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March 20 \sim	Dune: Part Two	Sub
March 29 \sim	Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire	Sub
March 29 \sim	Oppenheimer R15+	Sub
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Movies might be changed without notice. So please check the homepage for information.

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ONE POINT JAPANESE

「~ところ」の 使い芳

A:こんにちは。お休みの ところ、すみません。

Konnichiwa. Oyasumi no tokoro, sumimasen. (Sorry to bother you on your day off.)

B: リンさん、どうしたんですか。 Rin san, dōshitan desu ka. (Hi, Rin. What wrong?)

A:子どもが 熱を 出して しまって、......。

Kodomo ga netsu o dashite shimatte ... (My child has a fever.)

日曜日、診て くれる 病院は ありますか。

Nichiyōbi, mitekureru byōin wa arimasu ka? (Is there a clinic that will see us on Sunday?)

B:心配ですね。山本病院が 開いて いますよ。

Shimpai desu ne. Yamamoto byōin ga aite imasu yo. (You must be worried. Yamamoto Clinic is open.)

地図を 送りますね。

Chizu o okurimasu ne. (I'll send you a map.)





A:このあいだ、雪が 降ったでしょう。

Kono aida, yuki ga futta deshō. (It snowed recently, right?)

いつもなら 20分で 行ける ところを、1時間も かかったんだよ。

Itsumo nara, nijippun de ikeru tokoro o, ichi jikan mo kakattan da yo. (Usually, I can get there in 20 minutes, but it took me a whole hour!)

B: 道が こおって いたからね。

Michi ga kōtte ita kara ne. (It was because the road was frozen, wasn't it?)

A:自転車通勤の リオさんは、すべって 大変だったんだって。

Jitensha tsūkin no Rio san wa, subette taihen dattan datte. (Rio cycles to work; she had a hard time with her bike slipping.)

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What's New?

Niihama City

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Imported Asian Foods Shop in Saijo

(Ehime Shimbun: March 8, 2024)

"I want foreign people living in Saijo to enjoy the taste of their home country." And so in January Takahashi Haruka opened the Haruka shop in Kambai, Saijo. The shop, which sells foods imported from Asian countries such as Vietnam, the Philippines, China, and other countries, is popular among foreigners living in the city. Takahashi Haruka (52) from China says enthusiastically, "I'd like to sell a lot of people foods which can't be obtained easily in Saijo."

When she came to Japan in the late 1990's, she felt sad because she could not get her favorite Chinese foods easily in Ehime prefecture. That experience motivated her to open the shop. Although there are supermarkets and big commercial facilities in the city, we can't say there are a lot of Asian foods. That's why she decided to open a shop to provide the foods indispensable to the daily lives of foreign people.

Over 100 kinds of foods such as fish sauce, spices and other seasonings, Pho, and Philippine—style Yakisoba line the shelves of the shop. Besides the Filipino and Vietnamese who

have come to know the shop by word of mouth and through social media, Japanese customers have also come to the shop to buy food introduced on TV and YouTube. Taking advantage of her own small shop, she can order goods specially after receiving requests from customers.

According to the city's Tourism Promotion Division, the number of foreign people living in Saijo was 1,076 in 2005. As of the end of January this year, the number was 1,731, which is the largest in the past year. In late 2023, the number increased by more than 30 in one month. She is thinking of mobile sales and food delivery to business offices and company dormitories where foreign people work and live. She says, "I'd like to do my best to make a lot of people happy."

Open: $3:00 \text{ pm} \sim 8:30 \text{ pm}$ on weekdays

10:00 am ~ 8:30 pm on weekends and national holidays

Closed: Sporadically

Further information: 090-7788-1639

Morioka Gakumu





"YADON BUS" Runs

Between Shikokuchuo-shi and Takamatsu Airport

(Nikkei: February 1, 2024)

The YADON ("Slowpoke") BUS comes to Ehime. Bus and taxi company Seisan Kanko (Kanonii-shi, Kagawa Prefecture) has introduced a limousine bus decorated with images of Slowpoke, a character from Pocket Monsters. It started running on February 3.

The lovely design shows Slowpoke relaxing at leisure against the background of the Sanuki Plain and Seto Inland Sea. Seisan Kanko says it is the first time for the YADON BUS to run outside Kagawa Prefecture.

The limousine bus running between Shikokuchuo-shi and Takamatsu Airport started service in July 2019. The bus transports around 1,000 people per month including users in Kagawa. Two limousine buses run six round trips a day. The new Slowpoke-decorated limousine bus is mediumsized with capacity of 20 passengers.



Ear Trouble Caused by Earphones

(Ehime Shimbun: October 29, 2021)

The number of earphone users has increased due to remote work and other reasons. Be careful not to use earphones that don't fit your ears, nor use them for extended periods of time. Choose earphones that are a suitable shape and size for your ears, and keep the part that touches your inner ear clean. Try to use one earphone at a time to reduce ear stress caused by overuse. Keep the volume at a moderate level. Please consider also using speakers and headphones, to break up earphone use.

If you feel a slight pain or itch in your earhole, it could be a sign of otitis externa, more commonly known as swimmer's ear. Don't ignore ear ringing or fatigue, and refrain from cleaning your ears as it may cause inflammation. Go see the ENT doctor if symptoms continue.

April Events

Special Exhibition: "Shin Ninia Exhibition"

Period: April 20th (Sat) to June 23th (Sun) Place: Ehime Prefectural Science Museum Special Exhibition Room

Exhibition Contents: Ehime and Ninja, Truth of Ninja, Tools of Ninja, Ninja experience, Place of Ninja Test, Experience of Shuriken

Special Exhibition Ticket: Senior high school and over \\$900, 65 years and over \\$800, Elementary and junior high school ¥600 Info: Ehime Prefectural Science Museum TEL 40-4100



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☆ A Guide for Living in Niihama



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