



Minami no Kaze

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Minami Lounge Information

What is “**SHABERING GLOBAL FRIENDSHIP (シャベリング Global Friendship)**” ?

“Shabering Global Friendship” is a gathering hosted by Minami Ward local childcare support center; Hagu Hagu no Ki. It is a gathering for both foreign and Japanese parents to chat and consult about raising a child and also to communicate with other cultures.

Who can join the gathering ?

Foreigners and their partners who are raising a child in Japan, and for everyone who wants to communicate with foreign mothers and children.

Is Japanese necessary ?

There are Supporter Moms who can speak English and Chinese. They can help you to communicate with others.

How can I join the gathering ?

Just hop in on the gathering day. Application is not required.



“Hagu Hagu no Ki” is a place for both children and parents.

◆Place / Minami ward local childcare support center Hagu Hagu no Ki Gathering Space
2nd floor of Karumu 1, 158 Gumyoji-cho (Located in the Gumyoji shopping arcade)
Tel & Fax: .045-715-3728

- ※Babysitting is not available, but you can join the gathering with your child.
- ※If it is your first visit, please register. You will receive a card.

It was my first child birth and was worried with many things. Coming here and talking about many things helped me a lot.

(From China, Ms.H)

I've joined this group because my husband is Korean. I made a lot of valuable friends here. I would like to meet more friends from various countries.

(From Japan, Ms.C)



Even if you are worried with Japanese language, everyone will welcome you. In my case, I can talk with everyone about anything and at the same time also have an enjoyable time.

(From Indonesia, Ms.K)

Next gathering will be on Feb. 14th (Fri.)
From: 10:30 to 11:30

Free Early Childhood Education and Care

The fee of kindergarten, nursery and children daycare center will be free for 3 to 5 years old infants (also for 0 to 2 years old infant of household with exemption from municipal taxes).

Please see the following website for more details. → <https://www.youhomushouka.go.jp/about/en//>



From Minami Lounge

Minna no "Wa!" Festa was held at Minami Lounge.

On Nov.17th (Sunday), Minami Lounge's biggest event Minna no "Wa!" Festa was held. Many people came to enjoy this event.



Mailing Fee have changed

Mailing fee for postcard and standard mail has changed from Oct.1st.

- Domestic standard mail fee
(Former fee) 82yen → (New fee) 84yen
- Domestic postcard fee
(Former fee) 62yen → (New fee) 63 円
- * Nengajyo (Japanese new year card) of 2020 is also 63yen !



Please send money & valuables by registered mail. There are 3 types of registered mail; Ordinary, Currency & Simplified. The mailing fee for registered mail costs more than the standard mailing fee, but has compensation. To send money, please use Currency registration mail~



Information: You can mail postcard to any country for 70yen. If you want to write more, you can use an aerogramme (Please buy it at the post office). Aerogramme can be sent to any country for 90yen. The mailing fee for greeting card and letter (excluding aerogramme) differs by the country you are mailing to. Please check at the post office.

Consultation concerning daily life is available in multiple languages at Minami Lounge

① Information and advice concerning daily life (Free of charge)

Office hours : Monday-Sunday 9:00~17:00 (Closed; 3rd Mondays, 29Dec.~3Jan.)

Telephone : (Japanese) 045-232-9544 (Foreign Language) 045-242-0888.

*Look below for available language and days

【Available language and days】

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Chinese	Chinese	Chinese English	Chinese Thai	Chinese Tagalog	Chinese	Chinese

② Free of charge consultation about law (2nd Thurs), visa (3rd Thurs) and education (4th Thurs)

※ 13:30~, 14:30~ (Appointment needed. Tel.045-242-0888)

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