

# HugNet

*On this earth, Always, somewhere, morning is starting!!*

## According to the latest HugNet

### The Beginning

It was the first meeting day. Although everyone was a little bit nervous, everyone became friendly little by little.



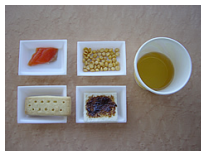
### The Learning Day

On this day, the groups and the countries in charges were announced. After that, everyone learned about the countries with True or False questions.



### Learn from Foods!

We learned the food culture of the countries by having the real foods.



### Learn about Japan !



We invited a guest speaker, and learned about not only the culture of Choshi, but also the Japanese culture.

### Internet

Network helps people communicate. We learned about the Internet.



### HugNet Achievements

Sri Lanka, Egypt, UK, Chile, NZ, Indonesia, USA, Belgium, Australia, Showa Station, etc...



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### What is HugNet?

Intercultural experiences during the juvenile era with the feeling of astonishment and impression enable children to recognize who he or she is, and to enhance their intellectual curiosity. HugNet is BeCom's original program that nourishes their communicative ability. Through this program, by realizing themselves as one of the members of this planet and experiencing the pleasure to communicate in the large network, children become able to respect others, and to have the strong eagerness to surve in the glocal-scale fields with the positive identity that they can get through HugNet.

### Contents of HugNet

HugNet is the communicative program that starts from Choshi, the city where the sun rises earliest in Japan, toward all around the world, and HugNet is also the on-line intercultural exchange program whose concept is "On this earth, always, somewhere, morning is starting" from "Morning Relay" by Shuntaro Tanigawa. Before the HugNet, some pre-learning days are included in the program, and it improves the communicative skills by learning manner of Internet and English conversation, and researching the countries. Finally, on the HugNet day, through the Internet, students communicate

with the people, who we asked beforehand, at 10:00 am of the five different countries' time.



Children who communicate with the people in Egypt

### Necessity of HugNet

Recently, it is remarkable that young people uses Internet overripely, and that communicative skills and the sense of ethics among young people have been weakened. Meanwhile, the globalization has been expanded with the great speed. In order to conquer this ironical situation, we set our aim to help children obtain the capability that is necessary for their future, such as ability of using ICT and speaking English, by making children experience the large network, international understanding, and communication simultaneously. As a result, this program can improves the educational level of ICT and language, moreover, this can revitalize intergenerational communication such as local

community. Besides, since this program is took place in Choshi, the city of the edge of Japan, by bringing out the uniqueness of this area, it is also possible to enhance the transmission of information from this area, and to promote the regional activities whercollege students can voluntarily participate.

### Schedule of HugNet

Learning Days: September 2nd, 30th (Sun)  
HugNet Day : October 13th(Sat)-14th(Sun)  
OVERNIGHT

<Place>

Learning Days : 市民センター(Shimin Center)  
勤労コミュニティセンター

(Kinro Community Center)

HugNet Day: 銚子市立飯沼小学校 体育館

Iinuma Elementary School. Gym

<Requirement and Cost >

Requirement: 5th, 6th Grades 30 People

Cost : 3,000 yen

(Cost of learning day, oncost of HugNet, Insurance)

<Required Number of Stuffs >

College Students Leader 12 People

(Children's Care, Group Leader)

24h on-line Radio Group 15 People

Volunteer Stuffs About 20 People