

Child Allowance Procedure during the Year-End and New Year Holidays

Child allowance applications will not be accepted at service counters between Saturday, December 28, 2024, and Sunday, January 5, 2025. If you have a new baby born in December or have recently moved into Ota City, please submit your application within 15 days from the day after your "date of change" (i.e., your baby's date of birth or your expected moving-out date from your previous place of residence).

Your application will be accepted even if you do not have the necessary attached documentation ready, so please submit your application by the deadline. Submit your application by one of the following means.

- At the service counter for Medical Care for Children, Childcare Support Division
- Apply on the GOCA website
- By post

* You may also submit your application at a branch office only if it is associated with your moving into Ota City or the birth of a baby (branch offices will not accept applications in other cases). Visit the Ota City website for more information.

- Medical Care for Children, Childcare Support Division
- ☎ 03-5744-1275 FAX 03-5744-1525



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Recyclables and Waste Collection Days during the Year-End and New Year Holidays

All collection will be suspended between Tuesday, December 31, 2024, and Friday, January 3, 2025. Regular collection will resume on Saturday, January 4. Please note that collection will resume on Sunday, January 5, in some areas. Collection times and routes may change significantly during the year-end and New Year Holidays, so be sure to place your recyclables and waste at the collection station by 8:00 am on the collection day.

- Collection and Recycling Section, Sanitation Division
- ☎ 03-5744-1628 FAX 03-5744-1550
- E-mail: kan-seso@city.ota.tokyo.jp



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Information for foreign residents (Available in 131 languages)



Multilingual Consultation Desk



Past issues are available here. ▶



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A Newsletter for Foreign Nationals

Ota City Navigation



This article is available in audio.



Orientation Workshop for International Parents of New First Graders

This workshop will provide information on Japanese elementary schools for non-Japanese parents and guardians with preschool-aged children. It will include explanations of school events, necessary school supplies, and other important matters. Also planned are talks by parents/guardians who have already experienced sending their children to elementary school and a get-together between those parents and participants.

- Interpreting will be provided (English, Chinese, and other languages).
- Childcare will be available (for children at least 18 months old but not yet elementary school age). A reservation is required. (The first eight children will be accepted.)

- Sunday, January 26, 2025
1:30 pm to 4:00 pm
- Ota International Exchange Center ("Minto Ota")
(2nd floor, 4-16-8 Kamata, Ota-ku)
- Free of charge
- Apply on the GOCA website
- Global City Ota Cooperation Association (GOCA)
☎ 03-6410-7981 FAX 03-6410-7982
E-mail: mail@ota-goca.or.jp



Children's Study Support Class

Ota City offers learning support classes for elementary and junior high school children who are learning Japanese. If your child struggles with schoolwork or homework because of problems understanding Japanese, sign him or her up! The adult volunteer staff can help your child improve.

Classroom activities

- Help with homework
- Learning textbook words and vocabulary
- Engaging in learning activities that use Japanese etc.

Who can join?

- Children between elementary school grade 1 and junior high school grade 3 who:
- Attend school in Ota City
 - Struggle with Japanese or are learning Japanese.



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🕒 January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26; and March 5, 12, 19, 2025 (Every Wednesday, total of ten lessons)

Class 1 (children in elementary school grades 1 to 5)
3:45 pm to 4:45 pm

Class 2 (children in elementary school grade 6 up to junior high school grade 3)
3:45 pm to 5:15 pm

* You may decide which class your child will join after consulting with a staff member.

📍 Ota International Exchange Center ("Minto Ota")
(2nd floor, 4-16-8 Kamata, Ota-ku)

💰 Class 1: 2,000 yen Class 2: 3,000 yen (The fee covers ten lessons in each class.)

👤 Class 1: About ten children
Class 2: About ten children

- 📄 Apply in person at GOCA (2nd floor, 4-16-8 Kamata, Ota-ku; Ota International Exchange Center ["Minto Ota"])
- Apply on the GOCA website
- Apply by email
- Apply by fax

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Beginners Japanese Course

This course is for people studying Japanese for the first time.

Participants will learn everything from hiragana and katakana to simple conversation.



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🕒 February 4, 6, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 and March 4, 6, 11, 2025 (Tuesdays and Thursdays, excluding public holidays (total of ten lessons))
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

📍 Ota International Exchange Center ("Minto Ota")
(2nd floor, 4-16-8 Kamata, Ota-ku)

💰 1,700 yen (covers ten lessons, textbook, and materials)

👤 15 (Participants will be chosen by lottery if many applications are received.)

📄 Apply on the GOCA website

📞 Global City Ota Cooperation Association
☎ 03-6410-7981 FAX 03-6410-7982
E-mail: info@ota-goca.or.jp



Join the "Minto Friends!"

The Ota International Exchange Center (Minto Ota) operates a Multilingual Consultation Desk, offers Japanese language classes, and organizes various multicultural events.

Minto Friends are people who support Minto Ota's work by informing others about these activities.

About the Multilingual Consultation Desk



Your job as a Minto Friend



About the Minto Friends program

- ✓ Being a Minto Friend is about passing on information* about the counter where you can seek help in foreign languages and spreading the word about international exchange and multiculturalism in Ota City.
- ✓ Anyone of elementary school age or older who is interested in international exchange and multiculturalism can join the program. No registration is required!
- ✓ You can refer to yourself as a Minto Friend at any time!

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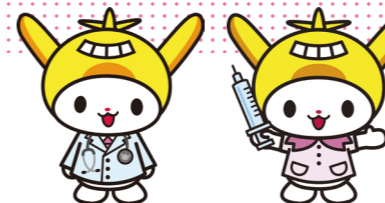
* As a Minto Friend, you will tell people about:

- 1 The Ota International Exchange Center (Minto Ota)
- 2 The "For Foreigners" section of the Ota City website
- 3 The latest information available on the Ota City website



Ota City Provides HIV Testing Twice a Month

Ota City's Public Health Center offers free and anonymous HIV and syphilis testing twice a month (on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month). A testing and consultation center located near Shinjuku Station's East Exit also offers testing every day except national holidays.



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🕒 Wednesday, December 25, 2024; Wednesday, January 8, and Wednesday, January 22, 2025
9:00 am to 10:00 am

📍 Kamata Area Office, 2nd floor medical examination room (2-1-1 Kamata-Honcho, Ota-ku)

💰 Free of charge

📄 Book an appointment online on the Ota City website

📞 Infectious Disease Countermeasures Section, Infectious Disease Countermeasures Division
☎ 03-4446-2643 FAX 03-5744-1524

Tokyo Metropolitan Testing and Counseling Office
☎ 050-3801-5309

