

- 538 Buddhism introduced from Paekche, Korea
- 588 Construction of the Hoko-ji (present Asuka-dera) temple begins
- 589 **Sui Dynasty unifies China**
- 592 Empress Suiko enthroned at the Toyura Palace, Asuka
- 593 Prince Shotoku oversees politics

- 603 Imperial palace moves to the Oharida Palace
- 604 Seventeen Article Constitution promulgated
- 606 Sakata-dera temple erected
- 607 Ono no imoko sent to Sui China as a delegate
- Construction of the Horyu-ji temple begins
- 618 **Tang Dynasty defeats Sui**
- 630 First delegation to Tang China sent
- 641 Construction of the Yamada-dera temple begins
- 645 Prince Nakano-O'e assassinates Soga no Iruka
- 646 Taika Reforms declared
- 663 United force of Japan and Paekche loses to the Tang army at Pek Chon Kang
- 670 First census register compiled
- 672 Emperor Temmu enthroned at the Asuka-Kiyomihara Palace
- 676 **Silla unifies the Korean Peninsula**
- 681 Compilation of the Ritsuryo legal code and of official historic chronicles starts
- 689 Kiyomihara Code put into effect
- 690 **Empress Zetienwuhou 則天武后 of Tang enthroned**
- 694 Fujiwara becomes the capital of Japan

- 701 Taiho Code put into effect
- 708 First coin in Japan, Wado Kaichin (also referred to as Wado Kaiho) issued
- Move to the Heijo Capital decided
- 710 Capital moves to Heijo
- 712 Kojiki [Records of Ancient Matters] completed;
- Emperor Xuansong 玄宗 of Tang enthroned**
- 720 Nihon Shoki [Chronicle of Japan] completed
- 724 Emperor Shomu enthroned
- 729 Prince Nagaya's uprising takes place
- 737 Smallpox epidemic breaks out; four brothers of the Fujiwara Family (Muchimaro, etc.) die
- 740 Fujiwara no Hirotsugu's rebellion takes place
- Capital moves to Kuni
- 741 Government orders the election of Provincial Temples
- 742 Shigaraki Palace erected
- 744 Capital moves to Naniwa
- 745 Capital returns to Heijo
- Hokke-ji temple erected (?)
- 752 Consecration of newly made colossal Buddha at Todai-ji temple held
- 754 Priest Ganjin arrives from Tang
- 757 Tachibana no Naramaro's uprising breaks out; Yoro Code put into effect; remodelling of the Heijo Palace
- 764 Fujiwara no Nakamaro's rebellion; production of one million miniature pagodas started
- 770 Priest Doko falls from power
- 773 Yobai Palace completed
- 780 **An Lushan's rebellion breaks out in Tang**
- 784 Capital moves to Nagaoka
- 794 Capital moves to Heian

- 806 Heijo Retired Emperor moves to the Heijo Palace
- 824 Heijo Retired Emperor died
- 864 Abandoned Heijo Palace reverts to rice paddies by this time

