

2017 Global Report

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Interaction with students in Malaysia!

On Thursday, November 23rd, the second year students in the international department visited SMK Tamran Rinting 2, a school in Malaysia, on their school trip to interact with the students there. The SMK students, who are diverse in nationalities, seemed to have been looking forward to the visit. One SMK teacher on behalf of the school gave a welcome speech, and Mr. Noda, the Nagasaki Higashi principal, delivered a speech of thanks in English. After that, one student representing SMK school greeted us in Malay, and Miss Yuna Ookuma from Class 2-5 greeted back in English. After the exchanging of gifts, the SMK students introduced their traditional clothes, songs, dances and martial arts. From Nagasaki Higashi, Miss Rio Aso and Miss Ayano Hirayama, both from Class 2-6, displayed a fantastic *kendama* performance, and Mr. Hiromu Wakamatsu from Class 2-2 demonstrated some *karate* patterns. Nagasaki Higashi dance club performed a dazzling dance as well as a vivid *Yosakoi* dance with some volunteering students. All these performances captivated every one in the venue. After that, the students from both schools enjoyed socializing with each other in small groups, where they were involved in many things such as trying a model Malaysian wedding and watching how traditional Malaysian sweets are made. Some Higashi students commented, "Although I was worried about communicating in English, I was glad that I could made friends with them," "There were many people from various countries, and I could learn the differences in cultures".



Global Lecture by Mr. Hiroyuki Sakai from JTB!

On November 23rd, on the school trip a global lecture was held for the second year students. The speaker was Mr. Hiroyuki Sakai from JTB Asia Pacific Headquarters. He started his lecture by asking, "If 80 years of our life were to converted into one day, or twenty-four hours, what time would you be at now?" Then, he explained what his work was about and told some interesting his life experiences by using photos and videos, which touched the student's hearts. He told the students how he spent his junior high school days in Vienna, what he learned from his study in Glasgow, Scotland, and what he felt during the trip to England with his father before he died, all of which are summarized in a phrase "Travel teaches everything important in life." and inspired the students very much. Above all, his message of how important it is to have curiosity was quite encouraging, because, he said, curiosity beats fear away and thus it will help them to get one step closer to your dream.

After the lecture, he politely answered every question from the students. His ninety-minute talk intrigued them so much that they redetermine to study harder and fulfill their social responsibilities in a global frame of mind. Mr. Sakai ended his lecture with this message: "The world is waiting for young people like you to play a leading role not only locally but also worldwide, a role to strive for peace and prosperity, on which course, you should keep yourselves reminded of how much support has been given to you."

Here are some comments from the students: "This is the most impressive lecture that I have ever listened to." "I can think about my future more deeply by listening to a lecture from someone who achieved global success".

