

Wycliffe Pray for Japan

(Japan Earthquake and Tsunami Orphans' Fund)

You will all be aware of the devastating earthquake and Tsunami which hit the North East coast of Japan on 11 March 2011. Four months on, over 15,000 have died and a further 5,000 are missing presumed dead. 229 children have been orphaned and 1295 children have lost a parent. We are most grateful for your generous support so far.



Following this natural disaster, pupils at Wycliffe College established '**Wycliffe Pray for Japan**' with the aim of raising money to support the victims. The focus of our fundraising has been the **Iwate Learning Hope Fund which supports 92 orphans**, aged 3-18, with their education and welfare. A current Wycliffe parent comes from the Iwate area hence the reason for choosing this fund. This charity, which is run by the prefectural (county) council using its own resources, ensures that all donations go directly to the orphans. More details about this specific charity can be found on the following websites.

English: <http://www.pref.iwate.jp/view.rbz?of=1&ik=0&cd=32934>

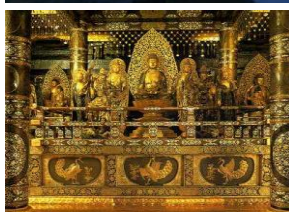
Japanese: <http://www.pref.iwate.jp/view.rbz?cd=32543>

If you would like to know more about this charity, support our events or make a donation, please do not hesitate to contact me satoko.suzui@wycliffe.co.uk

For information about the Iwate region (prefecture), please use this website:

Iwate prefecture/English: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Iwate_Prefecture

Japanese: <http://ja.wikipedia.org/wiki/%E5%B2%A9%E6%89%8B%E7%9C%8C>



Iwate prefecture is renowned in Japan for an abundance of nature and the historic monument and sites of Hiraizumi which recently achieved UNESCO World Heritage Status. The author of the widely read book 'Bushido', Inazo Nitobe, came from this area.