




Parents' information meeting  
Proposed visit to Japan June 2025



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# 1 Visit Rationale

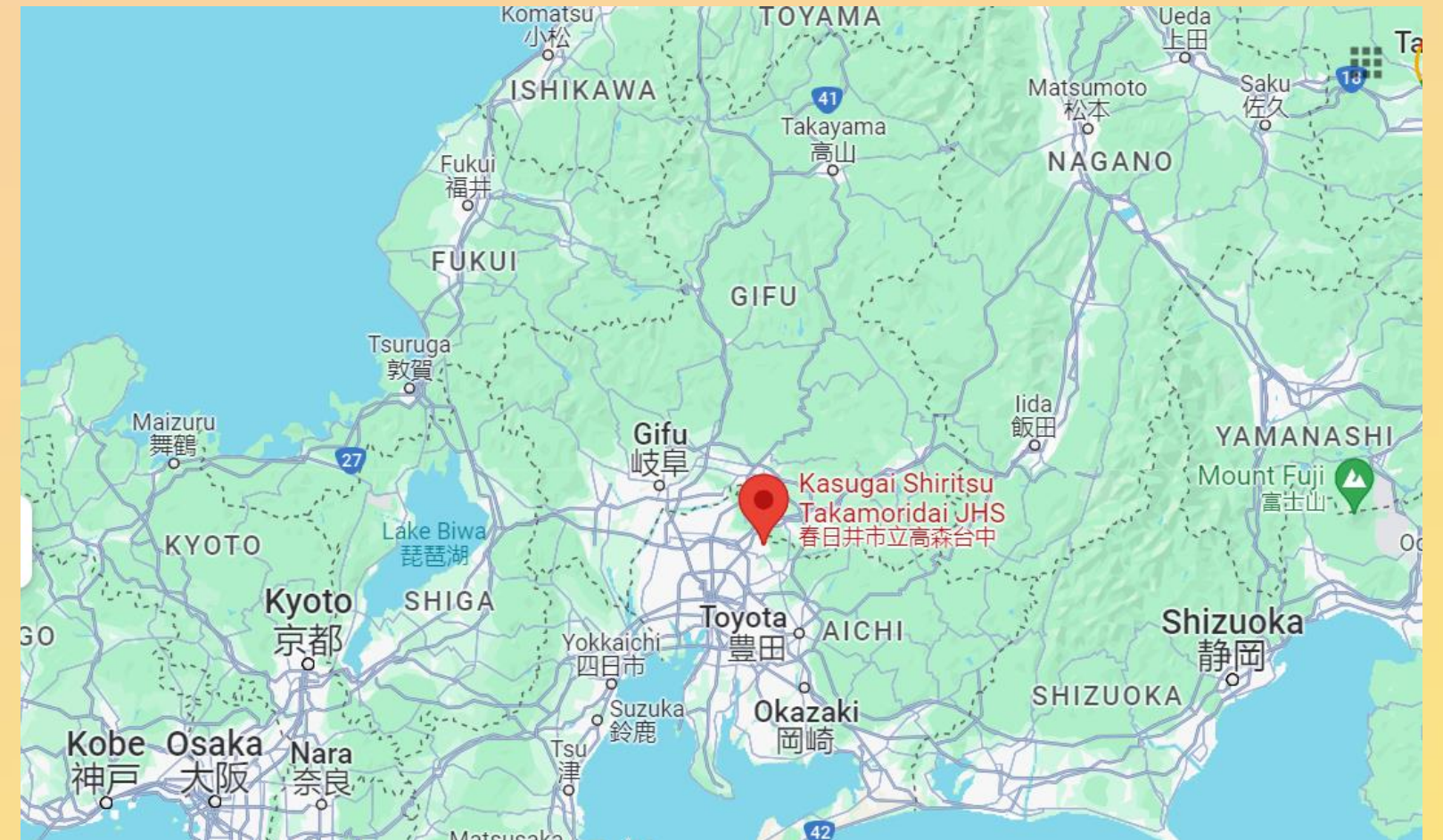


## Purpose of the visit

- To meet two of the four purposes of the new Curriculum for Wales: Ethical Informed Citizens and Ambitious, Capable Learners
- To develop our international engagement and build on the relationships we have begun with schools overseas
- To give our young people a life-changing experience which will encourage personal development and teach valuable life skills such as leadership, maturity, independence and an increased cultural awareness
- To provide a new experience of international travel and develop core relationships with peers, teachers and young people from other countries.

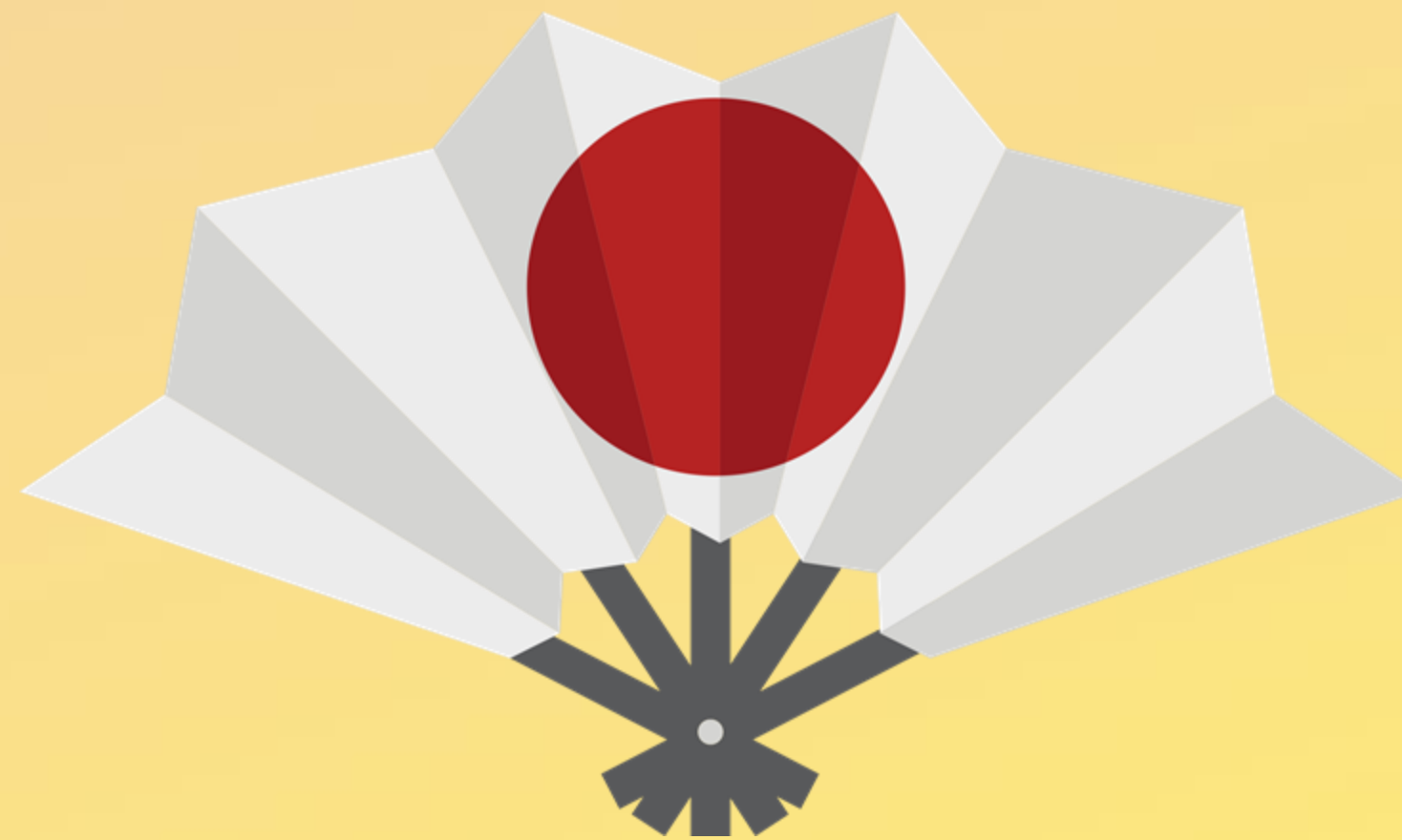
# Why Japan?

- Since May 2024, Connah's Quay High School has been partnered with Takamori-dai Junior high School, near Nagoya, Aichi Province, Japan through our education partner Global School Alliance
- <https://www.globalschoolalliance.com/>



- We have been collaborating in joint projects with the school sharing our experiences of school life.
- We chose Japan both for our local links to the Toyota car plant on Deeside but also for its education system which relies on the concept of “the whole child”

# 2 Proposed itinerary



# Travel dates: Friday 20<sup>th</sup>- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June

Day	Date	Breakfast	Morning	Lunch	Afternoon	Dinner	Accommodation
Friday	20 June 2025				Flight departs UK	On Board	On Board
Saturday	21st June 2025		On Board		Arrive at Nagoya @ 2055	At hotel	Hotel to Nagoya
Sunday	22 June 2025	At Hotel	Nagoya Sightseeing	Local Restaurant	Nagoya Sightseeing	Local Restaurant	Hotel to Nagoya
Monday	23 June 2025	At Hotel	School Visiting	School Canteen	School Visiting	Local Restaurant	Hotel to Nagoya
Tuesday	24 June 2025	At Hotel	School Visiting	School Canteen	School Visiting	Local Restaurant	Hotel to Nagoya
Wednesday	25 June 2025	At Hotel	School Visiting	School Canteen	School Vsiting	Local Restaurant	Hotel in Nagoya
Thursday	26 June 2025	At Hotel	Toyota Museum	Local Restaurant	Visit Togan-Ji Temple & Statue and local walking tour	Local Restaurant	Hotel in Nagoya
Friday	27 June 2025	At Hotel	Nabano visit	Local Restaurant	Check in for return flight	On Plane	On plane
Saturday	28 June 2025	At Hotel	Arrive UK				







# Staffing

- Visit leader: Mrs Threadgold
- 1 additional teacher
- 1 Learning support worker
- Local guide provided by GSA



# 3. Costings



## Parental contributions

Parents will contribute approximately 25% of the overall cost.



## Government funding

Government funding has been applied for which should cover 75% of the overall cost.



## Fundraising

Participants will be expected to participate in events such as bag packing. Other funding sources are being investigated

- Costs without funding:
- Itinerary = £1050 + flights = £1200 = Total= £2250
  
- Funding has been applied for to cover :
  - £400 towards the itinerary
  - £905 towards the flights
  - £315 organisational support fee
  - **This is specifically to enable disadvantaged learners to participate**
  
- Proposed parental cost = £700
- PROPOSED COST IS APPROXIMATE- depending on the cost of flights, this may increase slightly
  
- Plan to keep the cost as low as possible:
  - Fundraising events e.g. bag packing at local supermarkets; application for local charitable grants, match funding, Christmas bingo in school

Please note:

Government Funding is yet to be confirmed!

- Plan to keep the cost as low as possible:
  - Fundraising events e.g. bag packing at local supermarkets; Christmas bingo, match funding
  - Application for local charitable grants
  - Aim to raise £2000+
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- Until the government funding has been confirmed, this is a proposed visit only!

# Potential Payment Schedule

## Payments by Parent Pay





# 4 Participant criteria

How we decide who is  
able to participate.

# Participant criteria



There are only 18-20 places available. Consideration will be given to



## Disadvantaged learners

Some priority places given to our learners who are normally disadvantaged in line with funding criteria.



## Gender balance

We will endeavor to share places equally between boys and girls.



## International club members

Learners who have regularly attended International Club meetings and already linked with Takamoriidai JH



## Names out of the hat

Names will be drawn out of a hat by Mrs. Threadgold/ Mrs. Davies.



# What happens next?

- Successful participants informed; reserve list created.
- Parent pay set up by July 12<sup>th</sup> and deposits taken
- Further information evening will be held in the new term to give update on costings and itinerary
- In the event of the trip not going ahead, initial deposits will be returned .





# Questions?

Parents/Carters were given the opportunity to ask questions at the end of the information meeting held on Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>. A number of queries were put forward; please find the questions and answers on the following slide.



# Your Questions Answered

**What vaccinations will my child need to go to Japan? – Answer taken from NHS Scotland website**

- **Courses or boosters usually advised:** none.
- **Other vaccines to consider:** Hepatitis B; Tetanus.
- **Selectively advised vaccines – only for those individuals at highest risk:** Hepatitis A; Japanese Encephalitis; Tick-borne Encephalitis.
- **No yellow fever vaccination certificate required** for this country.

**How do I apply for a visa?**

Foreign nationals/people who wish to travel to Japan for tourism for a short-term period can apply for a visa online and receive an electronic visa (eVISA) through the JAPAN eVISA system. Non –UK nationals may need to contact their consulate for advice.

**When does my child need to have a passport by?**

As soon as possible as we will need passport details for flights. Further advice to follow.

**The visit is oversubscribed, how will my child know if they have secured a place on the visit?**

Once Mrs Threadgold & Mrs Davies have ensured that all criteria have been met, Mrs Threadgold will contact parents/carers to let them know via email/ phone call.



Thank  
you!

Please contact  
Mrs.  
Threadgold if  
you have any  
further  
questions.



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