

HALLOWEEN VISITORS, Thursday, October 22, 2009

Ten of the Exchange Students went with me to the Bunkyo Gakuen Kindergarten English classes on Monday. They were dressed in costumes provided by the English teacher, Megumi (May) Ueno. The kindergarten students were fascinated by the strange visitors. The Exchange Students were entertained by the little ones. Our students modeled English in activities of being interviewed and in helping direct actions in a game. Having our students there in the witch, wizard, vampire, pirate, super-hero, princess, and drama character costumes was much appreciated by May-sensei. She provided lunch and much praise for our students. She said she was sure this was the largest ES group that has participated in the Halloween visits. She remarked on how willing they were to interact with the kids. It was a great visit.



Halloween Visitors: Mai, Pheng, Danny, Virginia, Kao, Pana, Zoa, Eric, Shee and Jordan



Kindergarten students are wondering who has come to visit. Note they are holding back here, but that did not last long.

On Wednesday I visited three Bunkyo Gakuin High School English classes to talk about Halloween. Miki Shimada is the English teacher that invited me into her classes. The HS students were responsive and interested in Halloween—especially the trick-or-treat part. Vocabulary building was the point of the class. We worked on cross word puzzles and compared the Japanese words with the English words. The HS is a private girls' school. Students wear uniforms and look very professional, but like American students they can be silly and noisy. ☺

