



# 日本語



こんにちは みんなさん！

konnichiwa minnasan!

ようこそ<sup>youkoso</sup> to term 1 for 2016. I am excited to be joining the Specialist Team at Flagstaff Hill Primary School this year as the Junior Japanese Teacher, teaching years Reception through to Year 3 and working alongside the talented and experienced Roxanne Davey who will be teaching the primary years from 4 through 7.

## Term Overview: Junior Japanese

With the introduction of the Junior Japanese classes in 2016, students in years Reception to year 3 will begin with an exploration into Japanese New Year celebrations and some of the traditions that they hold. As part of the New Years learning, students will be introduced to the <sup>jyuuunishi</sup>じゅうにし animals (Zodiac) and 2016's New Year animal the <sup>saru</sup>ざる (Monkey).

From there the student learning focus will move towards Japan as a country and learn about geographical features, significant landmarks, and the culture as a whole before progressing to number recognition.

Students will be encouraged and directed through the use of standard expressions and appropriate gestures which are used in everyday interactions such as greetings and farewells which include: <sup>ohayougozaimasu</sup>おはようございます、  
<sup>ohayou</sup>おはよう、<sup>konnichiwa</sup>こんにちは, and <sup>sayounara</sup>さようなら, as well as thanking and apologising: <sup>douzo</sup>どうぞ、<sup>arigatou</sup>ありがとう、<sup>doumo</sup>どうも.

I look forward to meeting and working with everyone this year!

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