

JET Send-Off Reception 2016

On July 15, 2016, a Send-Off Reception was held at the official residence of H.E. Mr. Masanori Nakano, Ambassador of Japan to Jamaica, for the newly selected 13 participants of the Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme who are leaving for Japan at the end of July and August. This year, 22 Jamaicans, including 9 participants who departed in April, are participating in JET in Japan. After arriving in Japan, they will commence their work as Assistant Language Teachers of English at elementary, junior high, and senior high schools.

Sen. the Hon. Ruel Reid, Minister of Education, Youth and Information, H.E. Claudia Barnes, Former Ambassador of Jamaica to Japan, Mrs. Sheena Jarrett, the Vice-President of JJETAA (Jamaican JET Alumni Association), among others attended the Reception to encourage the new JET participants. Ambassador Nakano told the new JET participants that he hoped that they would not only teach English but also expand the cultural exchanges between Japan and Jamaica at grass-root level as Good-Will Ambassadors. Representing new JET participants, Mr. McDonald expressed that they would like to make new friends in Japan, learn Japanese culture and share the experiences with others in their home country when they come back.

The Embassy of Japan sincerely wishes them success in their new endeavours in Japan.

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(left) A JET Participant greeting to Ambassador Nakano and Mrs. Nakano in Japanese
(right) Greetings by Sen. The Hon. Ruel Reid, Minister of Education, Youth and Information



(left) (From left) Ambassador Nakano, Sen. The Hon. Ruel Reid , Minister of Education, Youth and Information and Ms. Sheena Jarrett, Vice-President of JJETAA
(right) JET Participants with Sen. The Hon. Ruel Reid , Minister of Education, Youth and Information, Ambassador Nakano and Mrs. Nakano