

ALT Newsletter



News

- Happy New Year: 2021! **Hooray!** Did you watch the first **sunrise** of the new year? It seems so dramatic!
- 3rd Year Exams: It's time for the last official high school tests for the third-year students. Do your best!!!
- Heated Tables: *Kotatsu* are the best! When Christine moved to Japan, she knew that she must buy one. We don't have this kind of **furniture** in Canada. She spent most of her winter vacation in her *kotatsu*.



New Year Resolutions (January 1st)



People make **resolutions** on the 1st of January because they want to become a better person. "New Year, New Me" is a popular **saying**. The most common **goals** include learning a new skill or becoming healthier.

Christine Recommends...

"Blue Period" is a dramatic story about Yugo, a student who decides to become an artist. He has never drawn before, but decides he wants to enter the best art **university** in Tokyo.



In Canada...

Many people play ice hockey in winter. When you play ice hockey you need a lot of **equipment**. You will see lots of kids carrying big bags so they can go play with their friends.



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goal: 目的 university: 大学 equipment: 装置

Around the World

New Years is celebrated all over the world. Every country has their own traditions they do so they have a good year. People who live in South America and want to travel will carry an empty suitcase with them for a day. In Spain it is good luck to eat exactly 12 grapes at the beginning of the year. Each grape is equal to one month, so if you eat 12 grapes you will have 12 lucky months. Most people celebrate New Year's on January 1st but not everyone. If you are someone who is religious, you might celebrate New Year's in April or even August. People in Thailand celebrate New Year's in April and splash each other with water to wash away the old year and start a new year.

Bring on
the
NEW YEAR!



Penalty game?

