## St Tiernan's Community School Adult Education Programme

# Japanese School

## **Dublin Japanese Saturday School**

**Day/Time:** Saturday 9:00am-4:30pm

**Duration:** 40 weeks

Tutor: Fee:

### **Course Description**

The Japanese Saturday School was founded to provide compulsory school education for Japanese children whose ages are between 6 and 15. It follows the Japanese government guidelines for teaching and thus the pupils can keep up with the Japanese basic scholastic level.

The very first lesson was held in 1976, with only 9 pupils in Blackrock. Since then, the school site has been changed twice and has now settled in St. Tiernan's Community School. There are now more than 50 pupils in primary school (between 6 and 12 years old) and others in junior high school. Some children come from as far away as Cork or Belfast.

The school implements traditional and cultural events in school following the calendar, so that children can feel and enjoy the Japanese culture. These include a Sports Day, a Cultural Day, a Christmas party and a tanabata which is the Star Festival on July 7th each year when children write their wishes on the strips of paper and put it on a bamboo tree. The Japanese New Year and setsubun (the coming of Spring) are also celebrated.

#### **Enrolment Details**

You can enrol online at www.adultedtiernans.ie, over the phone (086 7902260) or in person at one of our enrolment evenings.

The school and its management accept no responsibility for loss or damage to the property of students, including vehicles on the grounds.









