

## Other Special Events:

In addition to the regular workweek, there are several events that the team is able to participate in yearly. Some of these events connect our teachers to the larger community where friendships can be built and nurtured. Other events expand the awareness of Christianity in the area. These events allow the team to work together or with small groups on projects and have a larger impact:

- School Opening Ceremony—the team is introduced to parents
- Yearly team In-service—a weekend “brush up” on teaching skills
- Easter Program—an outreach for kids that presents an opportunity for the team to share the Gospel and present fun activities
- Christmas Program—another Gospel outreach and a chance for evangelization and fun with the kids
- School Festival—a summer festival with students
- School Christmas program—usually the team sings a few songs live
- “Heart to Heart”—an event with other foreigners who live in the same town
- Folk and Pop Concert—a chance for some teachers to perform on stage
- School “Undokai”—an amazing sports day for 3-5 year old children
- School “Bunkasai”—a cultural festival featuring artistic achievements
- Step Test Practice—a chance to help students in small groups prepare for exams
- Speech Contest Practice—helping a few advanced students memorize speeches in English for a national competition
- Mansfield/British Hills Orientation—helping students prepare for a homestay abroad
- Special Trips—free, fun, and occasional trips to resorts or excursions to nearby places of interest