

# KUMAGAYA FRIENDS



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## How to prevent becoming a victim of crime

For the year-end and New Year holidays, there are many opportunities to be away from home by shopping, or visiting a Shinto shrine at New Year's, or going back to one's home country and a trip. Beware of Home Invasion burglary, snatch or street robbery, and transfer fraud / hand delivery fraud. These are the best ways to avoid being crime victims.

### Against Home Invasion burglary

- Lock the doors and windows properly.
- Lock the door even for a short time, e.g. taking out garbage
- Attach two locks to each door and window if you can.
- Put a security film on the window or install security glasses.

### Against Snatching / Street robbery

- Attach a security cover to the front basket of a bicycle properly.
- Walk on busy well-lighted street.
- When you walk on a quiet street or late at night, beware of a stranger, a motorcycle or a bicycle approaching from behind you.

### Against Wire fraud / Delivery by hand fraud

- Even if you are home, try to set an answering machine.
- Once you hang up the phone, check with your family directly if you receive a fraud phone call from a stranger who pretends to be part of your family. Making a family password in advance would be recommended.
- A phrase 'Go to an ATM to get refund...' is always a fraud. Never happen to get refund from an ATM.
- Don't contact a number stated in a postcard that says that you will be sued. Notify a police station. Important documents concerning trials such as lawsuits will not be sent by postcard.
- A phrase 'Let me keep your cash card to renew.' is always by a fraud who comes at your door. Never hand your cash card and never tell the PIN code to a stranger.

- If you are asked to send money by post mail or home delivery service, it is always a fraud. Be aware and keep in mind that it is illegal to send money by post mail or home delivery service.
- If you receive a suspicious call or postcard, consult with your family or notify a police station or a city hall.

**Inquiry** Kumagaya Police Station  
TEL 048-526-0110  
Public Safety Section Ext.332



## Let's chat in Spanish!

**Date: March 2nd, Saturday, 2019**

**Time: 1:30 p.m. ~ 3:30 p.m.**

**Place: Kumagaya city Green Center  
(next to the Kumagaya city hall)**

**Fee : 500 yen**

Advance application needed  
( You need to be a member of KIFA before attending this workshop. The membership fee/year is ¥ 1,000 ).  
For further information, please feel free to contact us.

## ☆ KIFA ☆ Information

Kumagaya International Friendship Association



## Japanese Language Class

You can learn Japanese for your daily life. All you need to do is just turn up on the day and fill in the registration form.

Date & Hours=

- 2 pm-4 pm Every 1st & 3rd Sundays
- 10 am-12 noon Every 2nd Thursdays

Place=Green center ( next to the Kumagaya City Hall )

Fee= 100yen ( \*free of charge for members )

### Office Information

**Days:** Monday through Friday (Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays)

**Hours:** 8:30 am to 5:15 pm

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## Population (As of December 1st, 2018)

**Population: 197,744**

**The number of Foreign Registrants: 3,312**

