at Kyogamisaki Communications Site

#### Visits Mayor Nakayama

On September 29<sup>th</sup>, the newly-appointed Commander at Kyogamisaki Communications Site, MAJ James Weir, made an official visit to greet Mayor Nakayama.



Commander James Weir (right) and Mayor Nakayama (left)

The Mayor requested for military personnel to properly follow traffic safety laws, fast communication regarding the electric generator's operational hours, and proper enforcement of coronavirus countermeasures. The Commander responded that **he will remind the soldiers about traffic safety and continue to hold driving safety classes. In regards to the operation of the electrical generator, the Site will keep its operation to a minimum; however, in cases where operation is absolutely necessary, the Site will work towards informing the local residents as swiftly as possible.** If novel coronavirus cases are found amongst military personnel, they will cooperate with Tango Clinic and address the situation accordingly. Furthermore, since active social exchange is an important part of building a mutually trusting relationship with the local community, the Mayor requested that the Site participate proactively in community events. The Commander responded that he and his fellow soldiers look forward to interacting with the local community. While keeping up coronavirus prevention protocol, they want to actively participate in social events and volunteer activities.

### Population and Number of Households in Kyotango

*The number in the parentheses is the change marked from the end of August to the end of September according the Basic Resident Registry. ※Includes foreign residents.*

**Population:** 52,187 (-62)

**Male:** 25,136 (-24)

**Female:** 27,051 (-38)

**Number of Households:** 22,968 (±0)

### **Change in Population by Main Reasons**

**Move-in:** 67

**Move-out:** 79

**Births:** 24

**Deaths:** 74

### **City Personnel Changes**

#### **As of 9/30**

Miho Nishikawa – Retired  
Nurse at Yasaka Hospital

Shoko Tsujimura – Retired  
Nurse at Yasaka Hospital

Naoto Sugita – Retired  
Nurse at Kumihama Hospital

#### **As of 10/1**

Nagisa Yoshioka – Transferred  
Junior Official, Property Management Section, General Affairs Department  
Formerly in the Novel Coronavirus Countermeasures Office

## The Talk of the Town Brass & Pop Live Concert



*"The live music soothed my heart  
and soul."*

*"The music was so fun, my body  
started moving on its own!"*

The audience claps their hands along to the songs played live by the U.S. Army Pacific Band.

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, the Kyotango City International Association and the Kyogamisaki Communications Site cohosted a live concert at Amity Tango. Around 60 people came and jived to the upbeat selection of hit songs, from Michael Jackson's "Thriller" to the theme song from the classic movie, "Ghostbusters," and many more! You can see pictures from the event on the KIA's Facebook page, or see the concert re-broadcasted on Channel 11 (Kyotango City's local channel) starting October 29<sup>th</sup>.

View the pictures from the day of here >



## Join the Movement Against Gender-based Violence

*We are campaigning from November 12<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>*

If you are a victim of sexual violence or crime, don't keep the pain to yourself. Please talk with us.

**To consult over the phone:**

**Cabinet Office's One Stop Support Center for Victims of Sexual Crime/Violence**

**#8891**

or

**Tokyo Metropolitan Police Department**

**Consultation Hotline for Victims of Sexual Crimes**

**#8103**



**To consult via chat messaging, scan here (foreign language support available):**



*Curetime (Cabinet Office)*

## Don't Overlook the Signs You See from Children

**~ November is Child Abuse Prevention Promotion Month ~**

Child abuse negatively affects a child's healthy development and may be happening somewhere close to you. To protect a child from abuse, it is crucial to notice changes in the people around them and anything strange you may notice.



*What is Child Abuse?*

### Physical Abuse

Punched, kicked, hit, or suffering from burns, etc.



### Psychological Abuse

Threatened verbally, ignored, or witnessing domestic violence done upon a family member, etc.

### Sexual Abuse

Sexual acts towards children, or showing children inappropriately sexual things, etc.

### Neglect

Locked in at home, not given proper meals, etc.

## Pick up on the Small Signs

There are various tell-tale actions and signs when a child is suffering from abuse. It is possible that abuse is happening when you spot, not just one, but multiple, signs or if certain actions are happening more frequently, upon others.

### The Signs from Children

- Unnatural looking bruises or burn scars
- Does not want to go home
- Body or clothes are always dirty
- Little expression in their face

### The Signs from the Guardians

- Solitary/do not interact much with the neighbors
- Child is left at home when they go out
- Things are left lying around the outside or inside of their home
- Harshly scolds or hits their child in front of others

**If you think a child is suffering from abuse, call right away:**

### **Child Abuse Consultation Agencies**

**Child Abuse Hotline - TEL 189** (24/7, 365 Days a Year)

- For reporting or consulting about potential cases of child abuse



- Please call if you believe you may be treating your child abusively

**Consultation Hotline** - TEL **0120-189-783** (24/7, 365 Days a Year)

- Specialized phone consultation service for talking through abusive cases

**Family and Child Consultation Office (Parenting and Child Support Section)**

TEL 0772-69-0340

(Mon ~ Fri (closed on holidays), 8:30AM ~ 5:15)

Consultations about Everything Childcare-related

**Kyotango City Child and Family Comprehensive Support Base**

**Family and Child Consultation Office (Parenting and Child Support Section)**

TEL 0772-69-0340

(Mon~Fri (closed on holidays) 8:30AM~5:15PM)

**All-Inclusive Parenting Support Center Hagu-Hagu (Health Promotion Section)**

TEL 0772-69-0370 (Mon~Fri (closed on holidays), 8:30AM ~ 5:15PM)

**Information regarding the Novel Coronavirus Vaccine**

**Getting the Vaccine for the Omicron Variant**

Individuals over the age of 12 who have received both doses of the initial novel coronavirus vaccine are now eligible to get the new vaccine that is effective against the Omicron variant (As of 10/12).

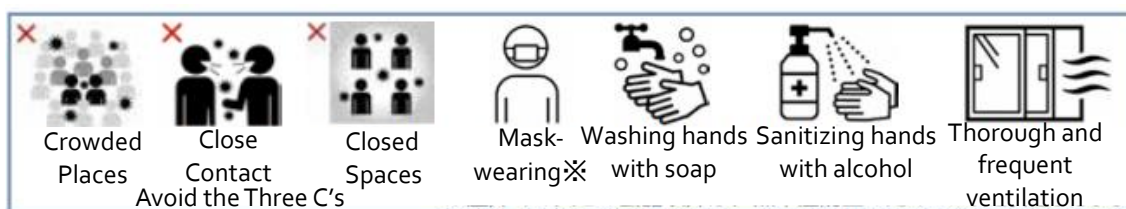
**Getting the Vaccine for the Omicron Variant (1 per person)**

Eligible Group	Number of Vaccinations	Eligible Period for Vaccination	Administered Vaccine Brands
All persons who have received both doses of the initial vaccine and are over 12 years of age.	1 dose	5 months after last vaccine has been administered ※Efficacy may differ if new vaccine is administered too soon.	● Pfizer (for persons 12 years old and up) ● Moderna (for persons 18 years old and up)

A Vaccination Ticket will be sent to all eligible individuals in succession. For those who would like to receive the vaccine, please make an appointment through the reservation website or the Call Center when you have received your Vaccination Ticket.

For those over 60 years old and have received the 4<sup>th</sup> dose of the vaccine from June to September, please fill out the Vaccination Survey and the City will assign you a time and location for your vaccination appointment. For those who have their old Vaccination Ticket, please use your newly-delivered **orange Vaccination Ticket**.

**We ask you to continue to take precautions  
against the novel coronavirus.**



*※If you are not talking to other people, you may take off your mask to prevent heat stroke while outdoors.*

**By the Kyotango City Novel Coronavirus Vaccination Call Center**

TEL 0772-66-3226 (Weekdays 9AM~5PM)

## Let's Go to Kami Town!

Want to enjoy gourmet eats in Kami? Now's your chance!  
We will pay for part of your trip to Kami Town until November 30<sup>th</sup>!



To liven up the San'in Kaigan UNESCO Geopark, Kyotango City and Kami Town in Hyogo Prefecture are helping their residents with their travel plans! Why *not* take this opportunity to visit and enjoy Kami Town? The beautiful region of Tajima is waiting for you in all of its autumn glory!



Scan here for more info:



By the Tourism Promotion Section  
TEL 0772-69-0450



Kami Town is approximately 80 minutes away by car, 2 hours by train from Kyotango City