

Koedo Kawagoe News



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Let's make good use of high beams!

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Recently in Kawagoe, we have many traffic accidents happening after dark. Many of them are caused because drivers can't see pedestrians, especially those who start to cross the road from the right. Do you know that using high beams is an effective means to prevent accidents? Head lights have two different types of beams, low and high. High beams can light up the road about 100m ahead, while low beams, about 40m ahead. Every time you want to use high beams, you have to change the beam from low to high, and some drivers don't like to bother using them. However, they are useful to discover pedestrians and obstacles on the road earlier. You'd better use high beam generally, except when it disturbs other vehicles or pedestrians.

Advice to pedestrians: wear some reflective material so drivers can notice you when you walk outside after dark.

Reception Desks Will be Very Crowded During the Period of Fiscal Year Change

Shimin-ka (Citizen Registration Division) Tel: 049-224-5742 Fax: 049-226-5091.

During the period of fiscal year change from the middle of March to the beginning of April, reception desks will be very crowded because there will be many applicants of people moving in and out of Kawagoe City. There would be an expected long waiting time at Shimin-ka and Minami Renrakujo (Minami Branch Office). Your inconvenience is regrettable.

The City Hall will be open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays.

Open dates in March will be the 24th. **Open time...** 8:30 a.m. to noon.

Sites opened... Shimin-ka (1st floor of the City Hall), Shuzei-ka (Tax Collection Division) (2nd floor of the City Hall) and Minami Renrakujo (Minami Branch Office)

Type of Reception Desks	Procedures covered
Shimin-ka and Minami Renrakujo	Registration regarding inhabitant's transfer (moving into or out of Kawagoe, change of address within the city, household status change, etc.), registration regarding family register (marriage, birth, divorce, death, transfer, etc.), procedures related to seal registration and citizen's card, issue of a copy of Residence Certificate, issue of Certificate of All Records or Individual Records of Family Register (certificate or individual records of family register), issue of identification paper and issue of seal registration certificate and issue of My Number Card (only at Shimin-ka. Prior reservation is required) *In cases where inquiries to other municipalities regarding acceptance of registration of inhabitant's transfer, etc. are required, it is not possible to issue the certificate on that day.

Shimin-ka and Minami Renrakujo	Issue of certificates on taxation and income or tax exemption *Handling of business certificates is not possible.
	Issue of certificates for tax payment Issue of certificates regarding Kotei Shisan-zei (Fixed Property Tax) *Handling of Jutaku yo Kaoku Shomeisho (Certificate of Home for Residence) or Certificate of Registration of Tax Ledger of Fixed Property Homes is not possible.
Shuzei-ka	Payment of city taxes (including National Health Insurance Premium), issue of tax payment certificates, reissuing of payment statement and tax payment consultation

Koedo Kurari Showagura was renovated on March 10 Saturday

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Kurari, where you can find and buy Kawagoe local foods and products, has been a popular spot with the residents and visitors as well since it opened in October 2010.

Kura Ichiba in Showagura at Kurari has been renovated and turned into Kikizake Dokoro (a Japanese sake tasting facility).

Japanese sake is catching on overseas as a symbol of Japanese food culture. We share this Japanese culture here in Kawagoe where Japanese styles, such as Kimono and Kurazukuri Street, are still to be found, aiming for further promotion of the city and its local industry.

At the newly renovated facility, you can taste local sake from 35 different local sake cellars in Saitama. Non-alcohol products such as ice cream and sweet sake are also available for people who don't like alcohol. We sell fermented products there too, such as miso and shoyu made in Kawagoe. Please call Koedo Kurari 228-0855 or visit our website for more information on the new facility and its products.

The new Showagura is for visitors from inside and outside Japan as well as the local people to enjoy and experience Japanese Sake. Please come and visit the newly renovated Showagura.



Mascot of Kawagoe City: Tokimo

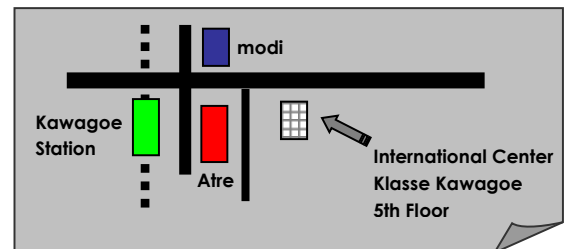
International Center Information

Closed: Tuesdays and New Year Holidays (Dec. 29th to Jan. 3rd)

23-10 Sugawara-cho

Tel: 049-228-7723 (Only in Japanese Language)

Inquiries: Kokusai Bunka Koryu-ka, Tel: 049-224-5506



Klasse de Nihongo Date: Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Time: 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, 2:00-5:00 p.m., 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Free Japanese language classes for foreign citizens are provided. No prior registration is needed.

Consultation Services For Foreign Citizens

If you need an interpreter, please let Kokusai Bunka Koryu-ka know in advance.

- ▶ General (Japanese and Chinese): Monday March 26th, April 9th and 23rd, 1:00 - 6:00 pm
- ▶ General (Japanese and Portuguese): Friday March 16th, April 6th and 20th, 1:00 - 6:00 pm
- ▶ Legal Affairs (Japanese) **Reservation available**: Friday March 23rd and April 27th, 3:00 - 5:00 pm
- ▶ Visa status (Japanese) : Saturday March 24th and April 28th, 1:00 - 6:00 pm