

Joe's NEWS

Selected information from the city magazine "ONOJO"



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Jan. 1st, 2026 issue (No.1)



あけましておめでとうございます
(meaning "Happy New Year!" in Japanese)

May this year will be happy and fruitful for everyone!



When you reached 20 years old, -National Pension-

Everyone whose address is registered in Japan and aged 20 to 59 should enroll in the National Pension Scheme and pay the insurance premiums. However, if you have difficulty paying premiums because of financial reasons, you may be able to defer your premium payments through the following systems. Please contact us for further details.

Special Payment System for Student

If you are a student and have difficulty paying premiums because of economic reasons, you may be able to defer your premium payments through the Special Payment System for Student.

Premium Payment Deferment System

If you are aged 20 to 49 and the income* of you or your spouse is under a certain amount, you may be able to defer your premium payment.

*In the case of the application by June, the income for 2 years ago

*In the case of the application after June, the income in the previous year

Premium Payment Exemption for the Period before and after Childbirth

●**Eligibility** Women who gave birth to a baby on February 1st, 2019 or after

*Application will be accepted from 6 months on or before the due date. (including stillbirth)

●**Exemption Period** for 4 months from a month before the due date or delivery (e.g. In the case of delivery in December, from November to February)

*In the case of a multiple birth event, for 6 months from 2 months before a month of delivery (e.g. In the case of delivery in December, from October to March)

Allowance for Persons with Severe Disability

Onojo City is providing "Allowance for Persons with Severe Disability".

●**Subject Person** Those who fall under all of the following conditions.

- ◇Persons who moved in Onojo City on and before Jan.1st in 2025 and have been registered with Onojo City as citizens
- ◇Persons who have had "Handbook for Persons with Physical Disabilities Level1 or Level2", or "Handbook for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Grade A" during 2025.

* The allowance is not paid in any of the following conditions.

- ◇You are staying at a welfare facility.
- ◇You are receiving pension due to your disability.
- ◇You are receiving other welfare allowance. (Please contact us for details.)
- ◇You were admitted into the hospital for 3 months or more in a row during 2025.
- ◇You have a certain amount of income.

●**Amount** 50,400yen annually

●**How to Apply** Please submit the application form to Welfare Service Section at Onojo City Office.

*The application form is distributed at Welfare Service Section.

●**Necessary Items**

- ◇"Handbook for Persons with Physical Disabilities Level1 or Level2", or "Handbook for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Grade A"
- ◇Pass Book of your bank account

●**Application Period**

Tue, Jan. 13th – Fri, Jan. 30th *except for Saturday and Sunday

*The eligible persons should take necessary procedures every January.

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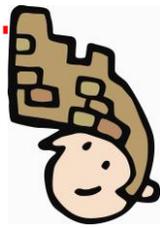
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Junior High School Orientation for New 1st Graders and Guardians

The orientations for enrollment in April 2026 will be held at each junior high school as follows.

●Subject Person

New 1st grade junior high school students in April 2026 and their guardians

●Contents

◇size measurement and sales of school supplies such as gym clothes and indoor shoes

*Explanation of school regulations and things to prepare will be through video.

*Please bring the notice of the orientation given by the elementary school your child attends.

●Necessary Items ◇Pens ◇Slippers ◇Bag to put your shoes in

Schedule of Orientation

Junior High	Venue	Date	Reception Time	Phone Number
Ono	each class	Fri, Jan. 16 th , 2026	3:30pm-	092-581-0153
Onohigashi	Higashi Community Center		2:00pm-	092-503-5101
Ori	Martial Arts Gym		3:30pm-	092-596-2911
Goryo	Gymnasium			092-503-2901
Hirano	Martial Arts Gym	Wed, Jan. 28 th , 2026		092-596-6501

*For further information, please contact each junior high school.

Have you paid the 4th period of Municipal and Prefectural Tax and the 8th period of National Health Insurance Tax?

The deadline of the above taxes is Mon, Feb. 2nd. Delinquent charge will be charged when the payment of these taxes is overdue. Please make sure to pay by the deadline.

●Delinquent Charge 9.1% annually for 2026

*From the next day of the deadline to the day a month passes: 2.8% annually

*Making a payment of municipal tax, national health insurance tax, etc. by direct debit is convenient. For application, please contact us.

Family Farming Experience

Let's enjoy planting seed potatoes together with your family!

●Subject person Families living in Onojo with a child aged 5 up to elementary school students

*Those who can join the potato harvest in mid June 2026 are eligible.

●Date and Time Sun, Feb. 8th 10:30am -12:00pm

*Will be postponed to Sun, Feb. 15th in the case of rain

●Place Nakahata Farm (1-chome Nakahata, Onojo City)

●Limit 20 groups (first-come first-served Basis)

●Fee 500 yen per person will be collected when harvesting in June

●How to Apply Online

*Please apply through online form during the application period by scanning the two-dimensional code below. If you have any difficulty applying online, please contact us.

*1 application for 1 family

●Application Period

from Mon, Jan. 5th at 9:00am to Mon, Jan. 19th at 5:00pm



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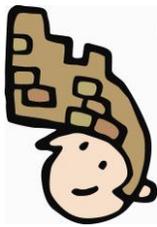
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Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum Information - Japanese History Experience held in January -

Cocoful Workshop

Date	Contents
Sat, Jan. 10 th / Sun, Jan. 11 th Sat, Jan. 17 th / Sun, Jan. 18 th	Let's make a decoration of "Setsubun" (Japanese seasonal event)!
Sat, Jan. 24 th / Sun, Jan. 25 th	Let's try "Origami" (paper folding)!

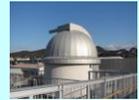
- **Subject person** Whoever wants to join.
*3rd graders of elementary school and younger must be accompanied by their guardians.
- **Time** 10:00am - 4:00pm (Reception is closed at 3:30pm.)
- **Venue** Kids History Experience Room
【1st Floor, Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum】
- **Fee** Free *It will end when materials run out.

Cocoful Experience Workshop

Let's experience "投壺: Touko"
(make a paper container and play by throwing paper arrows to it)

- **Subject person** elementary school students and older
*3rd grade elementary school students and younger must be accompanied by one of their guardians.
- **Date** Sat, Jan. 24th / Sun, Jan. 25th
- **Time** 1:00pm - 3:00pm
- **Venue** Lecture Room
【M2nd floor, Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum】
- **Limit** 10 people / each day
*If applications exceed capacity, a drawing will be held.
- **Fee** 200yen per person
- **Application Period** Thu, Jan. 1st - Sat, Jan. 10th
- **How to apply** Send e-mail or fax to us with the name of event "January's Cocoful Experience Workshop", participant's name, name of guardian (In case of the participant is a 3rd grader of elementary school or younger), telephone number, e-mail address, preferred time written.
*1 application for 1 participant
*For application or further information, please contact us.

Let's go to "Star-dome-madoka" Let's watch the planets together!



- **Date and Time** Sat, Jan. 17th 7:00pm - 8:50pm
- **Contents** ◇ Observing the stars in autumn and winter, Jupiter and Saturn with a telescope

Let's watch the stars together!

- **Date and Time** Sat, Jan. 24th 7:00pm - 8:50pm
- **Contents** ◇ Observing the stars in autumn and winter, Jupiter and Saturn with a telescope
◇ Observing the moon with a telescope

- **Venue** Kita Community Center, Star-dome-madoka
- **Fee** Free
*No registration in advance necessary.
*Junior High School students and younger must be accompanied by their guardians.
*In the case of rain or cloudiness, a story telling will be held in a room.

Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum

Visitors are able to learn the history of Onojo City easily and widely through exhibitions.

- **Closed** Every Monday
*If Monday falls on a public holiday, the museum is closed on the following weekday.
- **Hours** 9:00am - 7:00pm
- **Admission** Permanent Exhibition: Free
*Special Exhibition: Charged
- **Address** 3-8-3 Akebono-machi, Onojo City



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Onojo General Gymnasium Sports Class

Each class targets beginners and you can take exercise at your own pace. You can join any time.

●Venue

Madoka Park General Gymnasium

●Participation Fee

300yen / class (including insurance)

●Necessary Items

casual outfit for exercising, indoor shoes, drink, towel, etc.

●How to apply

Call Onojo Sports Association at 092-503-0021 and tell participant's name, age, phone number, name of class, the day you start joining the class

*Japanese-speaking staff only.

*Please pay participation fee at the reception on the day before a lesson

●Application Acceptance

from Tue, Jan. 6th (first-come first-served basis)



Class	Date, Time	Limit (first-come first-served basis)	Contents
Take It Easy	Jan. 9 th - Mar. 13 th Every Friday 10:00am - 12:00pm	20	Exercise with a step ladder, Muscle strengthening exercise, Stretch
Orientation for Training Room Users	Jan. 20 th - Mar. 17 th 3 rd Tuesdays 1:30pm - 3:00pm	2	How to use training machines

*Each class includes preparation and clean-up time.

*No class on National Holidays

*Class might be cancelled in certain circumstances.

*You can join in mid-tem.

Child Rearing Class for Expecting Couples

Are you expecting a baby? Learn more about pregnancy, child birth and child rearing with other expecting couples. Pregnancy from 24 weeks to 34 weeks will be recommended to join this class.

●Subject person

Expecting women and partners who are living in Onojo City

●Date and Time

Sat, Mar. 7th, 2026 1:30pm - around 4:00pm

●Venue

Sukoyaka Koryu Plaza, 3F

●Details

- ◆Simulated experience of pregnant woman
- ◆Maternity exercise for couples, etc.

●Limit

12 couples

*An expecting woman who has no birth experience and whose due date is coming soon will be given priority in case the applicants exceed the limit.

●Charge

200 yen / couple

●How to Apply

Online through the app "Boshimo"

1. Download the app "Boshimo" by scanning the two-dimensional code below.

2. Access the page of 'Onojo City Online Application' in the app "Boshimo"

●Application Period

from Thu, Jan. 1st to Sat, Jan. 31st



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Facilities Closed and Irregular Service during New Year Holidays

	Regular Holiday					Year-end and New Year Holidays						
	Dec. 25 Thu	26 Fri	27 Sat	28 Sun	29 Mon	30 Tue	31 Wed	Jan. 1 Thu	2 Fri	3 Sat	4 Sun	5 Mon
Onojo City Hall			*1									
Community Center			*2									
Madokapia												
Sukoyaka Koryu Plaza												
Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum												
Reiwa Child Information Center												
Place for the youth, ユープレ (Yu-pure)												
Family Koryu Center												
Ikoi-no-Sato												
Ikoi-no-mori Forest (Campsite)												
Ikoi-no-mori Forest (Central Park, Sports Park)												
Madoka Park, Otogana Multipurpose Park												
Akasaka & Asahigaoka Tennis Court												
Schools Open to the Public												
Clean Ene-Park South (Burnable garbage)							△					
Recycle Plaza (Non-burnable garbage)												
Community Bus "Madoka"	*3	Holiday Time Table										*3

*1...Citizen Service Section will be open from 9:30am to 12:30pm. *3...Weekday Time Table △...Closed after 3:00pm

*2...Regional Administration Center in each community center will be closed on Sat, Dec. 27th in the afternoon due to system maintenance. Regarding other public facilities, please check in the Jan.1st issue of the city magazine "Onojo" (written in Japanese) or contact us.

Kids Cooking Class

Are you interested in learning with your child how to cook Miso soup (bean paste soup) made with dried-sardine-soup stock and rice? The aim of this class is to encourage children to cook by themselves and to eat what they cooked.

●Subject Person

Children aged 5 and 6 (as of Mar.31st, 2026, Preschoolers) and their guardians living in Onojo City
*Each child must be accompanied by one of the guardians.

●Date and Time

Sat, Feb. 7th 10:00am – 12:15pm

●Venue

Sukoyaka Koryu Plaza, Kitchen

●Contents

◇Cooking Onigiri (rice ball), Miso soup, easy side dish

◇Lecture given by a national registered dietitian etc.

*If you or/and your child are allergic to any ingredients, please let us know when applying. We will try not to use them.

●Limit

12 groups
*If applications exceed capacity, a drawing will be held.

●Fee

500yen per group

●Necessary Items

Aprons and Bandanas (for you and your child), Writing materials, Drinks, Chopsticks for your child

●Application Deadline

Sat, Jan. 17th
* No daycare for infants

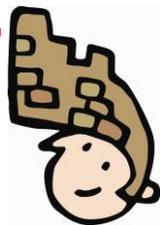


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Viewing the city magazine ONOJO in multiple languages is available through a multilingual translation service "Catalog Pocket"

"Catalog Pocket" is a multilingual translation service which allows you to read the city magazine ONOJO in 10 languages on PC and mobile phone.

*It is free for viewing information posted on "Catalog Pocket", but you are responsible for the usage fee.

●Useful functions of "Catalog Pocket"

Available in 10 languages including Japanese

English, Korean, Chinese (simplified and traditional), Thai, Portuguese, Spanish, Indonesian, Vietnamese

* An automatic translation system is used for the translation.

Convert text to sound and read it aloud

Make font size larger

●How to View

1. Scan the two-dimension code below and access "Catalog Pocket".
2. Search: Type「大野城市 (onojo or onojo city would be acceptable)」in Search Box.
3. Move to the page of Onojo City: the city magazine ONOJO.
4. Click the image of the city magazine ONOJO.
5. Select the language you want to use.
6. Press 「閲覧する (View)」.
7. View the articles in the language you selected.



For further information, please contact us.

Consultation in Foreign Languages FUKUOKA IS OPEN CENTER

●Opening Hours Monday - Friday 10:00am - 5:00pm

*Also open on 3rd Sunday and 4th Saturday of each month

*Closed during year-end, New Year's and national holidays

●Venue

FUKUOKA IS OPEN CENTER General Reception Counter

【Address: ACROS Fukuoka 3F, 1-1-1 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka City】

●We are available for consultation In-person, Online, Email, Phone

●Phone Number 0120-279-906 (Toll-free)

●Support Languages Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Nepalese, Indonesian, Tagalog, Thai, Malay, Spanish, French, German, Italian, Russian, Portuguese, Myanmar, Khmer, Mongolian, Sinhala, Hindi, Bengali, Ukrainian, Urdu

*Consultation is free of charge.

*Your private information will be kept confidential.

*Anonymous consultations are also possible.

●Fukuoka International Medical Support Center

TEL: 092-286-9595

*Available all year round (24 hours per day, 365 days per year)

*Supported Languages:

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Information on Opening Hours

Jan. 5th Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum will be CLOSED

Jan. 13th Onojo Cocoro-no-furusato-kan City Museum will be CLOSED

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