

DAY-3 24th December

“Thinking about Sustainable Society”

Group: **T**

“Santa Came Through with the Science”

Today morning, we had the honour of listening to Edahiro-sensei speak about “Energy, Backcasting and Systems Thinking” and learnt thinking frameworks with universal applications that would stay with us for a long time to come. The fact that we could turn the cyclical nature of issues on its head by changing the dynamics of the cycle from vicious to virtuous through targeting the root cause was particularly thought-provoking. Shortly after the lecture, we departed for the Toshiba Science Museum where we learned about many fascinating technological advancements. Afterwards on the bus ride back, we had donuts! Merry Christmas uwu~. 😊



“Well Fed, Bellies Full”

Mu’az: There were many new concepts that I’ve learned today such as Systems Thinking. It was a great and exciting opportunity to visit the Toshiba Science Museum.

Arla: I found the ‘Backcasting’ way of thinking very interesting. I loved how it allowed us to use our imaginations in creating solutions to a sustainable future.

Ren: The lecture from Ishibashi san was fascinating and allows me to deepen my perspectives by sharing thoughts with my teammates!

Nikita: After the visit to Toshiba Science Museum, I felt heartened that large corporations like Toshiba are using their human and financial capital in line with SDGs.



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“Vision for the next generation”

Today we had the privilege to have a lecture with Ms. Edahiro about sustainability, energy shift, backcasting and system thinking. We learned that not everything should be sustained, but we should think what we need to sustain. Based on the yesterday's lecture of Vision, today we got a clearer understanding about the 2 ways for creating a vision, which is forecasting and backcasting approach. In the afternoon, we visited the Toshiba Science Museum. We had so much fun listening to Mr. Ishibashi when he talked about the history of technology, and how could we relate the future technologies with SDGs. By the way, Christmas dinner and the donuts were awesome XD



“Member’s thoughts”

Shin: I could learn lots of meaningful things today. For me, the lecture Mr. Ishibashi gave us was really great. As I am interested in computer related topics, it was so interesting.

Yuzu: I became more interested in technology through Mr. Ishibashi's lecture.

Tewton: From the Toshiba Science Museum, the lesson I have got is “Nothing is perfect but that imperfection may be the best.”

Mouse: I had a greater understanding how future technology affects the sustainability of a country. Christmas dinner was simple but warm for me.



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Group: **C**

“Super Secret Santa”

Waking up in the lovely cold morning, we had an insightful lecture by Dr. Edahiro on sustainability. We found it inspiring, interesting and definitely useful for our futures. Then, we made our journey to the Toshiba Science Museum, passing special landmarks while eating delicious bento on the bus. After our arrival, we were amazed by how much technology evolved in 250 years. We got to witness old technologies and their subsequent future potentials in the science museum itself. Back into the classroom we wrapped up with a discussion on interesting ideas and linking SDGs to current technology. There was a long bus ride back with songs from different countries and a surprise of donuts! Upon our arrival, we went to restaurant Sakura for an enjoyable Christmas dinner. Taka-san then surprised us all with gifts which we are all grateful for.



“Thoughts and Ideas”

Jing: I've gained a lot of knowledge and I'm excited about the future!

Kieran: I'm so impressed with how much technology has evolved!

Yui: I could know useful ways of thinking which I'd like to use starting from tomorrow!

Jeejee: I was so interested in Dr. Edahiro's lecture, especially when she assigned us to do System Thinking.



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Big Brain Field Trip

Is sustainability all good? Today, we started the day off with a thought-provoking lecture. After learning about backcasting and systems thinking, we found out about the 5 things that make a leader a leader. After that, we rode a bus to Toshiba Science Museum, eating onigiris from a lunch box (Bentou) on the way. We then had a lecture about the role of tech in our lives and social innovations. We also learned how the Maglev train Worked through observing the superconducting experiment and how the Toshiba company formed. A discussion about how the Toshiba inventions related to some of the 17 SDGs and what we wanted for the future technology-wise.



Other unique Findings?

Yuri: I learned that it is important to think about the use of renewable power for earth's future.

Emiri: I think Japanese technology is continuing to evolve.

Kyena: I've found that some of the world's first findings in technology were made by Toshiba

Jeremy: I have discovered many new technologies in development that may improve our lives greatly in the future.

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