VISITORS FROM FUKUSHIMA

Our Japanese studying students were fortunate to listen to a group of Japanese students from Adachi High School, Fukushima deliver a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation (in English) about Fukushima Prefecture and their positive development since the 2011 tsunami. All the students had an opportunity to exchange their thoughts and impressions of each other’s culture by engaging in an interesting and fun question and answer time. Finally, as a symbol of recovery, one of the Japanese students danced a very moving hula dance for our students. A Hawaiian theme park responsible for the economy of the rural town Iwaki in Fukushima was forced to close after the March 11 earthquake. Almost a year later, the hula girls returned and the Spa Resort Hawaiian’s return to business is regarded as a symbol of recovery in a sense that it can cheer up the local community and provide huge economic support. It was a wonderful afternoon and international friendships were quickly formed. We endeavour to keep in touch with these Japanese students via skype lessons in the future.