

Doshisha University

**2012 Report on the Individual Research Allowance
– Research Progress and Results**

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Research Topic	“Preschool debates in Japan: Between academic discourses, government policy, and local practice”	
Summary of Research Results	<p>Presentations:</p> <p>I have conducted pilot studies at my field sites, the results of which I have presented at both the Oxford Ethnography and Education Conference in September 2012 as well as at the American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in November 2012. These preliminary studies have helped to embed me with the local community and to determine the focus of my research project in FY2013.</p> <p>Publications:</p> <p>One book chapter “Preschools as ‘community’: The role of parents in care centers” has been submitted and will be included in an edited volume on educational anthropology, <i>Preschool Debates in Japan</i> (Shinji Sato and Yuki Imoto, editors), to be published later this year.</p>	