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JTAN March Newsletter - 2013

President's Message

Dear JTAN members,

Welcome to all continuing and new members.
Only a few weeks into the year and we are already so busy.

All workshops and exam applications should be working well on the website now thanks to our IT man! There will be a few changes in the format for some of the workshops so keep an eye out for those. Also remember to apply for your exams and for the workshops before the deadlines to save stress later on.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the JTAN Committee, Naoko, Shoji, Sally and Belinda and the Exam Directors. They all work very hard to provide exams and workshops for members and I am sure that they would appreciate your thanks if you get a chance!

Hoping to see many of the Extension teachers on Saturday 6 April for the New Extension Course Workshop.

Regards,

Liz Sugimoto
President JTAN

Upcoming Workshops

New Extension Course Workshop

Saturday 6 April

9.45am-3.30pm

Registration and payment

Friday 22 March

Year 12 Continuers Day for students

Saturday 8 June

9.30am-12 pm or 1pm-3.30pm

Registration and payment

Friday 17 May

Year 10 Cultural Day for students

Thursday 18 July

8.45am-2.40pm

Registration and payment

Friday 14 June

Year 12 Beginners Day for students

Thursday 20 July

am and pm sessions

Registration and payment

Friday 14 June

AGM Workshop

Saturday 12 October

Exam Writing Workshop

Saturday 30 November

9.45am-3.30pm

Registration

Friday 15 November



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HSC ORAL LANGUAGES EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

The timetable for the [2013 HSC languages oral examinations](#) is now available on the Board's website. The HSC languages oral examinations are held on Saturdays in August and September (except for Modern Hebrew and Korean).

From 29 May teachers will be able to view the dates, times and venues for all oral languages examinations on [Schools Online](#), and can schedule their students' examinations from Monday, 3 June 2013.

Specific information about examination times and venues will be made available to students via [Students Online](#) approximately three weeks before their examination date. Students can find additional information on how to prepare for their oral examination on the [HSC languages oral examinations – advice to students](#) page on the Board's website

A summary of dates are as follows:

Japanese Continuers (Saturday 7 September, 2013)

- 9.00 am to 4.00 pm (Conversation)

Japanese Extension (Saturday 14 September, 2013)

- 9.00 am to 4.00 pm (Monologue)

Japanese Beginners (Saturday 14 September, 2013)

- 9.00 am to 4.00 pm (Conversation)

Heritage Japanese (Saturday 7 September)

- 9.00 am to 4.00 pm (Discussion)



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JTAN HSC EXAM SETTING WORKSHOP

The JTAN HSC Trial Exam Setting Workshop was held at the Japan Foundation on Saturday 1 December, 2012 from 9.45am -2pm.

There were 27 teachers who participated in this workshop focusing on creating exam questions for the JTAN 2013 Beginners and Continuers HSC Trial papers. Everyone worked very hard to create original listening, reading and writing scripts and produced new global questions for each text. Feedback from the day was that it was productive – “many heads are better than one” said one participant. It was a collaborative and collegial day and we thank all those who participated to make the day a success. The workshop will be held again in 2013.

We thank the JTAN exam directors for their efforts. The JTAN exam directors will edit the content prior to the production of the 2013 Trial papers.

Sally Mizoshiri

JTAN Workshops

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Accreditation Matters provides information about the latest updates to accreditation policies and procedures at the NSW Institute of Teachers.

This issue of *Accreditation Matters* provides information about updates to professional development policy for teachers maintaining their accreditation at Professional Competence.

You can read the latest issue (click on link)

<http://www.nswteachers.nsw.edu.au/NewsDetail.aspx?PageID=218&ItemID=133>



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REMINDER : PAYMENTS TO JTAN

A reminder that payments to JTAN for ALL workshops/exams/membership can only be paid in the following ways;

1) Cheque / Money Order

Please make your cheque payable to:

Japanese Teachers' Association of NSW

Post your Cheque / Money Order (noting the purpose of payment) to:

JTAN Accounts, Japanese Teachers' Association of NSW

PO Box 6453 North Sydney 2060

OR

2) Electronic Transfer

Please make sure that you identify your transfer with your name and purpose of payment and transfer to:

Westpac Banking Corporation

23-25 Broughton Street, Milson's Point Branch

BSB: 032-195 **Account No.:** 17-4882

Account name: Japanese Teachers' Association of NSW

Our ABN is: 94 045 344 808.

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REMINDER : JTAN PASSWORD

JTAN highly recommends all members change their passwords every so often for access to the JTAN website. Follow the options from the navigation box as below:





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The JTAN committee would like to say thank you to all members who have renewed their membership for 2013 and warmly welcome our new members. We look forward to working with you all this year.

