

Top 10 News Items for Kamogawa in 2021



- The departure of Mayor Kameda and welcoming of Mayor Takao Hasegawa. (March)
- Kokuho Municipal Hospital moved into a new building. (May)
- The COVID-19 vaccination efforts.
As of December 5th, 88.5% of Kamogawa's population has been vaccinated.
- The 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games (July/ August)
The Olympic torch came to Kamogawa during a ceremony featuring Kamogawa's own, Kunezaki Katsumi. The women's soccer team from the Netherlands also paid a visit to Kamogawa. Students from Saijo participated in making the ceremonial Paralympic fire.
- Completion of the *Kiyosumi sando* Loop Bridge. (September)
This years-long project finished with a disaster-proofed road leading to Kamogawa's Kiyosumi and Yomogi area.
- 800th Anniversary of Holy Priest Nichiren's birthday. (February)
Tanjōji Temple and the surrounding area celebrated the birthday with a variety of events.
- The renewal of the city homepage. (August/September)
This was accompanied by the development of a city LINE account.
- Josai International University starts talks with the city about what to do with their land and facilities after they close their doors.
- Kominato Satoumi School finished construction. (August)
This will be a facility that can be used for events and sports-related projects from now on.
- The Maebara - Yokosuka beach area will start a revitalization project to bring in more visitors to Kamogawa. (December)



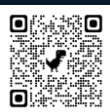
Information about Booster Vaccine

Vaccine coupons for the 3rd round of COVID-19 vaccination shots will begin being sent out to people who have gotten their 1st and 2nd shots.

The health history form and the vaccine coupon will be on the same paper for the 3rd round of vaccinations. Please take note, and do not misplace this paper.

Questions:

COVID-19 Vaccine Promotion Office (04-7093-7151)



Be careful of Norovirus

Norovirus is a virus that flares up during the winter months and is usually passed through undercooked shellfish. It can pass from person to person very easily as well. People with weakened immune systems, young children, and the elderly may also have very severe reactions to this virus. The virus stays in your system for 1-2 days and may cause vomiting, diarrhea, stomach pain, a small fever, among other symptoms.

Ways to prevent Norovirus:

- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water. Hand sanitizer has little effect on norovirus.
- If you are worried, do not eat raw shellfish. When cooking, cook meat until it has an internal temperature of between 85-90°C for at least 90 seconds.
- Norovirus is easily passed through bodily fluid/waste. If you are taking care of someone or have to clean a toilet or other space used by someone with norovirus be extra careful. Use Hypochlorite Nitrium Sanitizer 「次亜塩素酸ナトリウム消毒液」 when cleaning.

Questions:

Health Promotion Division (04-7093-7111)

Let's climb Mt. Nokogiri!

This is a meet-up for hiking fans who are up for very scenic hike. There will be plenty of scenery and things to see, like stone statues embedded in the mountainside, on this hike.

Please wear appropriate clothing and shoes for hiking. You will have to wear a mask as well.

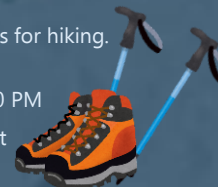
When: January 23rd, from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM

Where: Meet at Hotasho-mae Parking Lot in Kyonan Town

Fee: 1,000 yen (+ 500 yen to rent walking sticks)

What to bring: towel, drinks, a lunch, something to sit on (like a tarp, etc.)

Questions and Apply: KIRA (04-7093-5931)



Financial support for households with children

If you...

- have been receiving Child Allowances from the city since September 2021
- currently have a child who was born in between April 2nd, 2003 and March 31st, 2022

... you may be able to get financial support for your family from the city.

Important Notes:

Households currently receiving Child Allowances should have already been paid and informed by December 27th, 2021.

You must apply to receive this financial support **if you are not currently receiving Child Allowances**

Eligible households will receive 100,000 yen per child.

Questions: Child Support Division (04-7093-7113)



Disaster Prevention Hike!

If you would like to learn more about how to prepare for disasters please join this short hike around Kamogawa. We will walk from Tojo Community Center to Tojo Elementary and learn about disaster preparation. We will also Kyoninji Temple and to see the canola flowers, and even get to try some edible flowers!

This event is limited to 10 people so be sure to sign-up! We will cancel for rain. We will have lunch together as a group so don't forget to pack something to eat!

When: January 16th, from 10AM to 2PM

Where: Tojo Community Center (at 9:50AM)

What to bring:

disaster prevention pack, a lunch, drinks, something to sit on (like a tarp, etc.)

Please apply with the **KIRA Office** (04-7093-5931) by Wednesday, January 12th.