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## *Yu Miao Newsletter*

Feb. 4, 2010

Dear Parents,

Gong Xi Gong Xi (恭喜恭喜)! All the best in the Year of the TIGER (虎年)! I wish everyone will have the energy of a tiger, with the courage and power to take control of your life and live up to the fullest.

During the Chinese New Year, we usually wear new clothes, decorate the house with poems on pieces of red papers, and give children "lucky money" in red packets. If you can, try your best to continue this culture for your child. Back in the olden days, we celebrate the Chinese New Year for 15 days. During these two weeks everyone goes out to visit relatives and friends. They pay respect to seniors, bring along candies, fruits, gifts and lucky money for children. This year the New Year day is Feb. 14 (Sun.) which just happens to be the Valentine's Day. We then round up our New Year with a lantern day (the 15<sup>th</sup> day) when people go out to see lanterns and every family eats round dumplings (元宵/湯圓).



To welcome our Chinese New Year, we are going to have our Pot Luck Party on **Feb., 12 (Fri.)**. Again we will have the **Parents' Meeting at 9 am** in the morning and the **Pot Luck Party at 11 am**. All parents and grandparents are invited, including those in the 2-day or 3-day program. We will have Lion dance, Chinese Drum, Chinese Calligraphy, etc. and our children are going to perform again. If you want to help us at the party, please contact Virginia (P1 Jade's mom) for more information. Please also bring a dish to school even if you can't come. Our school will provide fried rice, and noodles as usual. Please bring different dishes according to your last name:

**M-W** Main Course    **A-G** Side dish    **H-J** Dessert    **L** - Juice

While **Teacher Wendy is on her maternity leave** (late Feb - Jun), a new Teacher will substitute at P2.

Last but not least is the **donation to Haiti**, our children did a good job to show their compassion, charity and love. I was so touched when I saw the children bringing along their piggy banks and putting the coins one by one to the donation box. Thanks also go to Ryan (P1 Malia's Dad), Mei (P2 Rico's mom) and Virginia (P1 Jade's mom) to help counting the money. A total of \$78.13 is collected and the school will round up to \$100 and send to Mercy Corps to help the children there. A formal receipt will be posted at the Parents' notice board in due course.

Again, I wish you a very lively Year of the Tiger !

Best Regards,

*Edith*  
Yu Miao Administrator



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We work together to build a better school, your input and comment are always welcome.

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