

what is new around the world?!?



A English language newsletter for students at Chuo Secondary Edited by Talisha



Welcome back!!! And HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! I hope you had a great holiday. I know many of you have been studying hard or had club activities, but I hope you found time to relax with your family. It's a new year so let's do some fun new things this year! I wish everyone a happy new year and a wonderful 2018!!!

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# NO PANTS!?!?

On Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, thousands of people took off their pants on subways in cities around the world. In New York, the 17<sup>th</sup> annual "No Pants Subway Ride" took place in the -8C weather. Random passengers get on a subway car at different train stations without pants. This event started in 2001 when seven guys did this as a joke but has now turned into an international celebration of being funny.



## WHO'S VISITING JAPAN?

In 2017, Japan

had reached a record high on foreign visitors. Last year 28 million visitors visited Japan, which is 20% more than last year. The ministry of Land, Transport and Tourism has a goal of 40 million international visitors by 2020. But where do these travelers come from. 26% are from China, 21% from South Korea, 17% from Taiwan, 12% from other Asian countries, 5% from America, 2% from Australia, 1% from the UK and Canada and 6% are from other parts of the world

## TALISHA'S PICK

**English Song of the Month:** "Finesse (Remix) Ft. Cardi B – Bruno Mars **English Movie of the Month:** "Coco" 「リメンバー・ミー」

### WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD IN 2018!!!

1. The Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea in early February

PyeongChang 2018 Prince Harry of England and American actress Meghan Markle will marry in May.

3. The World Cup in Russia will take place in June and July.



**RUSSIA 2018** 

The movie "Black Panther", which is a unique new superhero movie, will be in theatres this spring.

5. The first week-long trip around the moon for normal tourist will happen this summer.

#### LET'S VISIT: IRELAND

What do you do with your Christmas tree after Christmas? In Ireland they held a Christmas tree throwing contest on January 7<sup>th</sup>. Germany will have the same contest later this month. More than 200 people join in the fun. Now, the world record for throwing tree is 12 meters.

> If you would like to practice your English, write an article for What's New?! The best articles will appear in next month's newsletter and the writers will win a prize! Please give your article to Talisha by **February 9th**.