

Recently, it has become very hot and humid in Konan. It seems like winter was only last week. It was a little strange coming back to Japan after going home for Golden Week, but I soon readjusted and I am enjoying my teaching life again. Many funny and strange things happened this past month.

I saw one student with a bandaged hand. When I asked him how he hurt his hand, he said "I don't know." I was very confused.

I began swimming with the swimming team. At first, I felt really embarrassed to wear a swimsuit in front of the students. But, as soon as I started swimming I began to feel even more embarrassed about my slow swimming. I think I am the slowest swimmer at Konan JHS. One day, I hope I can swim 100m without stopping!

I joined the track and field team for their training. I am also a very slow runner, but the students were very forgiving. I enjoyed talking to them, and seeing how hard they work inspired me to work hard as well. Even though I am bad at sports, I want to try to do them with the students anyway.

The prefectural sports tournament was this month, and I enjoyed going with the girls' and boys' basketball teams to their games. Although both teams couldn't advance, it was still fun seeing them try hard. I ran into some graduated students as well, and it was fun catching up to them.

I traveled to Wakayama Prefecture with the girls' basketball team. It was a long bus ride,

but it was nice seeing a new prefecture. Although I had to wake up very early for the bus, I want to travel with the team again!

May has been very eventful, and I'm excited to spend my summer here in Japan. I hope we can enjoy the summer together!

