

Nara City Information for Residents

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Copies available on request at:

Nara City Hall Information Counter, Nara City Hall Shimin-Ka Counter,
Nara-shi Shimin Service Center (Nara Family 5F), Nara City Tourist Center,
Public Health Center (4F, Hagukumi Center), Chubu Kominkan, Seibu Kominkan,
Hokubu Kaikan, Chuo Library, Seibu Library, Kintetsu Nara Station,
Nara City Tourist Information Center (by JR Nara Station), Nara Chuo Post Office
and Nara-Nishi Post Office.

[Inquiries in English] Phone: 0742-22-5595 (9:00-17:00) E-mail: nsgghyk@gmail.com



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Photo: Wakakusa Yamayaki (Bonfire)

How to Use Mobile Phones and Smartphones in The Event of A Disaster.

Disaster Prevention-Related Apps

Apps can receive push notifications with disaster prevention information such as emergency earthquake warnings and heavy rain forecasts, as well as information on disasters, evacuations, power outages, etc. Let's make use of them.

NHK News Disaster prevention app



Yahoo! Disaster prevention bulletin app



Kansai power outage information app



Inquiries: Kikikanri-Ka (Crisis Management Section) Tel. 0742-34-4930

Starting February 3 (Mon.), Business Hours and Phone Hours Will Change

Current
Until Jan. 31 (Fri.)
From 8:30 till 17:15

New Hours
Starting Feb. 3 (Mon.)
From 9:00 till 17:00

Facilities and institutions affected by the change:

- City Hall. Hagukumi Center.
- Each branch office and the Administration Center, Higashi Terabayashi Liaison Office.
- Corporate Bureau. Fire Department (fire station business window), etc.
- * Telephone answering hours at the city's call centers will also change to the above hours.
- * Hours of operations at cultural and sports facilities, libraries, *Kominkan* (Community Centers) will not change.
- * Opening hours on Sundays for the citizen service department and *Seibu Shutcho-sho* (West Liaison Office) will not change.

Inquiries: Sougoseisaku-Ka (General Policy Division) Tel. 0742-34-4786

Garbage Collection

Garbage Collection Schedule at The Beginning of the Year

Please bring garbage to the collection site before 7:30 on the day.

Date	Burnable Garbage	Plastic Packages & Containers	Unburnable Garbage
Jan. 4 (Sat.)	-----	A, B, D, E, F, G	-----
Jan. 6 (Mon.)	A, B, E, F	No collection	No collection
Jan. 7 (Tues.)	C, D, G, H	No collection	-----
Jan. 8 (Wed.)	-----	C, H	A, B, E, F
After Jan. 9 (Thurs.)	Normal schedule		

The garbage collection time may be past 16:00 in some areas due to the larger amount of garbage than usual.

* The area of City Seibi-Kosha & Co. Ltd. is scheduled according to the distributed garbage collection calendar.

Collection of Dead Animals

Collection of dead animals will begin on Jan. 4 (Sat.), but the collection of dead animals on Saturdays is limited to 4 (Sat.) only.

Collection Dates & Areas After Jan.9 (Thurs.)

Area	Burnable	Unburnable
A, F	Every Mon. & Thurs.	Jan. 8 (Wed) & 22 (Wed.)
B, E		
C, H	Every Tues. & Fri.	Jan.15 (Wed.) & 29 (Wed.)
D, G		

*January 13 (Holiday) will be scheduled according to the garbage collection calendar.

Areas A, B, C, D are covered by Nara City and Areas E, F, G, H are covered by City Seibi-Kosha & Co. Ltd. or Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso J.V.

The collection days will differ from the above schedule in some areas, so please check the Nara City website.

Inquiries: Shushu-Ka (Collection Section) Tel. 0742-71-3012

City Seibi-Kosha & Co. Ltd. Tel. 0742-33-8782

Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso J.V. Tel. 0742-63-2552

Vaccination Notices

* Japanese encephalitis vaccinations will start (for those born in January 2022)

* Preliminary Examination Leaflets for Vaccinations were sent in late December (for those born in November 2024)

Inquiries: Kenko Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section) Tel. 0742-34-5129

To register for vaccinations and the list of designated medical institutions →



Medical Checkups for Babies and Children

(Checkup Name (Eligibility))	Date	Place
4-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in October 2024)	From 4-month birthday until the day before turning 5 months old	Designated medical facilities in Nara City
10-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in April 2024)	From 10-month birthday until the day before turning 11 months old	
19-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in June 2023)	Feb. 6 (Thurs.), 13 (Thurs.), 20 (Thurs.), and 27 (Thurs.)	Chuo Hoken Center (Central Health Center) (Hagukumi Center 2F)
3-1/2-year-old Babies Checkup (Born in July 2021)	Feb. 4 (Tues.), 18 (Tues.), and 25 (Tues.)	

Things to bring: The questionnaire and *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*. The questionnaire will be mailed in January. Those who moved to Nara City after January 1 and have not received the questionnaire by the checkup day should contact Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Health Section).

Inquiries: Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

Maternal and Infant Health Care Consultation

Hagukumi Center 3F

Consultation by phone or face-to-face with public health nurses or midwives (appointment required)

Date & Time: 8:30-17:15 on weekdays, 9:00-15:00 with midwives.

Application: Call Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother's and Child's Health Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

Tsuge Hoken Center

Consultation by phone or face-to-face with public health nurses or nutritionists

Date & Time: 8:30-17:15 on weekdays

Traveling consultation with public health nurses

Date & Time:	Place
Jan. 22 (Wed.) 10:00-11:30	Tawara Kominkan (Myogacho)
Jan. 24 (Fri.) 10:00-12:00	Tsukigase Fukusi Center (Tsukigase Oyama)

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*

Inquiries: Tsuge Hoken Center Tel. 0743-82-0341

Tsukigase Health Consultation Room

Phone or face-to-face consultation with public health nurses (appointment required)

Data & Time: 9:00-16:30 on weekdays.

Inquiries: Tsukigase Health Consultation Room Tel. 0743-92-0480

Hello, Visiting Babies (under four months old)

For those who are worried about rearing babies

(a midwife or a public health nurse will visit your home)

Those eligible: Those who want to consult about breast-feeding or those whose baby's birth weight was under 2,500g

Application: Apply to Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Health Section) by phone (Tel. 0742-34-1978).

You can also send a dedicated application form or the green postcard which was delivered with *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*.

For those who have no particular worries

A city-commissioned counselor will call you and visit your home

Inquiries: Kosodate-Sodan-Ka (Child Consultation Section) Tel. 0742-34-4804

Saturday Kids --- Let's Play with Origami (Folding Paper) ---

Date & Time: Jan. 25 (Sat.) 9:30-11:30

Place: Higashinosaka Jido-Kan (Kawakami-cho)

Instructor: Members of *Origami-no-wa*

Capacity: 15 children under junior high school age. *Preschool children must be accompanied by their guardian(s).

Applications: Please call Jido-Kan directly. Tel. 0742-27-8263.

The application process will close as soon as the capacity is reached.

Workshops for Pregnant Women, Parents & Babies and Dental Checkups

Fluoride Coating for Tooth Decay Prevention for Children Born in January 2023

Date & Time: Jan. 17 (Fri.) 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00 (30 minutes each)

Place: Central Health Center

Contents: Dental check, learning about tooth brushing, and fluoride coating

Capacity: 25 babies each time

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*, a toothbrush which is not worn out, and towels

Deadline for application: Jan. 14 (Tues.)

Ha-Pika Class for One-year-old Babies (Tooth Decay Prevention Class)

Date & Time: Jan. 21 (Tues.) 10:00-11:00

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Capacity: 24 pairs of a first-born child born in January 2024* and their guardian

* Children born between October and December 2023 and their guardian may also participate

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and the currently used toothbrush or some gauze for wiping the baby's mouth

Deadline for application: Jan. 16 (Thurs.)

Paku-Paku Class for Five-month-old Babies (Baby Food Class)

Date & Time: Jan. 22 (Wed.) 10:00-11:15

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Contents: Lecture about baby food by a dietitian and talk about child rearing by a public health nurse.

Capacity: 32 pairs of a first-born child born in August 2024 and their guardian

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and the baby food leaflet included in the checkup questionnaire for four-month-old babies

Deadline for application: Jan. 17 (Fri.)

Maternity "Happy" Check (Dental Checkup for Pregnant Women)

Date & Time: Jan. 23 (Thurs.) 9:30-11:30

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Contents: Dental checkup, learning about tooth brushing and fluoride coating (on request only)

Capacity: 28 pregnant women between 16 and 32 weeks of gestation on the day

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and a towel

Deadline for application: Jan. 16 (Thurs.)

Papa & Mama Salon

Date & Time: Feb. 14 (Fri.) 9:30-12:00

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Contents: Lecture about baby and child rearing by a public health nurse and a midwife and practicing how to bathe a baby

Capacity: 16 pairs of a first-time pregnant woman between 22 and 32 weeks of gestation on the day and her partner (Pregnant women can participate by themselves)

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*

Deadline for application: Feb. 7 (Fri.)

[Inquiries] Call Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother & Child Health Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

Cancer Examinations (February)

Please apply to Kenko-Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section) by phone or fax, or on the Nara City website.
Free of charge for those who are on social welfare or belong to households receiving residential tax exemption.
Please notify us of such when you apply.

Application Period: January 6 (Mon.) 8:30 – January 20 (Mon.) 17:15

Stomach and Lung Cancer Examinations

Date	Reception Time	Place	Capacity
Feb. 7 (Fri.)	9:15 - 10:15	Kita Fukushi Center	26
Feb. 10 (Mon.)	9:15 - 10:15	Seibu Shogai Sports Center Club House	27
Feb. 12 (Wed.) Feb. 14 (Fri.)	8:45 - 9:45	Hagukumi Center	33 each
Feb. 27 (Thurs.)	9:00 - 10:00		
Feb. 13 (Thurs.)	9:15 - 10:15	Tomio-Minami Kominkan	27
Feb. 17 (Mon)	9:15 - 10:15	Co-op Oshikuma	27
Feb. 18 (Tues.)	9:30 - 10:30	Tomigaoka Kominkan	26
Feb. 19 (Wed.)	9:15-10:15	Naramachi Center	27
Feb. 20 (Thurs.)	9:15-10:15	Miato Kominkan	27
Feb. 25 (Tues.)	9:45-10:15	Seibu Toshokan	10 each
	10:15-10:45		
Feb. 26 (Wed.)	9:15-10:15	Tomio Kominkan	27

Lung Cancer Examination

Date	Reception Time	Place	Capacity
Feb. 7 (Fri.)	14:00 -15:00	Hagukumi Center	60

Stomach Cancer Examination: X-Ray (involving drinking barium on that day)

Lung Cancer Examination: Chest-X-Ray (including tuberculosis test)

Fee: 1,500 yen

(1,000 yen for stomach cancer examination only and 500 yen for lung cancer examination only)

600 yen as an additional fee for sputum test based on a general check-up for lung cancer

(Postage might need to be paid)

Those eligible: People over 40 years old

The following people are excluded

Pregnant women; those who had stomach, lung, or intestine surgery within the past 5 years or are in treatment; those who have barium sensitivity or had aspiration (lung cancer examination is possible); those who had an endoscope stomach cancer check by Nara City in this or the previous fiscal year (stomach cancer examination is possible); and those who had a lung cancer low dose CT scan by Nara City in this fiscal year.

Others: For those who are breastfeeding, please notify us of such when you apply. The examination interval is once a year. There might be cases when you may not be able to take the examination depending on your health or questionnaire.

Inquiries: Kenko-Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section) Tel. 0742-34-5129 Fax. 0742-34-3145

For more information, please click here. ⇒



Minami Fukushi Center

45-1 Minami-nagai-cho, Nara 630-8443 Tel. 0742-62-3730 Fax 0742-62-3780

Exchange Event Among Generations “Minami de Tsunagari Festival”

Date & Time: Jan. 25 (Sat) 10:00-15:00

Contents: Playing with old children’s songs, cafe, exhibitions by circles, etc.

Others: Please visit by public transportation, because parking space is limited.

A New Year Classical Concert in the Lobby

Date & Time: Jan. 28 (Tues.) 13:00-13:50

Those Eligible: People 60 years old and over, and their family members

Children approximately under 5 years old, and their family members

2025 “Dezome-shiki” Ceremony, or New Year Fire Brigades’ Parade

Date & Time: January 11 (Sat.) 10:00-11:45

Place: Rohto Nara Konoike Park (Horen Sahoyama 4-chome)

Other Events: Besides the parade and fire extinguishing practices, *Butajiru*, (miso soup with pork and vegetables) will be served.

Inquiries: General Affairs Section of the Nara City Fire Department Tel. 0742-35-1199

For more information, including cancellations, please visit the Nara City website. →

(written in Japanese)



Shiryo Hozon Kan (Historical Materials Preservation House)

1-1 Wakido-cho, Nara 630-8337 Tel. 0742-27-0169

Closed on Mondays (except holidays) and Feb. 12 (Wed.)

Special Exhibition: “*Masakaki-Houno* (Dedication of *Masakaki* to Shinto Deities) during *Setsubun*”

Records of this event remain in the historical documents “*Naramachi-Sajiki*”

Date & Time: Jan. 28 (Tue) to Feb. 22 (Sat.)

Contents: Picture postcards and so on documenting how, since the early Showa period (between 1926 and 1938), the *Geisha* of Ganrin-in-cho dedicated *Masakaki* (branches of the sacred *sakaki* tree with colored streamers) to deities around *Setsubun* (Feb. 3rd).

Naramachi Nigiwai-no-Ie

5, Nakanoshinya-cho, 630-8333 Tel. 0742-20-1917

New Year’s *Kura* Exhibition, “*Tako de Tsunagaru Oshogatsu*”

(New Year event, connected with kites)

* *Kura*: traditional Japanese storehouse

Date & Time: Jan. 4 (Sat.) - 31 (Fri.), 9:00-17:00

Contents: Exhibition of kites visitors draw

Mochi (Rice cake) pounding for celebration the New Year, 2025

Date & Time: Jan.12 (Sun.) 13:00 -, 14:00-

(Numbered tickets will be distributed 15 minutes before the event.)

Contents: Mochi pounding and “*Zenzai* (Mochi with sweet *azuki* beans) “ will be served.

Capacity: 50 people for each

Nara- Art Space
“ *Hana Mizuki* Exhibition (Flower display)”

Date & Time: Jan. 20 (Mon.)-Jan. 24(Fri.) 9:00-17:00

Place: Entrance Hall of Nara City Hall

Inquiries: Bunka-Shinko- Ka (Culture Promotion Section) Tel. 0742-34-4942

Naramachi Center

38 Higashi Terabayashi-cho 630-8362 Tel. 0742-27-1151

Exhibition of *Hyakunin-Isshu*, (a Japanese Poetry Anthology “One Hundred Poets, One Poem Each”) & a Picture Story Show

Date & Time: Jan. 7 (Tues.) – 19 (Sun.) 10:00 – 17:00 (Until 16:00 on the last day.)

Naramachi New Year’s Postcard Contest Exhibition

Date & Time: Jan. 22 (Wed.) – Feb. 2 (Sun.) 10:00 – 17:00 (Until 16:00 on the last day.)

Contents: Exhibition of all entries including the special award winners

Nara City Museum of Calligraphy in Honor of Kason Sugioka

3 Wakido-cho 630-8337 Tel. 0742-24-4111

Brush Writing Experience Corner

Date & Time: Jan. 11 (Sat) - 13 (Holiday) 9:00-17:00

Contents: You will use paper that can be written on with water. It will be an easy calligraphy experience.

Fee: 300 yen for adults

240 yen for groups (20 people or more)

Free admission for persons 16 years old and under, and high school students

Free admission for persons 70 years old and over, and physically challenged persons (certificate required) and their caregivers living in Nara City.

Daijo-In Temple Garden Heritage Center

1083-1 Takabatake-cho, 630-8301 Tel. 0742-24-0808 Fax. 0742-24-0807

Panel Exhibition of Works from the Irie Taikichi Memorial Nara City Museum of Photography

Date & Time: Until Feb. 16 (Sun.) 9:00 – 17:00

Lifelong Learning Center Gallery Exhibition

Kohitsuji-no-Kai Calligraphy Exhibition: Children's Calligraphy

Date & Time: Feb. 7 (Fri.) - Feb. 9 (Sun.) 10:00-17:00

(From 13:00 on the first day and until 16:00 on the last day)

Lifelong Learning Center

23 Surugamachi 630-8357 Tel. 0742-26-8811, Fax. 0742-26-8813

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Salon Concert: Sumo Jinku for January (Free Entry)	Jan. 19 (Sun.) 14:00-15:00 Sumo talk and performance of sumo jinku (songs in the Japanese musical scale, sung at sumo events) by Narayama Sumo Jinku Group	Not Necessary

Heijo Nishi Kominkan

25 4-chome, Jingu 631-0804 Tel. & Fax 0742-71-5711

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Children's Festival: Let's Get Together! (Free Entry)	Feb. 2 (Sun.) 10:00-14:00 A picture story show by Takacchan, music performance, a playground, etc.	Not Necessary

Miato Kominkan

204-1 Gojo-cho 630-8032 Tel. & Fax. 0742-34-5954

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Yamayaki Viewing from Miato (Free Entry)	Jan. 25 (Sat.) 9:00-17:45 Hands-on experiences of yoga, free style calligraphy, Chinese poem recitation, taisho koto (Japanese harp with two to five strings), boccia, tea ceremony, and more, and a music performance Jan. 25 (Sat.) 18:00-19:00 Yamayaki (mountain burning) viewing * Children younger than elementary school students must be accompanied by guardians.	Not Necessary

Mikasa Kominkan

313-3 4-chome, Omiya-cho 630-8115 Tel. & Fax 0742-33-0515

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Leisurely Parenting Café (Free Entry)	Jan. 31 (Fri.) 10:00-12:00 Childcare information exchange meeting (including consultation for single parents and children with disabilities) and picture book reading * For parents or guardians with children aged 0-elementary school students (Children allowed)	Not Necessary

Tomigaoka Minami Kominkan 921-1, Nishi 2-chome Nakayama-cho 631-0013 Tel. & Fax. 0742-47-6375

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Local Youth Art Exhibition * Free Entry	Exhibit of paintings and photographs of local youth January 18 (Sat.) - 30 (Thurs.) 9:00-17:00 (Excluding closed days)	Not necessary

Nimyo Kominkan 3684 Gakuen Akamatsu-cho 631-0027 Tel. & Fax 0742-46-9113

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application Deadline
A gathering of koto (Japanese zither) and singing voices * Free Entry	Concert by “Nimyo Koto group” and “Ensemble Ai” January 12 (Sun.) 13:30-15:00 * Adults (those who work and study in Nara City are also attend.)	Not Necessary

Education Center **KIDS LEARNING FLOOR**

Class Name	Date & Time	Application Deadline
Planetarium: “Nijiro and Seasonal Constellations--- The Story of Orion ---” Capacity: 40 seats each time	Every Saturday, Sunday and holiday after Jan. 11 (Sat.) 1. 10:30-10:50 2. 13:30-14:00	Reception on the day
Story Class: “Nezumi-Jyodo (Pure Land for Mice)”	January 11 (Sat.) 11:00-11:30	Not necessary
Movie Screening: “Manga Japanese Old Stories, Yoro Falls / Sparrows, Woodpeckers and Turtledoves“ Capacity: 200 seats	January 26 (Sun.) 13:00-13:30	
Night Planetarium: “Kimagure Planetarium --- We will deliver the seasonal starry sky ---” Capacity: 40 seats (From elementary school upper graders to adults. Adults by themselves can also apply.)	January 31 (Fri.) 18:30-19:10	Reception on the day
Programming Class: “Programming Class by Senior High School Students --- Let’s play with light and sound ---” Capacity: 9 children in the 3rd to 6th grades in elementary school each time	February 1 (Sat.) 1. 10:30-12:00 2. 13:30-15:00	January 13 (Mon.)

Robot Class: “Robot Class by Senior High School Students” Capacity: 10 children in the 1st to 6th grades in elementary school each time	February 2 (Sun.) 1. 10:30-12:00 2. 13:30-15:00	January 13 (Mon.)
Space Class: “Let’s Fly a Balloon Rocket!” Capacity: 18 children in the 1st grade and over in elementary school each time	February 8 (Sat.) 10:00-11:30	January 20 (Mon.)
Science Experiment Class: “Let’s Play with Electricity --- Let’s see and make electricity ---” Capacity: 18 children in the 1st grade and over in elementary school	February 9 (Sun.) 10:00-11:30	
Programming Class (Medium): “Let’s Make a Starving Zaurus by Scratch” Capacity: 12 children in the 3rd grade and over in elementary school	February 11 (Holiday) 1. 10:00-11:30 2. 13:30-15:00	
Science Experiment Class: “Miracle! Science! Secret of Water Changing Color --- Using purple cabbage color water ---” Capacity: 12 children 5 years old and over each time (age 5 and over)	February 22 (Sat.) 1. 11:00-11:40 2. 14:20-15:00	February 3 (Mon.)

Place: Hagukumi Center, 9th fl.

Application: Online application on the Nara City Website. A lottery will be held if there are too many applications.

City Website ⇒



Others: Reception on the day starts 15 minutes before the starting time and will end upon reaching capacity. Participants must be accompanied by guardians. Other classes will be held besides the above. The planetarium is available for exclusive group use. (Application necessary) Please refer to the city website or call us directly for the latest information.

Inquiries: Kyoiku-Shien-Ka (Education Support and Consultation Section) Tel. 0742-36-0401

Usa Kagura Votive Performance

This performance of *Aso Kagura* (sacred shinto music and dancing), which has been carefully passed down in Usa City in Oita Prefecture, will be dedicated at the worship hall of *Temukeyama-Hachimangu Shrine*. Please come and see this ancient traditional performing art.

Date & Time: January 18 (Sat.) 11:00-11:30

Place: *Haiden* (a hall of worship) at Tamukeyama-Hachimangu Shrine (Zoshi-cho)

* Admission might be restricted if the hall reaches capacity.

Inquiries: Kanko Senryaku-Ka (Tourism Campaign Section) Tel. 0742-34-4739

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Wakakusa-yama Hill Grass Burning Festival on January 25 (Sat.)

This traditional event is called a harbinger of early spring in Nara. Please enjoy watching the beautiful fireworks in the dark sky and the vigorously spreading flames along the hillside.

Place: At the foot of Wakakusa-yama Hill

Schedule & Time: *Nogami Jinja Saiten* (Nogami Shrine Festival) will start at 17:40.

Fireworks will begin at 18:15.

All the grass will be set on fire at 18:30.

* The event schedule is subject to change, depending on the circumstances.

* Many photographoss of Yamayaki were taken using a long exposure; they are different from the event's actual appearance.

Traffic restrictions will be enforced on the day. Please use public transportation.

Inquiries on the day: Tel. 050-3626-2211

(IP-Phone service. It may not be accessible from pre-paid cell phones or some IP-Phones.)

Inquiries: Wakakusa Yamayaki Gyoji Jikkō In-kai (Wakakusa-yama Hill Burning Event Executive Committee) c/o Nara Park Office Tel. 0742-27-8677

O-Tondo (A Big Bonfire) at Kasuga

A three-meter-high bonfire will be installed at Tobihino field.

Old talismans, lucky charms, and *shimenawa* (straw ornaments for New Year's Day) decorations are burnt and people pray for good fortune and a huge harvest of grains

*Used *shimenawa* and other items will be accepted until 16:30.

In case of rain, the event will be postponed to Jan. 26 (Sun.)

Date & Time: Jan. 25 (Sat.) 13:00-18:00

Place: Tobihino field (in Kasuga Taisha Shrine, Kasugano-cho)

Inquiries: Nara City Tourism Association Tel. 0742-30-0230