

# Embassy Exchange Program

## 1. Date and venue

Date: Thursday, July 4, 2024  
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm  
Venue: Embassy of Portugal in Japan

## 2. Participants

16 students from the English Club

## 3. Counterpart

Mr. Tiago de Brito Penedo, Deputy Head of Mission  
Ms. Kinoshita Maho, Cultural Advisor  
Embassy of Portugal in Japan

## 4. Schedule

### 1. Greetings

### 2. Presentations on Portugal by students

- Four student representatives made presentations about what they studied about Portugal

### 3. Commemorative photos

### 4. Presentation on Portugal by embassy official

### 5. Questions and answers

### 6. Thank-you speech by student representative

### 7. Commemorative photos

# Tokyo Metropolitan Higashi High School Visit to Embassy of Portugal



Portrait of the poet Luís Vaz de Camões (paper-cutting art)



Presentation by Higashi High School students

Presentation by the embassy's cultural adviser



## 5. Additional information

- ◆ Four student representatives made presentations on Portugal's history, sweets, tourist spots, music, and more based on their research, and sung the national anthem of the Republic of Portugal.
- ◆ Portugal and Japan commemorated a 480-year long friendship in 2023. The presentation by Cultural Advisor Kinoshita covered the topics such as the history of the first Portuguese who introduced guns to Japan during the Age of Exploration.
- ◆ The students learned that the renowned Portuguese poet Luís Vaz de Camões had written an epic poem praising the Portuguese achievements during the Age of Exploration, and that the anniversary of the poet's death is designated as a public holiday.