

A week in Japan

A week in Japan? Fourteen girls and two staff
Maths, technology, ice cream and sushi – my, what a laugh!
We left together from London, all dressed in tour hoodies
And returned a week later, suitcases all crammed with goodies.

Day One started so early, we had breakfast at seven
So we could head to the temple to practise Zazen.
We sat quietly and mindfully on a cushion or stool,
Then a quick bit of baseball before it was on to the school.

Day Two was wet but we still left at nine
We walked through the rain to a beautiful shrine.
Then off to the goths, the punks and a crazy traffic light
Sushi-making next, before a breath-taking view of the night.

Day Three dawned brighter, we'd planned quite a lot
We started at the Honda museum, with Asimo the robot
But it was the Team Lab light show that just blew us away
Before we tried hands-on experiments to round off the day.

The clock was ticking on, we were on to Day Four
When the earthquake simulator had us all on the floor.
The Trick Art Museum seemed to mess with my mind
And the Robot Restaurant? Funny? Weird? Definitely one of a kind.

But time whistles past and Day Five came too soon
We started with Japanese history and culture till noon.
Then to the tea house to chill out, drink Matcha and just stop....
Before exploring Akihabara, the manga, the anime and the J-Pop.

And so on to the last day, and it was just so hard to say goodbye.
Girls, you were such a credit to yourselves – but now it's time to fly...
Thank you so much to everyone, especially to Mrs Ramage and Katsumi-san,
I'm absolutely sure we will never forget our amazing week in Japan.