



**SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**  
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**CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL**

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**A Word from Principal**

Dear Parents and Students,

After an eventful Easter break we warmly welcome you to return to school. This term we have seen some new students joined us from other language schools. With great delight, we have also met some new enthusiastic parents. I wish all students may find the school not only offers them the Chinese language and cultural knowledge but also the care loving environment in which they can share the experience with the peers in a more relaxed atmosphere.

During the school holiday you may have seen that our Prime Minister, Mr Kevin Rudd, has visited China and delivered his public speech in fluent Mandarin Chinese at Beijing University. The speech was highly received in China media and highly regarded in Australia. I have also watched the PM in the TV interview with Phoenix TV in which Mr. Rudd spoke the sophisticated Mandarin throughout. All these have displayed that a good command of a language may offer you significant edges in your career and significantly shorten the gap when you correlate with the people of your commanding language. As I have spoken to our students in last year presentation day, I think our students may and will have to do better than our Prime Minister as I envisage that standard on the command of a foreign language will be higher without too long as more and more people in Australia have chosen to study a community language. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents for the long standing support to our students and congratulate the students for the opportunities and their achievement. With the efforts of our students and our experienced and committed teachers, I believe the students will find the study at our school to be productive and rewarding.

We have some big tasks ahead. The start of the term will soon see some students participate the National Chinese Eisteddfod on 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of this month. This year we have around 40 students participating the event, out of them there are 21 students to contest the individual categories. Some students have done some preparation during the holiday season. Assistance to students will be provided by class teachers. Good luck to our participating students and parents. Another important event will be the half year examination and report. We will make endeavor to make the smooth delivery of the assessment. Please refer the attached school calendar for Term 2 and Term 3 program.

*“Code of Conduct for Teachers and School Management Staff”*

In recognizing the importance of the teachers’ performance in school’s language teaching the school management committee has initialized a draft “Code of Conduct for Teachers and School Management Staff”. This will help to facilitate and implement the teacher’s assessment program that I have mentioned in last newsletter and provide all school staff with the clear and precise guidelines. For parents who would like to comment I would like to hear from your regarding the attached draft.

**CCCA-CLS 2008 Semester 2 Calendar**

DATE	WK	TERM 2 EVENTS/TASKS
3/5	1	<b>School Term 2 Commences</b> Chinese Eisteddfod Competition Practice
10/5	2	Chinese Eisteddfod Competition Practice
17/5	3	Preparation of the Half Yearly Exam Papers Chinese Eisteddfod Competition Practice, <b>Class Open Day</b> - 9:00 ~ 9:45 am NSW Minister Award Nomination
24/5	4	Collection of Exam Papers for Printing Chinese Eisteddfod Competition (Non-native Mandarin speakers) NSW Minister Award Nomination Due
31/5	5	Chinese Eisteddfod Competition (Native Mandarin speakers)
7/6	6	
14/6	7	Half Yearly Oral Exam
21/6	8	Half Yearly Written Exam
28/6	9	Student Report Cards to student <b>End of the Term 2</b>
21/7		<b>NSW Public School Term 3 Commences</b>
DATE	WK	TERM 3 EVENTS/TASKS
26/7	1	Term 3 Commences Class Roll/Cleanliness Forms to Teachers
2/8	2	
9/8	3	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
16/8	4	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
23/8	5	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
30/8	6	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
6/9	7	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
13/9	8	Preparation of the School Mid-Autumn Festival
20/9	9	School Mid-Autumn Festival Performances 10:30am <b>Last Day of Term 3</b>

## 樱桃小溪中文学校教职人员操行规范(草案)

### CCCA-CLS "Code of Conduct for School Staff" 7/5/2008"

#### 内容 Content

热爱学生	Love Students with Heart
尊重家长	Listen and Respect Parents' Comments and Feedbacks
为人师表	Be Students' Role Models
教书育人	Educating and Cultivating Students
严谨求实	Down-to-the-Earth Attitude toward Language Teaching
诲人不倦	Teach Students with Enthusiasms and Patience
团结协作	Co-Operate with Other Teaches to Perform Team Work
开拓进取	Striving for Continuous Achievements and Innovations
廉洁从教	Honest and Clean in Carrying out Teaching Duties
爱岗敬业	Love and Display due Diligence to Teaching Career

#### **Congratulation to Our Long Serving Teacher, Ms Jenny Yang, for Her Outstanding Contribution to Our School and to Promot Chinese Language and Chinese Culture**



Ms Jenny Yang Was Receiving "Distinguished Chinese Language Education Award" from Deputy Consul General of PRC Ms Li Yanduan.



Ms Jenny Yang was congratulated by (l to r) Dr. Jonathan Xie, Ms Li Yanduan and Ms Jenny Lau

#### **The Minister's Awards 20008**

Our school has been invited by the NSW Community Languages Schools Board to nominate two students from our school to be considered for the "Minister's Awards for Excellence in Student Achievement"

The Awards honour the achievements of outstanding students from community languages schools. Nominated students who are not selected for a Minister's Award will be considered for Highly Commended, Commended or Merit Certificates.

The awards have two categories:

**Junior Category** Students who are between 5 years and 12 years on 1 August 2008 are eligible for an award in the Junior Category.

**Senior Category** Students who are between 13 years and 18 years on 1 August 2008 are eligible for an award in the Senior Category.

**Selection Criteria.** The NSW Community Languages Schools Board determines Awards by assessing nominations for:

- Accomplishment in language achievement and proficiency
- Appreciation of cultural background and demonstration of intercultural understanding
- Contribution to the school community
- Leadership in the community

In order to determine the nominations through a fair, transparent and appropriate process our school has informed teachers, students and parents about the awards. The school committee will determine a candidate for each category based on the nomination by the class. Interested students and parents please indicate to your class teachers about your interest no later than the 17<sup>th</sup> of May.

#### **2008Beijing-Shandong-Shenzhen Summer Camp**

Australian Chinese Language School Association is organizing a group to attend the summer camp from 11/7/08 to 24/7/08 organized by State Council Overseas Affaire Office, Beijing Overseas Affair Office and Shandong Overseas Affaire Office. The stay in Beijing and Shandong will be partially subsidized and the stay in Shenzhen will be fully funded by PRC. The participating students will have to pay the international travel expenses and partial cost in Beijing and Shandong. At this stage, it is estimated the cost will be in the vicinity of A\$2100. It is expected the final leg in Shenzhen will attract about 4000 overseas students. The highlight of the programs are briefed as follows, interested parents please contact your class teachers or myself for more details.

#### **2008 Summer Camp Program**

- 11/7 Arrive in Beijing
- 12/7 Camp starts, visiting sister school, observing small rocket launching, watching movie
- 13/7 Visiting Great Wall of China, Ming tombs, summer palace, Olympic "Bird Nest" and "Water Cube"
- 14/7 People's Great Hall, Tian An Men Square, Hutong tour, leave for dinner in Shandong
- 15/7 Chinese art course
- 16/7 Chinese culture seminar, farm tour
- 17/7 Tour in Jinan
- 18/7 Visit, worship and study tour in Confucius hometown
- 19/7 Visit Tai Mountain learning Tai culture
- 20/7 to Shenzhen
- 21/7 Visit Splendid China and Ethnic villages
- 22/7 Visit Shenzhen city and Window of the World
- 23/7 Shenzhen Ocean World, park etc
- 24/7 Leave for Sydney