

Special Lecture

— In commemoration of a research designation of Super Global High School —

On Friday, May 15, 2015, we invited Captain Jon McBride, a former NASA astronaut, and held a special lecture. Mr. McBride had piloted the space shuttle *Challenger* and did such tasks as observing and taking pictures of the Earth.

In his lecture, to the audience of about 1,000 Higashi students and parents, we were introduced about launching the shuttle, the activities in the spaceship, the valuable memories and pictures of the Earth seen from space. "I hope one of you will be able to go to Mars! If it happens, give me a phone call before you go there. To realize your dream, BENKYO (study), BENKYO, BENKYO!" was his message.

During a time frame of thirty minutes, Higashi students kept asking questions in English. One of the questions was: "Have you ever seen aliens or UFOs?" It was unique! (The answer was "No.")



Ms. Mai Tanaka (High School Class 1-2) and Ms. Mariko Nishimura (High School Class 1-4) gave him a memento, and Ms. Imari Yasuno (High School Class 1-2) told Mr. McBride her impression as follows: "When you see a map, you'll find borders, but when you see the Earth from space, no borders can be seen."



↑ Interviewing in English



↑ Taking a commemorative photo
in the principal's office