Yusuhara a Home from Home: 12. Rising Community Spirit

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This past weekend, Sunday to be exact (June 20th) was an annual reminder for me of the impressively unique community spirit that is shown throughout Yusuhara. I am of course talking about the community event town cleaning. Something that still surprises me to this day is that people of all ages from young school children to the elderly are out in force around the town each one helping to clean and maintain the surrounding area. With everyone taking great pride in their community it takes little effort to restore the town to its ideal condition. A

great achievement!

Now why is something like this surprising to me? Well that's because as I mentioned, to me and my experience it's wholly unique to this town. Never before arriving here have I seen a coming together of local people to care for its town. That's not to say it doesn't happen in the UK, it does but just not own the same scale, nor the range of people involved. This knowledge of local pride will be an excellent piece of culture for me to take back with me.



Locals come out in force and clean throughout the town while helping each other. Hats off on the community spirit!