

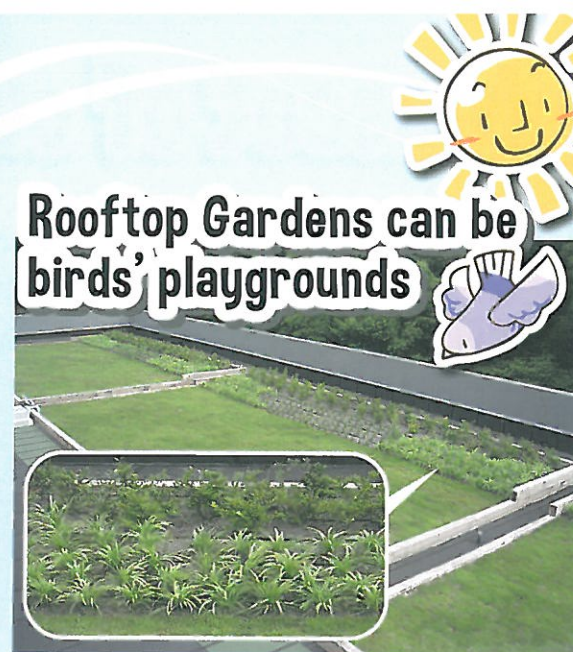
New Ikego Elementary School



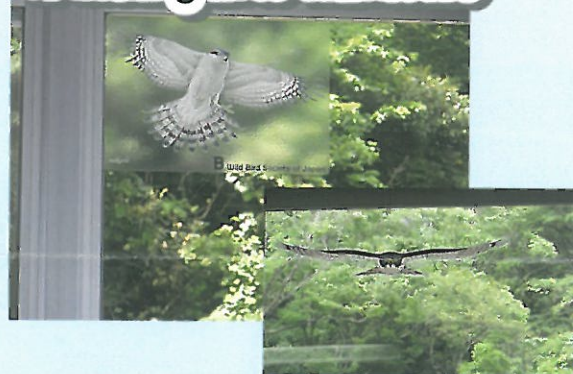
Ikego Elementary School was built by Government of Japan (GOJ). Opinions of residents and specialists were used in the construction design to protect Natural Resources. While in Japan, make a special memory by taking good care of the Ikego wildlife such as Goshawks and Fireflies.

South Kanto Defence Bureau
CFAY PWD Environmental

Supervision by Ohba Firefly Institute & Ikego Raptors Protection Conference
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Bird Window Stickers prevent birds from crashing into windows



Preserve protected moss: *Eucladium verticillatum*



Color of the school building blends with the surroundings

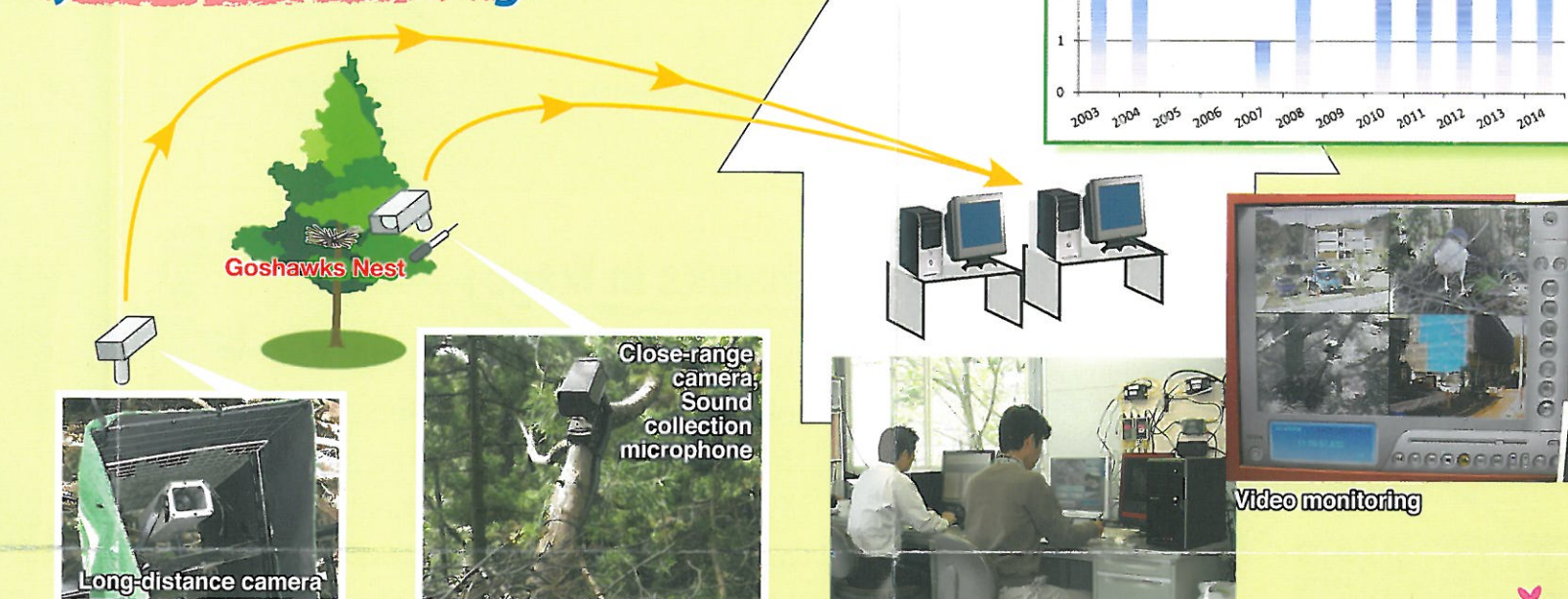


Efforts of Wildlife Protection



Concern for wildlife in the construction of Elementary School

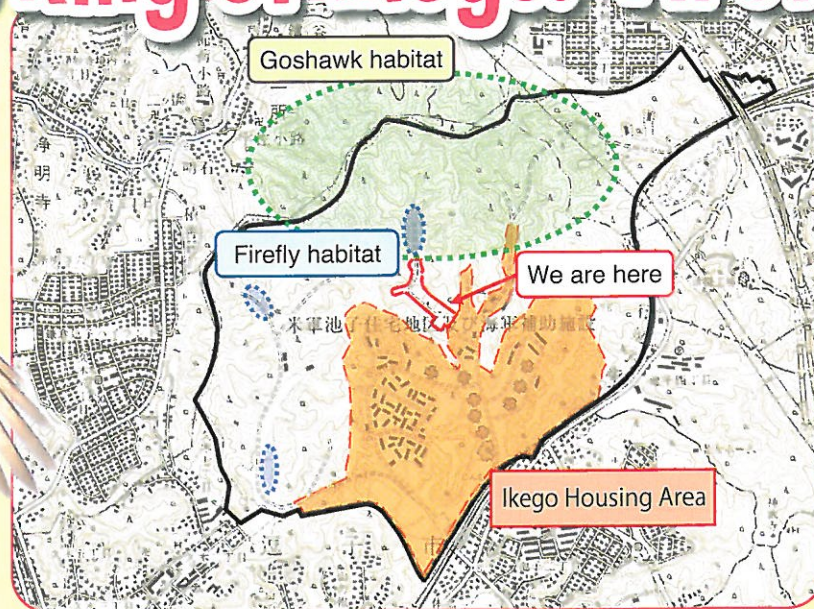
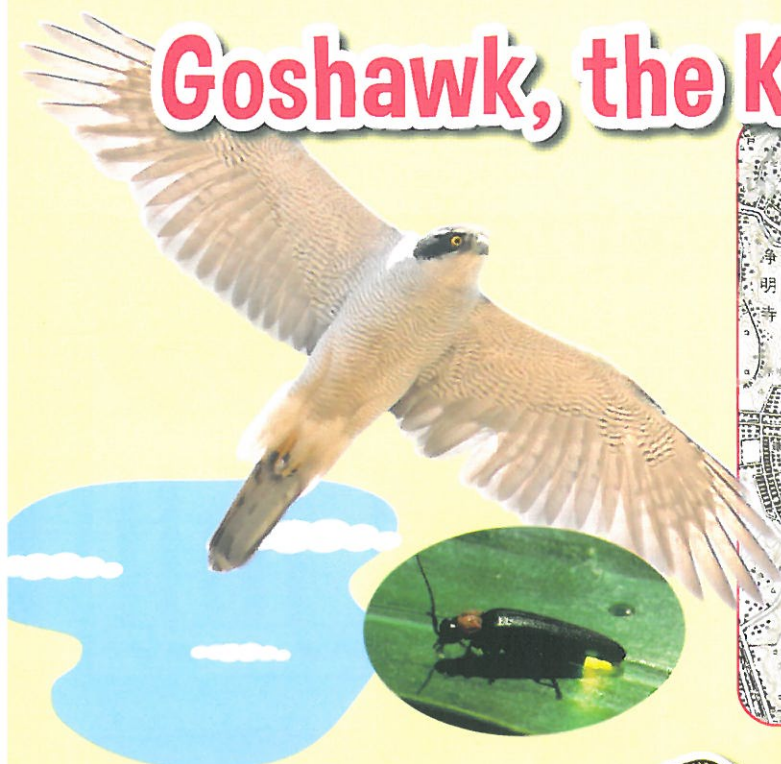
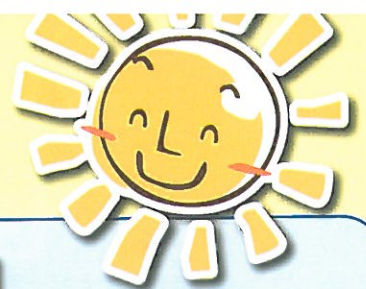
Confirm Goshawk breeding by video monitoring



Re-route Stream for Firefly Habitat and Captive Breeding



Goshawk, the King of Ikego! Firefly, the Mascot of our School



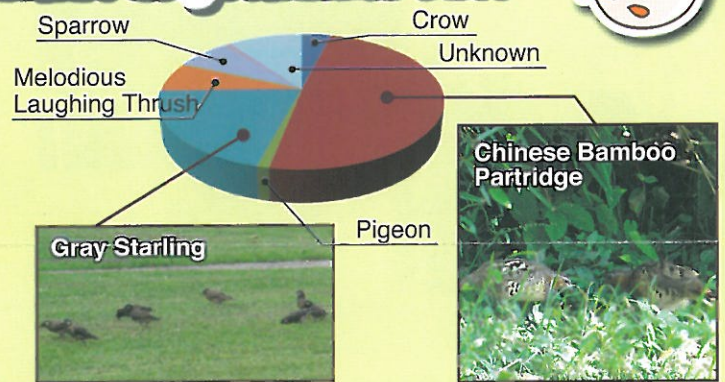
Life History of Genji-Firefly



Firefly habitat in Ikego Elementary School



What do goshawks eat?



Goshawks in Ikego



The goshawk is considered a top consumer in the ecosystem food chain. Their presence is considered an indicator of a healthy natural environment. Goshawk monitoring started in 2003 and since then 22 goshawk chicks have been confirmed.

Parental Care of Goshawk

Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

February	March	April	May	June	July	August
♂ Return from seasonal migration	♂ & ♀ Nest building	Confirmed 3 eggs	♀ Incubation	♂ Incubation	First feeding food	Feeding frenzy
					Feeding Chinese Bamboo Partridge	Just before the fledging
						Empty nest after fledging



Fireflies in Ikego

There are about 2,000 firefly species in the world but approximately 10 species are known to have an aquatic larval stage. All the other species are terrestrial at their various life stages. Six species of fireflies, including Japan's most prominent, the Genji-firefly (*Luciola cruciata*) and the Heike-firefly (*Luciola lateralis*), are observed in Ikego.



Firefly Viewing

You will see Genji-fireflies lighting up in June. Please do not use flashlight or flash photography. Fireflies communicate with each other through their own light signals. If there is another source of light, or a camera flash, the fireflies cannot communicate, and will not reproduce.

