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[Outline]

Observing Classes at the Canadian Academy (CA) as an exchange program

As a part of the exchange program with the Canadian Academy (CA), we have conducted a program to observe classes at the CA this year.
This time, in response to the CA students visiting our school’s cultural festival in May, five students from 3rd grade and five students from 4th grade have visited CA to observe their classes.

Theme Kobe University Secondary School SGH “International City “Kobe” and Global Culture”
Exchange program with the Canadian Academy
Purpose To broaden our horizons and understand in depth not only about English but also about school culture and learning methods,
by actually observing the classes held in English at an international school such as CA.

Scenes of Activities



Receiving welcome speech from the principal



1st period class, “Drama lesson”



1st period class, “Music lesson”



2nd period class, “P.E. lesson”



2nd period class, “English lesson”



3rd period class, “Japanese lesson”



Lunch in the cafe



School tour, Library



School tour, Japanese class

		
School tour, Theater	Words of gratitude	Commemorative photo

Remarks from participating students

3rd Grade, Male

I have participated in this CA exchange program because I wanted to understand the lessons in English which are different from the classes in our school, but the level of English was much higher than I’ve expected and I felt a difference in my English ability. However, I gradually got used to the English level by talking with the CA students and I enjoyed very much talking to them in English. It was also a good experience to see the school facilities and lesson methods which are different from the Japanese schools. Especially, the drama lesson was very interesting.

3rd Grade, Female

First of all, I am really grateful of the opportunity to have such a valuable experience. My purpose of participating in this CA program was to test my ability of communication and English. However, after actually experiencing the natural English at CA, I realized my lack of ability since I could hardly follow the contents of the lessons and couldn’t answer to the questions from the CA students. On the other hand, because of my lack of ability, they tried very hard to communicate with me in Japanese and by using simple English and gestures. From this experience, I was able to feel the CA students’ kindness and I am greatly grateful of their thoughtfulness. Also, it was very interesting to see the class programs which were quite different from the classes in Japanese schools. If there is a similar opportunity in the future, I will like to participate again.

4th Grade, Female (excerpt)

Although we are in the same city, Kobe University Secondary School and Canadian Academy are completely different. Throughout today’s visit to the Canadian Academy, I was able to think more about what kind of education will contribute in raising a person who can play an active part in society, which is highly related to my theme of KP. ...Finally, I am very grateful that I was able to visit the Canadian Academy and learn about how their school is. It was a great experience. Thank you very much!