

Bringing you news about the Foundation's immigration-related activities

Children from the Overseas Fukuoka Kenjinkai visited the prefecture!



【Commemorative Photo with Governor Ogawa】

This July, 22 children and 11 leaders from 13 Kenjinkai participated in the Short Term Visit Program for Descendants of Immigrants from Fukuoka Prefecture, the highest number in its 6 year history. Through various exchanges and first-hand experiences, they gained a deeper understanding of their roots in Fukuoka.

☆Schedule

○Period: Friday 5th – Tuesday 16th July 2013

○Activities:

(1) Exchange with Japanese peers

Exchange with Munakata Elementary School, Naka Elementary School and Takeshita Taiko group.

(2) Discover Fukuoka's charm

Tours of Fukuoka City, Kitakyushu City, Dazaifu Tenmangu and Yame Traditional Craftwork Center.

(3) Find your roots

Home stay with relatives, friends or members of the Kazoku-kai.

(4) Japanese cultural experience

Hakata Gion Yamakasa, handmade Japanese paper fans, Japanese drums, calligraphy and more.



Hakata Gion Yamakasa



Tea Ceremony



Calligraphy



Making Umegae-mochi!



Toyota factory visit



At Dazaifu



Taiko time!



We made fans with Japanese paper!

☆Participants

Name of Kenjinkai	Children	Leaders
Brazil	6	2
Manaus	1	0
Belém	1	0
Tomé-Açu	0	1
Peru	1	1
Mexico	2	1
Colombia	1	1
Bolivia	1	1
Argentina	1	1
Nanka	1	1
San Francisco	3	1
Hawaii	2	0
Hawaii Island	2	1
Total	22	11



Not long to go! 8th Worldwide Fukuoka Kenjinkai Convention

Our roots are in Fukuoka, Our dreams are worldwide Creating a shared future through our bonds with Fukuoka

Just over one month remains until the Worldwide Fukuoka Kenjinkai Convention that will be held in Fukuoka Prefecture for the first time in 12 years. All the staff are working hard to make the event fulfilling for all participants.

As part of this Worldwide Convention, Kenjinkai Photo Displays are being held in the 1F lobby of the prefectural office and other locations in order to introduce the Kenjinkai and their activities to many Fukuoka residents.

The energy in Fukuoka is growing in the lead up to the Worldwide Convention! We're looking forward to seeing you all!

Convention Period 9-12 October, 2013

For more details, please see our facebook www.facebook.com/fukuoka.kenjinkai



Photos (Top left) Greeting from Governor Ogawa (Top right) Director Shingu observing the photo display (Bottom) The display at Kokusai Hiroba