

## **Send-Off Lunch for 2024 MEXT (Monbu-Kagaku-Sho) Scholarship Participant**

On Thursday 28 March, 2024, Ambassador Matsubara had a send-off lunch with and congratulated Mr. Trent Gopaul from St. Joseph, Trinidad, one of the 2024 MEXT (Monbu-Kagaku-Shō) Scholarship Awardees at his official residence. During their meeting, they discussed the course that he will be pursuing, the University and areas of interest to be explored in Japan. Ambassador also offered him encouraging advice and useful information for his stay in Japan.

Mr. Trent Gopaul will be undertaking studies in the Medical Field by researching Alzheimer's Disease at Tohoku University.

At the lunch, representatives from the Ministry of Education, Mr. Edwin Ramasaran, Director of School Supervision, Ms. Angela Yatali, Curriculum Officer English from Curriculum Planning and Development Division and Ms. Brittany Pierre, Personal Secretary to Hon. Lisa Morris-Julian - Minister in the Ministry of Education, also gave congratulated Mr. Gopaul on his achievement of being awarded the MEXT Scholarship and gave advice on his course of study at Tohoku University, Japan.

The Government of Japan, through the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, also known as MEXT or Monbu-Kagaku-Shō, offers scholarships to foreign students who desire to study at Japanese universities as postgraduate / research students every academic year. Successful applicants receive round-trip airfare, exemption from school fees and a monthly allowance.

Please visit the Embassy of Japan Website for more information on the MEXT Scholarship Programme and our daily activities: [https://www.tt.emb-japan.go.jp/itprtop\\_en/index.html](https://www.tt.emb-japan.go.jp/itprtop_en/index.html)



Ambassador Matsubara and Mr. Trent Gopaul



From Left to Right: Mr. Edwin Ramasaran, Director of School Supervision, Ms. Brittany Pierre, Personal Secretary to Hon. Lisa Morris-Julian - Minister in the Ministry of Education, Mr. Trent Gopaul, Ambassador Matsubara, Mrs. Matsubara and Ms. Angela Yatali, Curriculum Officer English from Curriculum Planning and Development Division



Lunch in Progress



Guests discuss Japanese Art