

1. 🏖️ Shonan Bellmare Hiratsuka Beach Opening

The Shonan Bellmare Hiratsuka Beach is open from Saturday, July 19 through Sunday, August 31. Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Temporary parking lots will be open on weekends, holidays, and from August 12 to 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Inquiries: Beach Park office — 0463-23-4781

2. ⚽ Upcoming Match at Lemon Gas Stadium (August)

On Saturday, August 16, Shonan Bellmare will face FC Tokyo. Kickoff: 7:00 p.m.
Advance tickets: ¥2,500 for adults; ¥900 for elementary to high school students
Same-day tickets: Additional ¥500

3. 🧑🏫 Sports Classes Starting in September

Hiratsuka City is launching various sports classes to promote citizen health. Offerings include Tai Chi, Yoga, Zumba dance, and Aqua aerobics. For class schedules, fees, and other details, please visit the *Machizukuri Foundation* website.

Contact: 0463-35-0102

Application deadline: Friday, August 15

Online registration is available via the foundation's website.

4. 🗒️ Volunteer-led Japanese Classes

Hiratsuka offers several free Japanese language classes led by local volunteers. These include:

- The Hiratsuka International Exchange Association
- Kabela Japanese Language Group
- Shonan JRC
- Yokouchi Project

Want to know where and when? Visit the Hiratsuka City website for full details.

5. 🗒️ Immigration Procedure Fee Changes

Starting April 1, 2025, fees for various residency procedures have been revised. For example:

- Changing your residence status now costs ¥6,000 (up from ¥4,000)
- Permanent residency: ¥10,000
- Re-entry permits: ¥4,000 for single, ¥7,000 for multiple entries
- Certificate of employment qualification: ¥2,000

For a full list, check the Immigration Services Agency website.