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Connect with regional memories when you explore Kobe's historical heritage



If you have any questions about ward office procedures, financial support for raising children, etc.



Tap here to visit the website!

Call the Kobe International Community Center (KICC)!

078-742-8721 (11 languages)



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### Kobe's Historical Heritage ~Tarumi Ward & Suma Ward~

From the historical mansions of the Kitano district to the key-shaped Goshikizuka Tumulus, Kobe has many historical sites that are famous in Japan. However, Kobe's historical heritage also includes traditions and cultural practices that are protected and beloved by local communities.

#### Miyano Shrine's lion dance

This lion dance has been held each year in October to offer thanks for the harvest and pray for a bountiful harvest in the following year. A team of two young people perform this dance, in a style that has been passed down and remained largely unchanged since the early Showa period (mid-1900s). They strive to protect this tradition and ensure that this piece of history does not disappear.



Address: 2349-8 Aza-Nashihara, Myodani-cho, Tarumi-ku

#### The fabled site of Emperor Antoku's imperial palace

Legend has it that during the Genpei War (1180-1185), when the young Emperor Antoku fled with the Taira clan, his temporary royal residence was in Ichinotani. During the Meiji period (1868-1912), local residents began conservation efforts to preserve this place as a site of legend. To this day the Ichinotani Conservation Society continues to ensure that this site retains its beauty



Address: 2 Ichinotani-cho, Suma Ward

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### Kobe's Historical Heritage ~Kita Ward~

#### Arima's Geiko culture



During the Edo period (1603-1867), visitors to Arima Hot Springs would be graced with the hospitality of Yuna ("bathhouse women"), who would perform songs at dinner venues. These women were the embodiment of hot spring culture. Later, they continued their traditions as Arima Geiko, and they supported the region's many events throughout the year. Today, anyone can enjoy experiencing the songs and dances of Geiko culture at Geiko Café Ito.

Address: 821 Arima-cho, Kita-ku

Inquiries: contact@arima-geiko.com

FAX 078-904-0197 (Weekends only)

### Kobe specialty Daggertooth Pike Conger



This sea eel is in season from the rainy season (June-July) to November. While the summer catch has a light flavor, conger that are caught in autumn have a richer flavor because they fatten up after spawning, and are called "Nagori

Hamo". Because these conger grow up in the riptides of the Akashi Strait, their flesh is firm and filling, and they have become a new Kobe delicacy.

## COVID-19 Information

### If you have been diagnosed with COVID-19

#### ◆ People at high risk of severe COVID

The public health center will make regular phone calls to check on the status of your health. Until the end of your convalescence period, they will coordinate outpatient care and house calls by a doctor as needed, as well as provide advice and guidance on treatment.

#### Who is "high risk"?

People aged 65 or over; pregnant; have an oxygen saturation level of 95% or below; or have an illness such as obesity, cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), chronic kidney disease (CKD), cardiovascular disease, diabetes, etc.

#### ◆ People at no risk of severe COVID and have light/ no symptoms

The public health center will not call you, so please self-monitor your health. If you have any concerns about your health or feel strange, please contact the Home Convalescence Follow-up Center (自宅療養フォローアップセンター) in your follow-up guide.

### Convalescence period (\*All COVID-19 cases)

#### If you have symptoms

(Ex.) If symptoms have lightened at least 7 days after onset of symptoms

#### Days after onset of symptoms



#### If you do not have symptoms



#### ◆ After finishing convalescence

After finishing the mandatory convalescence period, you can request to receive by mail an official form that verifies your convalescence period.

## COVID-19 Information

### Receive an Antigen Test Kit in the mail

To reduce the strain on the medical system, symptomatic people aged 6-59 will be mailed antigen test kits instead of being admitted to a hospital or clinic.

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If you receive an antigen test kit from Kobe City and your result is positive, please fill out the "Positive Test Application Form" (陽性の方の申請フォーム). A doctor at the public health center will prescribe you medication if they determine it is necessary.

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### 4th COVID-19 vaccination dose

#### ◆ Eligibility

At least 5 months have passed since your 3rd dose of the vaccine, and one of the following applies:

- ① Aged 60 or over: You will receive the vaccination voucher in the mail
- ② Aged 18-59, and you have an underlying health condition/are considered high-risk by your doctor/are a medical professional/work at a facility for the elderly: You must apply for a vaccination voucher.

\*Tap here for instructions on applying for a vaccination voucher (only people under category ②)!

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## Commuter Pass Subsidy for High School Students

Kobe City will help cover part of the cost of a high school commuter pass that exceeds a certain amount.

**Application period:** January 4 - April 14, 2023

**Eligible period:** September 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023

**Subsidy amount:** If the recipient lives in Kobe, and the cost of their student commuter pass during the eligible period exceeds 84,000 yen, Kobe City will subsidize 1/2 of the exceeding amount

**Ex.) If the pass costs 105,500 yen**

$(105,500 \text{ yen} - 84,000 \text{ yen}) \div 2 \Rightarrow 10,700 \text{ yen subsidy}$

**How to apply:** The parent or guardian should apply via the e-KOBE website. There may be cases in which the application must be done on paper, so please check the website for details. (JP)



**Required documentation:** You must provide a file attachment showing the front side of the commuter pass. Please make sure to take a photo of the pass and save it to include in your application.



#### Inquiries:

Administrative Affairs Center (行政事務センター)  
High School Commuter Pass Subsidy Section  
(高校生等通学定期券補助係)

☎ 078-291-5952

FAX 078-381-6675

FAQ (JP)→

