



## Value thinking and acting for yourself

The cherry blossoms are in full bloom all around town, and a lively active season has begun. The cherry trees along the Sannō River near the school are illuminated from the evening, and by the time we head home, they express a beauty quite different from that of the daytime. I have heard that this is the first time they have been lit up since the earthquake. Each day, I feel grateful that we are gradually regaining our former everyday life.

From this April, the vice principal and I have been assigned to this school. Our conversations about the cherry blossoms this morning bloomed as beautifully as the trees themselves. Mr. Miyamae mentioned to me that he went to see the "tunnel of cherry blossoms" the other day before coming to school. This was his current wish.

The things closest to us are the things we take for granted the most. The earthquake helped us to realize the importance of the things around us and be thankful for them.

On April 7, at the opening ceremony of the first term of the 2026 academic year, I spoke to the students about the importance of thinking carefully and acting accordingly. In that context, I told them that the saying, "Seeing is believing," has more to it.



**"Seeing is believing" — It is more important to see things for yourself than to rely only on what you hear.**

**"Seeing is not enough; thinking matters more" — It is more important to think for yourself than simply to observe.**

**"Thinking is not enough; action matters most" — It is more important to put your thoughts into action than to only think about them.**

[It seems that there is more to this saying]

Everything is connected. I mentioned earlier that in order to achieve your goal, you must do these four things; listen to those around you, fact check with your own eyes, then think for yourself and take action. From the power of your response, my faith that you would create a better Anamizu Junior High School was solidified.

All faculty and staff will do our best to support the efforts of the 98 students. We kindly ask for the continued support and cooperation of parents and members of the community.

School Principal Fumiyo Kakimoto

### < School Educational Goal >

Fostering students with solid academic abilities, rich character, and the resilience to thrive in society.

— A school where students are seen and connected with the community —

### April

- 13 (M) Student council committee meeting
- 17 (F) Open school day • PTA general meeting
- 19 (Sun) **Brass band Friendship Concert**  
(Kanazawa Kagekiza hall)
- 20 (M) [National] 3<sup>rd</sup> grade English 3 skills  
Student academic survey  
**Club starting day**
- 21 (Tue) 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Achievement test ①
- 22 (W) 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Achievement test ②  
[Prefecture] 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Basic Academic Skills Survey
- 23 (Thu) 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Bus Excursion  
[National] 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Academic test
- 29 (W•Holiday) **Oku-Noto tournament(basketball)**

### May

- 1 (F) School Assembly/ Student Council General Meeting
- 7 (Thu) Tuition Payment Withdrawal date
- 8 (F) PTA executive meeting ①
- 9 (Sat) **Oku-Noto tournament(table tennis)**
- 11 (M) [National] 3<sup>rd</sup> grade English [Speaking]
- 13 (W) [Prefecture] 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student survey
- 14 (Thu) Evacuation Drill
- 15 (F) Urine test (First session)
- 16 (Sat) **Oku-Noto tournament(tennis/kendo)**
- 21 (Thu) Dental Checkup (All School)
- 27 (W) Midterm Exam ①
- 28 (Thu) Midterm Exam ② • Crime Prevention class
- 31 (Sun) **Noto Brass Band Outdoor Joint Concert**  
(Noto JHS)



## 2026 Anamizu JHS Staff

1 <sup>st</sup>	Yuta Higashino	1-1 (HT)	Social Studies	Track & Field
	Takayuki Sakashitia	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	Science	Baseball
	Kazuyo Shoji	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	Jointclass support	Culture club
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nami Hagihara	2-1(HT)	English	Girls Basketball
	Taisei Yamada	2-2(HT)	English	Boys Tennis
	Tsuyoshi Kumano	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Art · Industrial Art	Kendo
	Mieko Muroya	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Japanese	Culture club
	Wataru Seto	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Math	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kazuhiro Aoki	3-1(HT)	Science	Boys table tennis
	Kozue Iwasaka	3-2(HT)	Japanese	
	Katsuhiko Miwa	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Math	Boys Basketball
	Terumi Hashitani	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	Music · Home Ec	Brass Band
	Oga Umiguchi	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	PE	Girls table tennis
	Haruka Okamoto	Himawari(HT)		Girls Tennis
	Ai Iwamoto	Sakura(HT)		Girls Table tennis

HT...homeroom teacher

Fumiyo Kakimoto	Principal
Hitoshi Miyamae	Vice Principal (PE)
Ayako Ueno	School Nurse
Yoko Chujyo	Lecturer (Nurse)
Yoko Yoshioka	Chief Admin
Chihiro Mizukoshi	Japanese Instructor
Matsuo Mitsui	Tsukyu Instructor
Kazuo Takeshita	School Janitor
Yoko Kakuishi	School Custodian
Jun Kuribayashi	English Support
Yukiko Seki	Study support
Yuya Moriyama	ICT Support(M/Thu)
Hiromi Kawabata	School Support Staff
Jason Pacholl	A L T (Tue/W/F)
Kimiko Yamagiwa	Librarian (Tue)
Mari Uehara	School Counselor (Thu)
Mayu Uehira	School Counselor (September~)

With a staff of 32, we will be supporting our academic activities.  
Thank you for your continued support.

### ◆New Staff Introduction(4/3) 7 new teachers have joined our school.



Principal Fumiyo Kakimoto ... From Wajima Toyo JHS  
 Vice Principal Hitoshi Miyamae ... From Uchinada JHS  
 School Nurse Ayako Ueno ... Newly Appointed  
 Lecturer Ai Iwamoto ... New Graduate  
 Lecturer Oga Umiguchi... New Graduate  
 Lecturer Mieko Muroya ... From Anamizu Elementary School  
 Japanese Instructor Chihiro Mizukoshi ... From Wajima JHS

### ◆Entrance Ceremony (4/7) Welcoming 20 new students!

On April 7, when the cherry blossoms were in full bloom, our entrance ceremony for the 2026 school year was held. This year, 20 new students joined our school-15 from Anamizu Elementary School and 5 from Koyo Elementary School. Now, our school has a total of 98 students.

At the ceremony, Principal Kakimoto, in her speech, told the new students to value the "3 ai", "Manabiai(learning together), Mitomeai(recognizing each other), and Kagayakiai(shining together). In addition, the head of the PTA association Mr.Ishigaki shared words emphasizing that it is important to maintain a spirit of challenge.

Then, as the representative of the new students, [redacted] made a strong pledge to challenge these two things; "build good relationships with others" and "try his best for the upcoming school life". He spoke with determination to become a source of pride for Anamizu town.

By working together with their senior students, it is hoped that they will carry on the existing traditions while future developing Anamizu Junior High School into an even better school.

