

Japanese Newsletter 3 (May, 2020)

# KODOMO NO HI

## Children's Day - Boys' Day



こどものひ (Kodomo no hi) or Children's day is a celebration for both boys and girls on the **5th of May** each year. Traditionally, this day was celebrated as the Boy's Festival. Today, こどものひ (Kodomo no hi) is celebrated to wish all children happiness and health.

Families fly carp streamers from flagpoles outside their house. These carp streamers are called こいのぼり (koinobori). **Koinobori** traditionally symbolised the strength of males because carp are very strong swimmers.

Inside the house, children display a warrior's helmet or かぶと (kabuto) and warrior dolls called むしやにんぎょう (mushaningyo).

More information :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I2HTaX3P0wc>

Origami Koinobori Level 1 (easy) :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=12jaf6oP4ql>

Origami Koinobori Level 2 (okey) :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gq3NG4kAsdU>

Origami Koinobori Level 3 (challenging) :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7kBK-HCC-EU>

Koinobori Song :

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zhk5YMcobhA>

