Sports Facilities in the City Will Now Be Easier to Use!

Those Eligible for a 50% Reduction in Usage Fees

The program for discounting and exempting sports facility usage fees, which had previously applied only to elementary and junior high school students, will be expanded starting April 1 (Sun.).

Eligible:
- Elementary/junior high school students, high school students, people over 65 years of age
- Persons with disabilities (for personal use only)

Please present your Physically Disabled Person’s Handbook, Developmental Disability Handbook, or Disabled Person’s Handbook when visiting.

A Fee Will Be Applied for Cancellations Made within Two Days of the Reservation Date

Previously, a fee was charged only for cancellations made on the day of the reservation, but from April 4 (Wed.), cancellations made within two days of the reservation date will also be subject to a charge.

This is being done to ensure that cancellations occur earlier so others can use the facilities.

Childcare Services for Sick Children Begin!

Starting March 1 (Thu.), Juntendo University Urayasu Hospital will begin childcare services for sick children.

The system can accommodate children who are unable to attend nursery schools due to illness, such as fevers.

Q. What kinds of illnesses is this service available for?
A. It can be used for infectious diseases such as the common cold, influenza and mumps, along with bodily injuries and other conditions approved by your doctor.

Q. Are the rooms separated?
A. Children with infectious diseases are separated depending on their symptoms.

Q. What should I bring when using the service?
A. - Registration card
  - Medical referral and other necessary documents
  - Medicine prescribed by your doctor (including detailed explanations about dosage, etc.)
  - Two extra sets of clothes
  - Three large plastic bags
  - Other items as necessary

Q. Do I need to bring lunch?
A. Lunch and snacks will be provided, if specified on your application. Please apply by 9 a.m. on the day of use if you would like baby food, lunch or snacks provided to your child. If you are unable to apply by 9 a.m. or your child has allergies, please bring lunch for your child.
Looking for “Playful Touches”

In East Asian cultures, February 4 is the beginning of spring. When I walk around town, I can feel the first signs of spring when I see plum trees and Kawazu cherry trees starting to blossom.

The theme of this column is “a stroll,” and Urayasu, being a place built on flat reclaimed land on the Edogawa River Delta, is a great place for walking. Whenever I have time, I like to walk around the city, and even on routes that I usually take, I can discover playful touches on the road that entertain the people walking.

In the Shimmachi area, Chiba Prefecture and the Japan Housing Corporation (currently the Urban Renaissance Agency) have been carrying out planned development, but under the first basic plan in 1978, most of the residential areas were zoned for single homes. However, the idea of “walking around town” was kept, and boardwalks and green areas in Urayasu, and there are many playful touches lined along them that make it more fun to walk. Hopefully, you will also stroll around town to discover these touches.

I believe that if more people enjoy walking around town, Urayasu will become an even more bustling city, full of vitality.

A Stroll with the Mayor

Etsushi Uchida, Mayor of Urayasu City

Recyclable Waste Disposal Schedule for March

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* Please put out your garbage between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. It is against the rules to put it out earlier or later than this designated time as it could become a nuisance in your neighborhood.
* Bulky items will be collected separately on request by phone. Call the Bulky Items Reception Center: 305-4000. For inquiries, contact the Garbage-Free Section.

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