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# 印象記

## IMS impression

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### 1. October IMS, perfume

Walking in the IMS garden in October, fragrance floats in the air everywhere. This scent comes from the petals of sweet osmanthus. I realized a lot of bush being arranged in tiers in front of IMS buildings. This kind of shrub does not grow in Taiwan. Starting from the end of January, I was here more than nine months.

### 2. January, arrive IMS

Though it is the second time for me to visit IMS, I am still confusing of the circumstance at beginning. Within one week, I have a chance to visit Chiba University. We take Shin-Kan Sen to pass through Tokyo. When closing to Tokyo, from the train I saw Fuji Mountain. It is the first time for me to see it. The top of Fuji Mountain is covered by snow. It is hard to describe how pretty it is. One more week later I also attend a nano-medicine conference. This is the first time for me to know the activeness of Japanese science.

### 3. April 10, Cherry blossom view Festival

There is an Okazaki river crossing the downtown. In my first time visiting Okazaki, I leave in the Grand Okazaki Hotel. It is close to the riverside. I already realized this is a

beautiful river. Certainly close to the hotel there is an Okazaki castle. Nowadays most of Japanese castle is turned into museum. Archeology is always fascinating to me. In April, there is a blossom view festival. Many people come to the riverside, with some friends or families, enjoy their meal and drinking. But amazingly enough it is not clamor. Along the river bank there are many cherry blossoms cultivated with pink and white colors.

### 4. August 1, 2009 fire work festival

In August 1st there is a very famous fire work show. Starting from the noon, there is a parade with samurai suits. At the night time, many people dressed traditional Japanese kimono joining the annual celebration. However, after two third of the fire work show there came a heavy rain.

I then learned that since Tokugawa Ieyasu (徳川家康) the cherry blossoms were brought up and the wire work had been hold for a long time. I like a country with tradition.

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