

## Japan Trip 26'

I just wanted to say thank you very much for the amazing chance to travel to Japan. This trip was really a life changing adventure that changed my view of the world, made me appreciate cultures more and honestly changed what I think good food is. Going on this trip with my classmates made it really special. I am so grateful for every moment we spent exploring, learning and growing together. It was great to learn about Japan's history, modern monuments and local traditions in person which made me respect Japan's heritage and daily life more.

One of the moments that really stood out to me was visiting the Sadako Sasaki statue in Hiroshima. It was a moving experience that I will remember for the rest of my life. I was inspired by Sadako Sasaki's story, her hope to make 1000 origami cranes and the message of peace she left behind. Seeing how much Japan respects her legacy and how it inspires the world made me realize how much one person's story can impact history. It taught me about being strong and caring, making it a highlight of the trip.

Our time in Niigata was also really fun. Gave us a great connection to traditional Japanese culture. I did not know kite flying was such a deal in Japan but trying it out myself was amazing. Visiting the museum was great. The best part was making a traditional kite with my classmates. Flying that kite together was so exciting and required us to work together making it one of the best memories of the trip.

Tokyo was my place we visited with a great mix of formal events and fun activities. Meeting the Mayor of Tokyo was a honor and made the trip really special. We also got to experience the city's atmosphere. Exploring Shibuya, the big mall was thrilling. We had a time at DisneySea, which was fun and gave me a chance to find unique gifts for my family and friends.

This trip was more than a vacation. It was an educational experience. I learned lessons about respecting other cultures, being polite and navigating different social situations. Trying foods, sharing experiences and bonding with my friends made this trip really special. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for making this amazing experience possible.

I will always remember this trip to Japan and the experiences I had. Japan is a special place with a rich history and culture. I feel lucky to have had the chance to visit

Japan and learn about its heritage and daily life. This trip to Japan was an experience I will never forget.